

The Arcadia Hot Sheet

October 2024

Highlighting News and Events from Around Town

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Arcadia Community Survey Results are In!

In Spring 2024, Arcadia conducted its first community-wide survey to gather valuable feedback from residents.

Administered by Polco, the National Community Survey is designed to collect statistically valid insights on community livability. The survey included questions across multiple areas such as the Economy, Mobility, Community Design, Utilities, Safety, Natural Environment, Parks and Recreation, Health and Wellness, and Education, Arts, and Culture. A representative sample of 6,000 Arcadia households received the invitation by mail in English, Spanish, and Simplified Chinese, resulting in participation from 529 households. The data, analyzed by Polco, allows Arcadia to compare its services and offerings with 45 communities across California and over 500 nationwide.

Residents Give High Ratings to Key Services in Arcadia

The survey results show Arcadia performing exceedingly well in the areas of K-12 education and available shopping opportunities, while also highlighting potential areas for improvement, like housing affordability and the availability of walking paths and trails.

Regarding City services, residents positively reported feeling safe in the community and gave high ratings to safety services, which include Fire, Ambulance/EMS, and Police Services. Survey respondents also noted the high quality of Street Repair in Arcadia, which is evidenced by the level of resources and effort invested into the City's roadway network.

529 HOUSEHOLDS PARTICIPATED IN THE ARCADIA COMMUNITY SURVEY

K-12 Education
Shopping Opportunities

MUCH HIGHER
than Benchmark

Street Repair
Ease of Travel by Public
Transportation
Overall Image or Reputation
Overall Opportunities for
Education, Culture, and the Arts

HIGHER
than Benchmark

Arcadia's efforts to keep the community well-managed were recognized, with 84% of respondents giving a favorable rating for the City's overall image and reputation, surpassing national benchmarks. Additionally, the City's work to provide translation services for non-English speakers was noted, with the translation of print and digital materials rated highly.

The survey provides valuable insights into resident satisfaction with City services and the overall quality of life in Arcadia. In summary, Arcadia offers a high standard of living, with several key service areas outperforming national averages. These findings will help the City allocate resources to enhance the community's well-being in the areas that matter most to the residents.

To view the full survey results, visit www.ArcadiaCA.gov/CommunitySurvey.



WE'RE GOING DIGITAL!

Request a printed 2025 Calendar!

Requests must be made by calling (626) 574-5434 or submitting a form at www.ArcadiaCA.gov/2025Calendar.



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SMOKE ALARMS

Make Them WORK For You!™



FIRE
PREVENTION
WEEK™

Fire Prevention Week | October 6 - 12, 2024

Every year, the Arcadia Fire Department brings focus to life safety by proclaiming the second week of October as Fire Prevention Week. This year's theme of "SMOKE ALARMS: Make Them Work For You!" serves as a reminder about the importance of having working smoke alarms in your home.

According to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), smoke alarms reduce the risk of dying in a home fire by more than 54%. However, approximately three out of five fire deaths occur in homes with either no smoke alarms or nonworking smoke alarms. Here are some smoke alarm safety tips that you and your family can start implementing today!

- Install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each separate sleeping area (like a hallway), and on each level (including the basement) of the home.
- Make sure smoke alarms meet the needs of all family members, including those with sensory or physical disabilities.
- Test smoke alarms at least once a month by pushing the test button.
- Replace all smoke alarms when they reach 10 years in age.

**Get
Ready to
ShakeOut.**

October 17, 2024



Register: ShakeOut.org

Millions of people worldwide will practice how to Drop, Cover, and Hold On, at 10:17 a.m., on October 17, during the Great ShakeOut Earthquake Drill. This means that wherever you are during that moment – at home, at work, at school, anywhere – you should "Drop, Cover and Hold" as if there were a major earthquake occurring at that very moment and stay in that position for at least 60 seconds.

Participating is a great way for your family or organization to be prepared to survive and recover quickly from big earthquakes – wherever you live, work, or travel.

Visit EarthquakeCountry.org for a step-by-step guide for staying safe before, during, and after an earthquake.

PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Preservation Workshop

October 5, 10 a.m.

Join museum professionals to learn the best methods to preserve art. Limited space, *register at ArcadiaCA.gov/Museum.*

Paint Night Fundraiser

October 9, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

The Friends of the Arcadia Public Library will host a "Paint Night Fundraiser." *Reservations can be made at (626) 755-0383; \$39/guest.*

Science of Composting

October 12, 2:30 p.m. - 4 p.m.

3rd - 5th graders: Head to the Arcadia Library to learn how composting works - bring your banana peels, apple rinds, and other organic waste!

Craft Fair

October 19, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Shop handmade creations, including seasonal items, while enjoying live entertainment, craft demos, and raffle prizes at the Arcadia Community Center.

Halloween Haunting

October 25, 4 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Downtown Arcadia transforms into a spook-tacular trick-or-treating adventure! Learn more at DowntownArcadia.org.

Preservation Workshop

October 26, 10 a.m.

Join museum professionals to learn preservation methods through digitization. Limited space, *register at ArcadiaCA.gov/Museum.*

Veteran's Day Celebration

November 8, 11:30 a.m.

Honor Veterans at the annual luncheon. \$18 for the public, complimentary for Veterans. *Register and stay updated on all programs for veterans by joining our Veteran List at ArcadiaCA.gov/Veteran.*