



ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS IN ARCADIA

Homelessness is a difficult reality for many individuals that requires a coordinated regional and local approach. The City of Arcadia is addressing its unhoused population by working closely with specialized agencies to provide emergency housing, food assistance, and more.

Since June 2022, the City of Arcadia has contracted with Los Angeles Centers for Alcohol and Drug Abuse (L.A. CADA) for homeless case management and housing navigation services. Arcadia funds three full-time case managers that assist with street outreach, mental health support, substance abuse services, benefit services, essential resource distribution, rental assistance (application fees & security deposits), reunification services, housing placement, and more.



LEARN THEIR STORIES

Through years of providing service, it's clear that every individual's experience with homelessness is unique. Despite the various reasons and circumstances, in the past two years, the City of Arcadia, in contracting with L.A. CADA, has helped many individuals rebuild their lives.



Trinidad Cisneros

From Client to Advocate

Trinidad Cisneros, one of Arcadia's dedicated case managers, has a unique connection to the work he does - he was once a client of L.A. CADA. After experiencing homelessness in Arcadia, Trinidad was approached by the L.A. CADA team and embarked on his own journey through the Continuum of Care. Upon successfully completing the program, he was inspired to join the outreach efforts and was hired by L.A. CADA in May 2023. Since then, Trinidad has guided hundreds of individuals toward personal stability, drawing on his own experiences to build trust and understanding with his clients. L.A. CADA's practice of hiring individuals with lived experience brings a unique level of compassion and understanding to homeless services.

A New Beginning

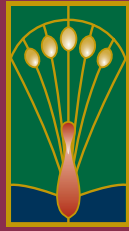
A young family of three, facing homelessness, was referred by Arcadia Police to L.A. CADA, who immediately set out to find them shelter. Thanks to their swift efforts, the mother and baby secured a place through the Volunteers of America maternity program. Although the father couldn't stay with them, he was provided a two-week hotel voucher through a Transitional Age Youth program in North Hollywood. At first, the mother was apprehensive about entering the program. Once she arrived, her worries eased, and she expressed deep gratitude for this safe space for her and her baby. The father also expressed immense relief and gratitude for finally having a safe place for his infant.

Home at Last

The L.A. CADA team encountered an elderly man who had been living on the streets of Arcadia for many years. After spending time with him, they discovered he once had a case worker at Ascencia, a homeless services provider in Glendale. Reaching out to Ascencia, case workers helped reinstate his Section 8 voucher and ultimately found him an apartment in Arcadia. The team didn't stop there. They helped him move in and provided essentials, including food from Shepherd's Pantry, a bed, and a refrigerator. Today, they continue to check in on him, and he remains deeply grateful for the kindness and care he was shown.

HELP IS AVAILABLE

If you or someone you know in Arcadia is experiencing homelessness or is at risk of becoming homeless, **call (562) 844-1484 or email arcadia@lacada.com**. One does not need to be experiencing homelessness to receive help, there are preventative services available to keep people housed.



CITY OF
ARCADIA

FALL 2024 NEWSLETTER


City Council Meetings


The City Council meets on the first and third Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers. View the live meetings on:

- AT&T Channel 99
- Spectrum Digital Channel 15-257
- ArcadiaCA.gov

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Building 574-5416
City Council 574-5403
City Manager 574-5401
Coyote Reporting Hotline 278-8039
Development Services 574-5415
Fire Administration 574-5100
Graffiti Hotline 821-4333
Historical Museum 574-5440
Homeless Services (562) 844-1484
Library 821-5567
Planning 574-5423
Police Administration 574-5151
Public Works Services 254-2720
Recreation & Community Services 574-5113
Senior Citizen Services 574-5130
Shopping Cart Removal (800) 506-9983
Water Conservation Hotline 574-3000
Water Service 254-2700



WE'RE GOING DIGITAL!

Starting in 2025, this quarterly newsletter will go digital. Scan the QR code to sign up and never miss an issue!



