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Jayson Perez
Commission Secretary

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

AGENDA

April 8, 2025, 6:00 PM
1415 Santa Anita Avenue, South El Monte, CA 91733

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MEETINGS

The Community Services Commission holds regular meetings on the second Tuesday of every month. Regular meetings start at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 1415 Santa Anita Avenue, South El Monte, California.

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1. ROLL CALL

Commissioners: Alacio, Anguiano, Becerra, Diaz, Nguyen, Vasquez,
and Vice Chair Silva

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Anguiano

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

Speakers may provide public comments on any matter within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Community Services Commission, including items on the agenda. Each speaker may speak up to five minutes. Unless a majority of the Community Services Commission objects, the Chair may provide speakers more or less time to speak. All comments or queries shall be addressed to the Commission as a body and not to any specific member thereof. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(2), the Ralph M. Brown Act, no action or discussion by the Commission shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except to briefly provide information, ask for clarification, provide direction to staff, or schedule a matter for a future meeting.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

Items on the consent calendar are considered to be routine and customary and are enacted by a single motion with the exception of items previously removed by a member of the Community Services Commission during “Approval of the Agenda” for individual consideration. Any items removed shall be individually considered immediately after taking action on the Consent Calendar.

**6a. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF
MARCH 11, 2025**

Staff is requesting approval of Minutes for the March 11, 2025, Regular Community Services Commission meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff is requesting approval of Minutes for the March 11, 2025, Regular Community Services Commission meeting.

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7a. CONTINUED FROM THE MARCH 11, 2025, REGULAR COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING - SELECTION OF CHAIR

The Community Services Commission will nominate and select the Chair for the term commencing on January 28, 2025, through December 31, 2025.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends the Commission nominate and select Chair for the term commencing on January 28, 2025, through December 31, 2025.

7b. CONTINUED FROM THE MARCH 11, 2025 REGULAR COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING - COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION INPUT TO ENHANCE UPCOMING CITY SPECIAL EVENTS

The 2025 Special Events Calendar offers an opportunity for the Community Services Commission to take a more active role in the planning of community events and promote awareness in all matters pertaining to the City's recreation programs, senior services, and special events.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends the Commission discuss the engagement opportunities at upcoming city events and provide recommendations to staff to enhance each respective event.

7c. 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

10a. Vice Chair Silva

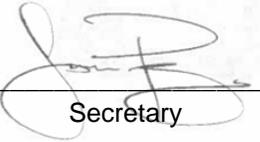
1. Consideration to implement a Community Walking Group.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Discussion and/or Action.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Tuesday, May 13, 2025, 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 on this 3rd day of April 2025.



Secretary



Commission Agenda Report

Agenda Item No. 6.a.

DATE: April 8, 2025

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 MARCH 11, 2025

SUMMARY: Staff is requesting approval of Minutes for March 11, 2025, Regular Community Services Commission meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff is requesting approval of Minutes for the March 11, 2025, Regular Community Services Commission meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT:

DISCUSSION:

ATTACHMENT(S):

A. DRAFT March 11, 2025 Minutes

CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE
REGULAR COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING -MINUTES

Tuesday, March 11, 2025 - 6:00 pm
1415 Santa Anita Avenue, South El Monte, California 91733

Mr. Perez called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

1. ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Commissioner(s): Becerra, Nguyen, Silva, and Vasquez

ABSENT: Commissioner(s): Anguiano

STAFF PRESENT: Jayson Perez, Community Services Manager, Elizabethte Miranda, Administrative Assistant I, and Noelia Saucedo, Senior Recreation Leader

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Vasquez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PRESENTATION – None.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Becerra, second by Commissioner Nguyen to approve the agenda. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Becerra, Nguyen, Silva, and Vasquez

NAYS: Commissioner(s): None

ABSENT: Commissioner(s): Anguiano

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Perez opened public comment; there being none, Mr. Perez closed public comment.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

