

# The Arcadia Hot Sheet

September 2024

Highlighting News and Events from Around Town

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## Baldwin Avenue to see \$4.4 Million in Improvements



**46 Ficus trees along Baldwin Avenue identified as safety concerns and causing disruptions to City infrastructure.**

The activity in Arcadia's Baldwin District largely centers around Baldwin Avenue, which is home to fantastic local restaurants with diverse cuisine, businesses and shops for all your needs, and mature Ficus trees that line the roadway. Baldwin Avenue will soon be receiving important upgrades to its roadways, traffic signals, and sidewalks, helping improve a key gateway into Arcadia.

As part of the planned upgrades, 46 mature Ficus trees along Baldwin Avenue will need to be removed. While these Ficus trees have brought valuable shade and presence to the Baldwin District for decades, a thorough evaluation by a Certified Arborist has revealed that their roots have become destructive to local infrastructure, as well as both public and private property. Over the years, root intrusion has necessitated frequent repairs or replacements of water and sewer lines, while root growth has led to uplifted sidewalks and curbs. In addition, business owners in this area have

expressed their ongoing concerns about roof and gutter maintenance, as well as staining and damage to sidewalks along storefronts.

As evidenced by Arcadia's designation as a Tree City USA for nearly three decades, the City is committed to maintaining a robust urban tree canopy. Arcadia will replace the trees with new tree plantings in recognition of the value that trees bring to our community.

The Baldwin Avenue Streetscape Improvement Project began on Monday, August 19, affecting Baldwin Avenue from Huntington Drive to Camino Real Avenue. Funding sources for the project include Proposition C, Measure M, and Measure R funds, as well as Arcadia's Capital Improvement Project Fund. The project will be carried out in two phases: the first from Naomi Avenue to Camino Real Avenue, and the second from Duarte Road to Huntington Drive. Tree removal will begin on Monday, September 16.

We appreciate the community's understanding and cooperation as we work to ensure that Arcadia remains a safe and beautiful place for everyone. If you have questions about the project details and timeline, contact the Development Services Department – Engineering Division at (626) 574-5411, email [DSD@ArcadiaCA.gov](mailto:DSD@ArcadiaCA.gov) or visit [ArcadiaCA.gov](http://ArcadiaCA.gov) for more information.

*Moon  
Festival*

Saturday, September 14  
5 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.  
Arcadia City Hall Lawn

In collaboration with



**Food | Entertainment | Vendors | Kids Activities  
Make Your Own Mooncake & Tea Tasting**



## DIAL-A-RIDE FOR SENIORS & PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES



The Arcadia Transit Dial-A-Ride service is designed to be convenient and accommodating for residents who are seniors or have a disability. Each vehicle is equipped with a wheelchair lift, and the spacious interiors provide ample room for wheelchairs, walkers, and other equipment. Passengers can use the service to get to countless destinations within city limits. Dial-A-Ride fares are affordable, with a one-way trip costing just \$0.50 or a monthly pass for \$5. Learn more about Arcadia Transit's Dial-A-Ride and how to *sign up at ArcadiaCA.gov/Transit* or call (626) 574-5435.

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## COMMUNITY COMPOST BIN



The Community Compost Bin at the Arcadia Public Library is open and participating in the program is simple! Register and receive a code to unlock the bin, drop off acceptable organic waste, and return later to collect the compost you helped create. The more residents contribute to the bin, the faster we can create nutrient-rich compost for your gardens! *Register today at SustainableArcadia.org*.

## RELAY FOR LIFE OF SANTA ANITA PARK



The Relay For Life of Santa Anita Park will take place on September 7 - 8, from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. It's more than just a walk—celebrate survivors, honor lost loved ones, and unite in the fight against cancer. Let's make a difference together! *Learn more at RelayForLife.org/SantaAnitaParkCA*.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE PROGRAMS & EVENTS



**Santa Anita Park Anniversary Exhibit** Celebrate the 90th Anniversary of Santa Anita Park with the Gilb Museum's special exhibition, showcasing the rich history of this iconic racetrack! Open now through end of 2024

**Nature Hike** Take a 4-mile guided, easy/moderate hike to Switzer Falls in the Angeles National Forest. *Learn more and register at ArcadiaCA.gov/Hike*. September 7, 9 a.m.

**Paper Preservation Workshop** Join museum professionals to learn preservation methods to preserve paper. Limited space, *register at ArcadiaCA.gov/Museum*. September 7, 10 a.m.

**Taste of Arcadia** Taste food from local restaurants while meeting with businesses to learn about their products and services. *Purchase tickets at TasteofArcadia.com*. September 21, 2 p.m.

**Health Education Series** Learn about pain management from a licensed professional. Mandarin translation provided. *Learn more at ArcadiaCA.gov/HealthSeries*. September 25, 6 p.m.

**Father Daughter Dance** Saddle up for "Boots & Beauties" - a special evening to share with a loved one. *Register at ArcadiaCA.gov/FatherDaughter*. September 27, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.

**Photograph Preservation** Join museum professionals to learn preservation methods to preserve photographs. Limited space, *register at ArcadiaCA.gov/Museum*. September 28, 10 a.m.

**Parker Lyon & His Zany Museum** Step back to the 1930s, when Arcadia was home to the fascinating Pony Express Museum! Featured speaker Ed Anderson dives into the rich history and stories of this unique piece of Arcadia's past. *Learn more at ArcadiaCA.gov/Library*. October 19, 2 - 3 p.m.