HOMELESSNESS & LAW

In California, many cities have enacted laws to discourage public camping and homeless-related activities. While being unhoused is not a crime, the City of Arcadia upholds its laws and ordinances for all, including those experiencing homelessness.

Grants Pass v. Johnson

On June 28, 2024, the U.S. Supreme Court sided with the City of Grants Pass (Oregon), ruling that the City's ordinance allowing for criminal enforcement of anti-camping laws does not violate the Eighth Amendment prohibition on cruel and unusual punishment. With this decision, the U.S. Supreme Court overruled *Martin v. Boise*.

The *Martin v. Boise* case challenged the City of Boise's (Idaho) enforcement of its Camping and Disorderly Conduct Ordinances against persons experiencing homelessness - those who need to sleep in public in the absence of adequate housing or shelter. In 2018, a panel of the Ninth Circuit judges held that "as long as there is no option of sleeping indoors, the government cannot criminalize indigent, homeless people for sleeping outdoors, on public property, on the false premise they had a choice in the matter." As *Martin v. Boise* was a nationwide ruling, it became the law that City of Arcadia followed until it was superseded by the Grants Pass decision.

What does the U.S. Supreme Court ruling in Grants Pass v. Johnson mean for Arcadia?

Arcadia, like many cities, enforced its anti-camping laws before the *Martin v. Boise* decision. In 2021, Arcadia updated its Anti-Camping Ordinance to align with the Boise decision, and to include restrictions on the time, manner, and place for camping on public property. In light of the U.S. Supreme Court ruling in Grants Pass v. Johnson, Arcadia Police resumed enforcement of public camping restrictions under Arcadia Municipal Code § 7912, as a measure of last resort.

Before taking enforcement action, officers will prioritize helping individuals, offering every opportunity to comply, and connecting them with available resources to help find safer solutions. Individuals are allowed to remain in public spaces during daylight hours as long as they are not camping or violating any other laws.

FUNDING FOR PROGRAMS & SERVICES

The primary source of funding for homeless services was intended to be Measure H, a 0.25% sales tax increase approved by Los Angeles County voters in 2017.

From 2017-23, Arcadia's Measure H collections generated approximately \$16.8 million in funding for homeless services countywide, and about \$662,000 has been returned directly to Arcadia to fund homeless programs. Unfortunately, the need has exceeded funding allocation, forcing Arcadia to supplement through other sources. These funding sources include the Permanent Local Housing Allocation, a program under Senate Bill 2, and a \$250,000 allocation from the American Rescue Plan Act.

Learn more about Arcadia's ongoing efforts to address homelessness.

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PARAMEDIC MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

A 911 call for emergency ambulance service can cost thousands of dollars. The City of Arcadia is one of the few cities who offer residents the opportunity to be a part of the Paramedic Membership Program (PMP). For \$51 per year, the PMP provides savings with benefits to you and your family:

- Covers ALL permanent household members who live at the same address.
- Covers ALL out-of-pocket expenses not covered by insurance for emergency ambulance services.

Reduced rates are available for those who live in a retirement facility (\$27 per year) or qualifying low-income residents (\$24 per year).



Contact Arcadia Fire Department

- Call: (626) 574-5104 or (626) 574-5126
- Email: PMP@ArcadiaCA.gov or
- Visit www.ArcadiaCA.gov/Paramedic



COMMUNITY CONNECT

Arcadia Community Connect is a free, secure and easy way for you to provide critical information about your household to the Arcadia Fire Department. By providing information about your property, emergency contacts, potential hazards at your location, mobility issues in your household, and even your pet's information, the Arcadia Fire Department can ensure that you and everything you care about can be better protected.

This is a voluntary program, and it's up to you on how much information you would like to share to our first responders! Sign up at www.ArcadiaCA.gov/Connect.



GO WITH ARCADIA TRANSIT!

Arcadia Transit's Green Line connects the Metro Arcadia Station with places like Santa Anita Park, City Hall, USC Arcadia Hospital, The Shops at Santa Anita, and the LA County Arboretum. In addition to the Green Line, the fixed-route service includes the Red and Blue Lines, linking communities in the east and southwest of Arcadia to many local activity centers in town. Whether you're starting your holiday shopping, or looking for an eco-friendly way to commute, hop on and let Arcadia Transit take you where you need to go!