6a. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING OF NOVEMBER 5, 2024

A motion was made by Commissioner Vasquez, Seconded by Commissioner Becerra to approve the consent calendar. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Becerra, Nguyen, Silva, and Vasquez

NAYS: Commissioner(s): None

ABSENT: Commissioner(s): Anguiano

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7a. SELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

A motion was made by Commissioner Nguyen, seconded by Commissioner Becera to continue the selection of Chair for the next meeting in April. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Beccera, Nguyen, Silva, and Vasquez
NAYS: Commissioner(s): None
ABSENT: Commissioner(s): Anguiano

A motion was made by Commissioner Becerra to nominate Commissioner Silva as Vice Chair, seconded by Commissioner Vasquez. Motion passed 4-0-1, by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Beccera, Nguyen, Silva, and Vasquez
NAYS: Commissioner(s): None
ABSENT: Commissioner(s): Anguiano

7b. COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION INPUT TO ENHANCE UPCOMING CITY SPECIAL EVENTS

Mr. Perez presented the Community Services Commission Board with the 2025 Special Events Calendar.

Mr. Perez presented on the monthly Community Bike Rides events and summarized the March Bike Ride held on Saturday, March 8, 2025. Commissioner Becerra suggested to advertise that the City offers free E-bikes rentals for the community's use during the event. Mr. Perez replied that the event flyer can be updated with the Commission's request.

Mr. Perez presented on the upcoming Little Mr. and Miss South El Monte Baby Pageant scheduled on Saturday, March 15, 2025. He invited the Commissioners to attend and participate in the event by judging the contest.

Mr. Perez presented the upcoming Easter Eggstravaganza scheduled on Saturday, April 19, 2025 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Shively Park.

Mr. Perez presented on the upcoming Night Market scheduled on Thursday, April 3, 2025, from 6:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Mr. Perez presented on the upcoming National Day of Prayer Breakfast scheduled on May 1, 2025 that will take place in at the South El Monte Community Center.

7c. FLAGS OF VALOR & MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY EVENTS

Mr. Perez presented on the upcoming Flags of Valor and Memorial Day Ceremony events scheduled on May 19, 2025 – May 26, 2025.

7d. COMMUNITY SERVICES MONTHLY INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Mr. Perez provided the Community Services report for the month of February.

8. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS, INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS

Commissioner Vasquez stated that she volunteered as a coach for the Co-Ed Youth Basketball League.

Commissioner Becerra, nothing to report.

Vice Chair Silva, nothing to report.

Commissioner Nguyen, nothing to report.

9. CORRESPONDENCE – None.

10. COMMISSIONERS' AGENDA – None.

11. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:22 p.m. Mr. Perez adjourned the meeting to a regular Community Services Commission meeting on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Jayson Perez, Community Services Manager

Denise Silva, Vice Chair

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Commission Agenda Report

Agenda Item No. 7.a.

DATE: April 8, 2025

TO: Honorable Chair and Members of the Community Services Commission

FROM: Jayson Perez, Community Services Manager

SUBJECT: CONTINUED FROM THE MARCH 11, 2025, REGULAR COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING - SELECTION OF CHAIR

SUMMARY: The Community Services Commission will nominate and select the Chair for the term commencing on January 28, 2025, through December 31, 2025.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends the Commission nominate and select Chair for the term commencing on January 28, 2025, through December 31, 2025.

FISCAL IMPACT:

DISCUSSION:

ATTACHMENT(S): None.



Commission Agenda Report

Agenda Item No. 7.b.

DATE: April 8, 2025

TO: Honorable Chair and Members of the Community Services Commission

FROM: Jayson Perez, Community Services Manager

SUBJECT: CONTINUED FROM THE MARCH 11, 2025, REGULAR COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING - COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION INPUT TO ENHANCE UPCOMING CITY SPECIAL EVENTS

SUMMARY: The 2025 Special Events Calendar offers an opportunity for the Community Services Commission to take a more active role in the planning of community events and promote awareness in all matters pertaining to the City's recreation programs, senior services, and special events.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends the Commission discuss the engagement opportunities at upcoming city events and provide recommendations to staff to enhance each respective event.

FISCAL IMPACT:

DISCUSSION: The upcoming special events that offer a great opportunity for the Community Services Commission to engage with the community include:

- Community Bike Rides
- Easter Eggstravaganza
- Cinco De Mayo Night Market
- National Day of Prayer
- Spring Career & Resource Fair
- Skate Contest

By providing valuable input and participating in these events, the Community Services Commission can educate residents on the commission's mission and initiatives and help create meaningful experiences that reflect the diverse needs and interests of our residents.

Community Bike Rides

The monthly Community Bike Ride is a family-friendly event designed to promote active living, sustainability, and community engagement. Open to riders of all skill levels, the event offers a safe and scenic route through the city, encouraging residents to explore local neighborhoods, parks, and bike-friendly infrastructure. The Community Bike Rides take place the first Saturday of every month from March – October.

Easter Eggstravaganza

The Easter Eggstravaganza, scheduled on Saturday, April 19, 2025, is a festive community event filled with family-friendly activities to celebrate the Easter season. Featuring a complimentary pancake breakfast, exciting egg hunts, inflatables, petting zoo, balloon artist, and photo opportunities with the Peter Cottontail, this event brings joy to children and families of all ages. This event has been relocated to Dean L. Shively Park due to increased popularity.

Spring Career and Resource Fair

The Spring Career and Resource Fair, scheduled on Wednesday, April 23, 2025, is an informative event filled with a variety of employers from around the region. The event features opportunities to find a full-time or part-time employment and resume critique service.

Cinco De Mayo Night Market

The Cinco De Mayo Night Market, scheduled on Thursday, May 1, 2025, is a vibrant community event that brings together local vendors, artisans, and food trucks for an evening of shopping, entertainment, and cultural experiences. Featuring live music, boxing show, delicious cuisine, handcrafted goods, and interactive activities, the market creates a lively atmosphere for residents to explore and support small businesses.

National Day of Prayer Breakfast

The National Day of Prayer Breakfast, scheduled on Thursday, May 1, 2025, is an annual observance held on the first Thursday of May to encourage the nation to pray. The event features a complimentary breakfast and prayers by faith leaders, City officials, and community members.

Skate Contest

The Skate Contest, scheduled on Saturday, May 10, 2025, is an exciting community event that showcases the skills and creativity of local skateboarders. Open to riders of all ages and skill levels, the competition features various categories, including best trick, highest air, and freestyle runs. Participants have the chance to win prizes while displaying their talent in a fun and supportive environment.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- A. UPDATED City of South El Monte 2025 Special Events Calendar

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City of South El Monte 2025 Special Events Calendar