Download Passio GO!, Arcadia Transit's innovative app that's designed to enhance your commuting experience. With real-time bus tracking and estimated arrival times, you'll never have to worry about missing your bus. Getting started is simple! Visit the app store and after installation, select 'City of Arcadia' as your agency to access customized settings for Arcadia Transit. For more information on Arcadia Transit services, visit ArcadiaCA.gov/Transit.

Title VI - The City of Arcadia operates Arcadia Transit services without regard to race, color, and national origin in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Any person who believes she or he has been aggrieved by any unlawful discriminatory practice under Title VI may file a complaint with the City of Arcadia. For more information on the City of Arcadia's Civil Rights program, and/or to file a complaint, call (626) 574-5435; email ArcadiaTransit@arcadiaca.gov; or visit Transportation Services office at 240 W. Huntington Dr., Arcadia, CA 91007. A complaint may be filed directly with the Federal Transit Administration by filing a complaint with the Office of Civil Rights: Regions 9, 201 Mission St., Suite 1650, San Francisco, CA 94105.



Autumn Clean-Up

Fats, Oils, & Grease (FOGs)

The holidays are near, which means plenty of cooking! Remember, fats, oils, and grease (FOGs) should never be poured down the drain. FOGs from meat, oil, butter, and products like mayonnaise and salad dressings can clog pipes and damage sewer lines, causing wastewater backups, creating serious public-health risks. Here's what you can do instead:

- Used FOGs can be properly disposed of by pouring or scraping it into a sealable container then placing the sealed container into the black trash cart.
- Wipe pots, pans, and dishes with dry paper towels before rinsing or washing, then throw away the paper towels in the black trash cart.

Bulky Item Pick-Up

Waste Management offers four (4) free bulky item pick-ups per calendar year for each single-family residential account and two (2) for each multi-family residential account. Call 800-266-7551 to schedule.

Landscaping

Lawns and landscaping should be maintained regularly for a tidy appearance. Be sure to water, mow, edge your lawn, and remove weeds or overgrown vegetation. Fill in any bare areas to keep your yard looking well-kept. Also, ensure walkways are clear of tree leaves and debris, especially now that school is back in session, to provide a safe path for students. Visit www.ArcadiaCA.gov/RLG for more tips.

With many trees around the City, leaf cleanup becomes essential as the leaves begin to fall. Remember to dispose of leaves and green waste in your organic waste cart. Do not rake or pile them in the street. Excess leaf debris can't be collected by street sweepers and may cause blockages.

Property Maintenance

Keep your property safe from the elements and in good condition by fixing or replacing exterior components that are broken or in disrepair. Be sure to also store inoperable vehicles, debris, and equipment out of public view. For more information, contact Code Services at (626) 574-5432.

Community Craft Fair



Saturday, October 19
9am-2pm
Arcadia Community Center



Shop handmade creations, including seasonal items.
Enjoy live entertainment, craft demo, and raffle prizes!

VETERANS — DAY —

CELEBRATION



Friday, November 8
11:30am

Arcadia Community Center

\$18

Complimentary for Veterans
with proof of service

Register at ArcadiaCA.gov/RecReg

Calling All Veterans!

The City of Arcadia is compiling a list of all Veterans to honor our bravest. If you would like to be added to the list, visit ArcadiaCA.gov/Veteran or call the Community Center 626.574.5113.

Halloween SAFETY TIPS

FOLLOW THESE HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS TO ENSURE A FUN & SAFE NIGHT FOR EVERYONE

- When choosing a costume, stay away from long trailing fabric. If your child is wearing a mask, make sure the eye holes are large enough so they can see out.
- Provide children with flashlights or glow sticks to carry for lighting.
- Eat only factory-wrapped treats. If you have any doubt about the safety of a treat, throw it out.
- Trick or treat as part of a large group with a responsible adult.