Date	Day	Special Event	Location	Time
First Saturday of the month between March and October <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Special Dates: March 8th, July 12th and September 13th 	Saturday	Community Bike Rides	Community Center	Meeting Time: 8:30 a.m. Departure: 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
January 29, 2025	Wednesday	Chinese New Year Luncheon	Senior Center	10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
February 12, 2025	Wednesday	Valentine's Day Luncheon	Senior Center	11:15 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
March 15, 2025	Saturday	Baby Pageant	Community Center	10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
March 17, 2025	Monday	St. Patrick's Day Luncheon	Senior Center	11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
April 3, 2025	Thursday	April Night Market	Kruse Property	6:00p.m. to 9:30p.m.
April 16, 2025	Wednesday	Easter Luncheon	Senior Center	11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
April 19, 2025	Saturday	Easter Pancake Breakfast	Shively Park	10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
April 23, 2025	Wednesday	Spring Career and Resource Fair	Community Center	9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
April 30, 2025	Wednesday	Volunteer Appreciation Dinner	Senior Center	5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
May 1, 2025	Thursday	National Day of Prayer	Community Center	10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
May 1, 2025	Thursday	Cinco De Mayo Night Market	Kruse Property	6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
May 5, 2025	Monday	Cinco De Mayo Luncheon	Senior Center	10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
May 7, 2025	Wednesday	Mother's Day Luncheon	Senior Center	10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
May 10, 2025	Saturday	Skate Contest	Community Center	10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
May 26, 2025	Monday	Memorial Day Ceremony	City Hall Front Lawn	11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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June 11, 2025	Wednesday	Father's Day Luncheon	Senior Center	10:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
June 12, 2025	Thursday	1 st Summer Night Market	Kruse Property	6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
June 19, 2025	Thursday	1 st Movie in the Park	Mary Van Dyke Park	7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
June 26, 2025	Thursday	2 nd Summer Night Market	Kruse Property	6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
July 2, 2025	Wednesday	Fourth of July Luncheon	Senior Center	11:15 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
July 3, 2025	Thursday	Firework Festival	SEMHS	6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
July 4, 2025	Friday	Fourth of July Festival	New Temple Park	2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
July 17, 2025	Thursday	3 rd Summer Night Market Concert	Kruse Property	6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
July 23, 2025	Wednesday	City's Anniversary Luncheon	Senior Center	11:15 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
July 24, 2025	Thursday	2 nd Movie in the Park	Mary Van Dyke Park	7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
July 31, 2025	Thursday	4 th Summer Night Market Concert City Anniversary Celebration	Kruse Property	6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
August 7, 2025	Thursday	National Night Out & 3 rd Movie in the Park	Mary Van Dyke Park	NNO 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Movie: 8:00 p.m.- 9:30 p.m.
August 14, 2025	Thursday	5 th Summer Night Market Concert	Kruse Property	6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
August 20, 2025	Wednesday	Senior Prom	Senior Center	5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
August 28, 2025	Thursday	6 th Summer Night Market Concert	Kruse Property	6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
September 3, 2025	Wednesday	Grandparent's Day Luncheon	Senior Center	8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
September 11, 2025	Thursday	Night Market / Fire Station Appreciation Day	Kruse Property	6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
September 11, 2025	Thursday	9/11 Memorial Ceremony	Community Center Gym	11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

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September 15, 2025	Monday	Mexican Independence Day Luncheon	Senior Center	10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
October 2, 2025	Thursday	Night Market	Kruse Property	6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
October 16, 2025	Thursday	Walk to End Domestic Violence	City Hall Front Lawn	6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
October 23, 2025	Thursday	Harvard Day Academy	Community Center	9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
October 29, 2025	Wednesday	Halloween Luncheon	Senior Center	10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
October 31, 2025	Friday	Harvest Festival	City Hall Front Lawn	6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
November 10, 2025	Wednesday	Veterans Day Luncheon	City Hall Front Lawn	11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
November 11, 2025	Tuesday	Veterans Day Ceremony	City Hall Front Lawn	11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
November 22, 2025	Saturday	Turkey Dash 5k and 1k Trot	City Hall Front Lawn	8:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.
November 24, 2025	Monday	Thanksgiving Day Luncheon	Senior Center	11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
November 25, 2025	Tuesday	Thanksgiving Turkey Distribution Drive thru	Community Center Parking Lot	10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
December 4, 2025	Thursday	Tree Lighting Ceremony	City Hall Front Lawn	6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
December 13, 2025	Saturday	Christmas Wish Toy Giveaway	Community Center	11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
December 15 th -17 th	M/T/W	Santa Coming to Town	Around City	6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
December 22, 2025	Monday	Christmas Luncheon	Senior Center	10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
December 29, 2025	Monday	New Year's Day Luncheon	Senior Center	11:15 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Countdown at 1:00p.m.



Commission Agenda Report

Agenda Item No. 7.c.

DATE: April 8, 2025

TO: Honorable Chair and Members of the Community Services Commission

FROM: Jayson Perez, Community Services Manager

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY SERVICES MONTHLY REPORT

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.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Tiny Tots

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 children the skills needed to start Preschool and Kindergarten with dedicated time for play and creativity. Classes are offered Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12:20 p.m.

After School Program

The Division offers 3 after school program for participants attending the local schools in the City. The Programs provide homework assistance, enrichment crafts, and sport activities Monday - Friday from normally scheduled dismissal time to 5:30 p.m. The programs are as follows:

- New Temple Park After School Program
- Mini Center After School Program
- Community Center After School Program

Recreation Classes

Recreation Classes are held every month at the Community Center. Please find below a list of the recreation classes and details for the last month.

- **March Recreation Classes**
 - Class: DIY Tote Bag
 - Day & Time: Wednesday, March 5, 2025 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

- Class: Paint & Sip
 - Day & Time: Wednesday, March 12, 2025 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- Class: Stained Glass Art
 - Day & Time: Wednesday, March 26, 2025 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Little Mr. & Miss South El Monte Baby Pageant

On Saturday, March 15, 2025, the City hosted its annual Mr. and Miss Little South El Monte Baby Pageant at the Community Center. Participants from the Community Services Commission and the Beauty Pageant from the South El Monte Chambers assisted with judging adorable participants. Winners from each category will be featured in April's newsletter.

T-Ball League

T-ball Opening Day was held on Saturday, March 29, 2025. A total of ten teams were introduced by their head coaches and presented to all the attendees. Players had the opportunity to pitch the ball to the City Councilmembers present. Practices are currently going on at Shively Park and games are being played at Mary Van Dyke Park.

Aquatic Programming

Aquatic programming is scheduled to begin on May 7th with Senior Water Aerobics and Lap Swim. Full aquatic programming is scheduled to open in early June. Additionally, one of our staff is in the process of being accredited to train and certify lifeguard recruits.

Monthly Themed Newsletter

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.

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.

Upcoming Events

- Easter Eggstravaganza
- Spring Resource and Career Fair
- National Day of Prayer
- Cinco De Mayo Night Market
- May Bike Ride

Facility Reservations

- Montebello Brewers
- South El Monte Veterans Baseball Team
- South El Monte/El Monte Little League

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 programing, elderly individuals can engage in social interactions with peers, converse over current events, exchange stories, and maintain the strength of their minds and bodies.

Monthly Craft Class:

Each month seniors gather to create a seasonal craft inspired by the season or a holiday. For the month of March seniors created a decorative garland.

Free Haircuts:

On Wednesday, March 19, 2025, over 27 participants received a free haircut from a local barbershop, "Los Barber Bros."



St. Patrick's Day Luncheon:

The division celebrated their annual St. Patrick's Day luncheon on Monday, March 17, 2025, featuring entertainment by Dean L. Shively Band and Dance Team, scavenger hunt a fresh meal and the opportunity to win raffles.



Spring Social Dance:

The Division celebrated the commencement of spring on Wednesday, March 26, 2025, featuring entertainment by DJ and shaved ice, sponsored by Pastor Charlie and the South El Monte Community Outreach Church.

Technology 101:

Technology 101 class is designed to help seniors ages 55+ to better understand the usage of cellphones, laptops, tablets, etc. This month, the class focused on teaching seniors the basics of mobile applications.

March Birthday Social:

On Friday, March 28th seniors gathered to commemorate March birthdays with a delicious cake and enjoy an hour of dancing.

Senior Excursion- San Antonio Winery:

On Monday, March 31, 2025, 54 participated in an excursion to the Los Angeles San Antonio Winery where seniors toured the facility with the inclusion of taste testing their selection of wine and enjoyed a delicious brunch.

Program Number Stats for March 2025

Category	Duplicated
Classes/Workshops	225
Fitness/Exercise	760
Nutrition	3900
Recreation/Entertainment	567
Socializing	795
Special Groups	452
Volunteers	173
Total Event Signings	6872

Senior Nutrition Programs

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 February, the Congregate meals site served more than **3900** meals to senior participants, while the Home-Delivered program provided **355** meals.