DECORATIONS ARE THE FIRST THING TO IGNITE IN ROUGHLY 800 REPORTED HOME FIRES EACH YEAR. MORE THAN 1/3 OF THESE FIRES WERE STARTED BY A CANDLE.

- Keep all decorations away from open flames and other heat sources like light bulbs and heaters. Dried flowers, cornstalks and crepe paper catch fire easily.
- When lighting candles inside jack-o-lanterns, use long, fireplace-style matches or a utility lighter. Be sure to place lit pumpkins well away from anything that can burn and far enough out of the way of trick-or-treaters, doorsteps, walkways and yards.
- Use a battery-operated candle or glow-stick in jack-o-lanterns.

**HALLOWEEN HAUNTING
IN DOWNTOWN ARCADIA**
OCTOBER 25 | 4 PM - 6:30 PM
TRICK-OR-TREAT • GAMES • FUN



IT'S TIME FOR
Baseball



During summer of 2024, new bleachers and shade canopies were installed at Hugo Reid Park and Bonita Park! The new bleachers feature improved safety railings and ADA accessible seating, while the shade canopies provide sun and heat protection for visitors.

This project was funded by the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District.

Arcadia Public Library

Teen Book Talk

Indulge in sweet treats & a craft related to the magical young adult novel, *Dark Rise* by C.S. Pacat.

Checkout the book, starting October 1. Limited copies available.

November 14, 2024
3 - 4 PM

Library Conference Room
Registration is Required!

WINTER Recreation Registration

Classes | Programs | Events

Residents Online
Monday, December 9

Open Registration
Monday, December 16

Winter session will occur
1/6/2025-3/16/2025



ArcadiaCA.gov/RecReg

Tree Lighting CELEBRATION

Thursday, December 5 | 6pm
Arcadia Transit Plaza

Photos with Santa | Crafts | Carolers | Treats



Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, December 7
8:30am or 10:30am
Arcadia Community Center
\$22

Take your holiday photos with Santa while enjoying breakfast, hot chocolate, crafts, & games!



Registration begins
October 15

ArcadiaCA.gov/RecReg

Snow Festival

Saturday, December 7
9am-2pm
Arcadia Community Center

Snow sledding | Holiday crafts
Face painting | Games | Photobooth

Free parking shuttle service at the Arcadia Performing Arts Center beginning at 7:45am



Make Your Own Snow Globe

free

Saturday, December 7
9AM - 11 AM

Craft your very own snow globe! Snow globes are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Supplies are limited. No registration required.

THE GILB MUSEUM OF ARCADIA HERITAGE
380 WEST HUNTINGTON DRIVE ARCADIA, CA 91007
(626)574-5440 ARCADIACA.GOV/MUSEUM

ARCADIA PUBLIC LIBRARY

Gingerbread Decorating

Adults only.
Registration required.
Sign up at the Adult & Teen Services Desk or call 626-821-5569.
All supplies provided.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2024
7 - 8PM
CAY MORTENSON AUDITORIUM

GILB MUSEUM EVENT SCHEDULE

- OCT 1** Indigenous Heritage Kit
- OCT 5** Preservation Workshop: Art
- OCT 26** Preservation Workshop: Digitization
- FRIDAYS UNTIL NOV 8** Preschool Program
- NOV 26** International Holidays Kit
- DEC 7** Make Your Own Snow Globe
- DEC 14** Preservation Workshop: Genealogy

For more information about our free programs or events please visit our website!

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71st Annual Arcadia Festival of Bands

Don't miss the Arcadia Festival of Bands! Duarte Road will feature the best bands in Southern California on Saturday, November 23; attendance is free.

★ HOLIDAY REMINDERS

Here are some helpful holiday reminders to keep your home merry, bright, and safe this season:

Residential Trash Service



Trash collection service during the weeks of Christmas and New Years will be delayed by one day. Collection will occur on Thursday, December 26 and Thursday, January 2, respectively.

Holiday Tree Recycling

Waste Management will be offering free Christmas tree recycling during regularly scheduled trash pickup days from December 26, 2024, through January 15, 2025. All decorations should be removed from the tree prior to recycling. Trees more than 6 feet in height must be cut in half. Flocked trees will be accepted but cannot be recycle.



Parking Enforcement



During the holidays, the Arcadia Police Department will temporarily suspend overnight parking enforcement on the following dates:

- Thanksgiving Holiday: November 25, 2024, through December 2, 2024, at 2:30 a.m.
- Christmas & New Years Holiday: December 16, 2024, through January 6, 2025, at 2:30 a.m.

Dates are subject to change. Visit www.ArcadiaCA.gov for the most updated information.

Holiday Fire Safety

Almost half of the home decoration fires in December are started by candles. Keep these tips in mind, and enjoy a safe and festive holiday season!

- Keep candles at least 12 inches away from anything that burns.
- Keep the tree at least 3 feet away from fireplaces, radiators, space heaters, and exits.
- A dry Christmas tree can burn very quickly! If you have a real tree, water it daily.
- Read manufacturer's instructions for the number of light strands to connect.





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General Municipal Election - Tuesday, November 5, 2024

NOTABLE ITEMS ON THE BALLOT FOR ARCADIAN

View the final list of Candidates and Measures appearing on the November 5, 2024 General Election Ballot at

LAVote.gov

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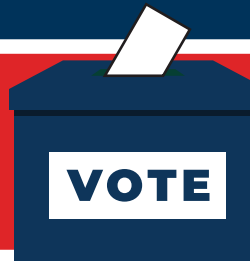
- **Elect City Council Members** for Electoral Districts 1 & 4
- **Measure AS**, Arcadia Unified School District School Safety/Repair Measure

COUNTY

- **Measure A**, Homelessness Services and Affordable Housing Ordinance
- **Measure G**, Los Angeles County Government Structure, Ethics, and Accountability Charter Amendment

Drop-off Vote by Mail ballots at any drop-off location within LA County, or at the following locations in Arcadia:

Arcadia City Hall
240 W. Huntington Dr.
Tierra Verde Park
200 E. Camino Real St.



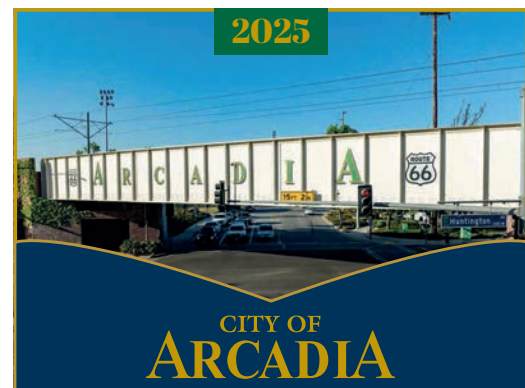
Vote in-person at the 4-day Vote Center at
Arcadia Public Library
20 W. Duarte Rd.

Baldwin Avenue Streetscape Improvement Project

Baldwin Avenue is undergoing significant upgrades to its roadways, traffic signals, and sidewalks, enhancing a vital gateway into Arcadia. As part of these improvements, mature Ficus trees have been removed due to root damage to infrastructure. The City of Arcadia will replace the Ficus trees with London Plane trees, a species better suited for urban areas. **To learn more, visit www.ArcadiaCA.gov/BaldwinAvenue.**

本期内容

- 1 - 2 解决阿卡迪亚的无家可归问题
- 3 医务辅助人员会员计划
- 3 社区联系计划
- 3 阿卡迪亚公共交通计划
- 4 秋季清理小贴士
- 4 社区手工艺品集市 (10月19日)
- 4 退伍军人节庆祝活动 (11月8日)
- 5 万圣节安全提示
- 5 阿卡迪亚市中心的“不给糖就捣蛋”活动 (10月25日)
- 5 阿卡迪亚公园的新建露天看台
- 6 阿卡迪亚的社区活动
- 7 家庭节日有用提醒
- 8 大选信息
- 8 鲍德温大道 (Baldwin Avenue) 街道改善项目
- 8 索取印刷版 2025 年社区日历



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