Staff Meetings:

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

- A Nutritional Q&A was held with CNS Dietician Joya Melissa on Tuesday, March 11, 2025.

Senior Center Clubs and Facility Reservations

- **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.

March Screening / Informational Health Presentations

PRESENTER	DATE	TIME	TOPIC
MAO Foundation	Tuesday, March 4	10AM—11AM	Cal Fresh Presentation
Active SGV	Thursday, March 6	10AM—11AM	Merced Ave Green Way Project Presentation
Human Services Association	Thursday, March 6	9AM—1PM	Care Management Services Info. Booth
Allied Pacific	Thursday, March 13	10AM—11AM	Glaucoma Health Education Presentation
LA Metro	Thursday, March 20	10AM—11AM	Metro Micro Information Booth
Herald Christian Health Center	Thursday, March 20	9AM—1PM	Care Management Services Info. Booth
Valley View Post Acute	Thursday, March 27	10AM—11AM	Information Booth

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.

MARCH 2025						
Trip Purpose	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Total
Excursion	0	0	0	0		0
Medical	20	20	23	22		85
Nutrition	75	57	55	58		245
Personal	2	3	1	1		7
School	115	104	116	115		450
Senior Center	18	13	21	15		67
Shopping	0	2	0	0		2
Work	2	1	8	0		11
Total for period	232	200	224	211		867

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends Community Services Commissioners receive and file the Community Services Department report.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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

ATTACHMENT(S):

- A. Community Bike Rides Flyer
- B. Easter Eggstravaganza Flyer
- C. Spring Career and Resource Fair Flyer
- D. Aquatic Center Spring Programs Flyer
- E. National Day of Prayer

ATTACHMENT A



CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT



COMMUNITY BIKE RIDES 2025

SATURDAYS

MARCH 8
APRIL 5
MAY 3

JUNE 7
JULY 12
AUGUST 2

SEPT. 6
OCT. 4

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 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!

Electric bikes are available for public use on a first-come, first-served basis.



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EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA

FREE BREAKFAST SERVED UNTIL 11:30 AM
PHOTO BOOTH WITH PETER COTTONTAIL

INFLATABLES - BALLOON ARTIST - PETTING ZOO
EGG HUNT FOR AGES 1-10



SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 2025
10 AM - 1 PM

Dean L. Shively Park
1300 Lerma Rd. South El Monte, CA 91733

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ATTACHMENT C

CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

SPRING CAREER & RESOURCE FAIR

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2025
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

SOUTH EL MONTE COMMUNITY CENTER
1530 CENTRAL AVE. SOUTH EL MONTE, CA 91733

Meet with a variety of employers from around the region. Find full-time or part-time employment. Land your first job or a post-retirement job. Step into a career you will love or that will help you climb the corporate ladder. Resume critique service available on-site.



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of economic
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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



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South El Monte Aquatic Center Spring Programs

1500 Central Ave. South El Monte



STARTING WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 2025

Senior Water Aerobics (Ages 55+)

FREE!

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays | 9:30 AM - 10:15 AM

Begin your day with a fun and energizing class for active seniors. The program strengthens and tones the body from head to toe using the natural resistance of water and offers a safe way to improve muscle strength, flexibility, and balance without impacting joints or risk of injury.

Lap Swim (Ages 14+)

\$1.00 per participant

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays | 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Lap swim provides a full-body workout that targets the core, arms, back and legs while allowing swimmers to work at their own pace.



***PROGRAM SCHEDULE AND DETAILS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.**

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CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

National Day of Prayer Breakfast



**THURSDAY, MAY 1ST
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

PROGRAM BEGINS PROMPTLY AT 11:00 AM

**SOUTH EL MONTE COMMUNITY CENTER
1530 CENTRAL AVE. SOUTH EL MONTE**



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