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A WEEKLY UPDATE FROM THE CITY OF DUBLIN

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FLAGS TO BE LOWERED TO HALF-STAFF ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

Honoring Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day



On Saturday, **December 7**, flags will be flying at half-staff in honor of Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day (December 7, 1941).



JOIN THE CITY OF DUBLIN FOR THE 2024 CITY COUNCIL RECOGNITION AND INSTALLATION

V.I.P. Reception in the Civic Center Lobby

On **Tuesday, December 17, 2024**, at **7:00 p.m.**, the Dublin City Council will adopt the 2024 election results and preside over the oath of office to Mayor-elect Sherry Hu and Councilmembers-elect Michael

McCorriston and John Morada. The City Council will also make a presentation to outgoing City Councilmember Janine Thalblum. Thank you, Councilmember Thalblum, for your service!

MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF CHILDREN IN NEED THIS YEAR BY DONATING TO LOCAL TOY DRIVES

Dublin Police Services and Alameda County Fire
Department Collecting Toys for Youth



Dublin Police will be holding a "Stuff the Cruiser" toy drive on Saturday and Sunday, **December 7-8, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**, at the Target store at Fallon Gateway (2800 Dublin Boulevard). Please help by donating unwrapped toys for children in need in our community. Additionally, the Alameda County Fire Department's Local 55 is collecting new, unwrapped toys this season. Gifts can be dropped off at several locations in Dublin through December 24:

- **Station #16** - 7494 Donohue Drive

- **Station #17** - 6200 Madigan Road
- **Station #18** - 4800 Fallon Road
- **Alameda County Fire Department Administration Offices** - 6363 Clark Avenue

DUBLIN POLICE IN THE COMMUNITY

Dublin Police Volunteer at a Local Food Bank and Help Light Up the Lives of Local Children



Prior to Thanksgiving Day, Dublin Police volunteered at the Alameda County Food Bank in Oakland, helping to bag produce that was distributed to families during the holiday season. In total, more than 30,300 pounds of food were bagged, providing 25,174 meals for those in need.



On November 19, Dublin Police Officers were also invited to the School of Imagination for their Community Helpers program. They spent time with the children and made their day special by showcasing their patrol vehicles and motorcycles.

COUNCIL CHAMBER DOOR UPGRADES

New Doors to be Installed Later This Month



In late December, the doors to the City Council Chamber in City Hall will be replaced. The existing doors are approximately 35 years old and are near the end of their useful life. The new doors will include new hardware and integrated actuators that will improve both accessibility and safety. The project will be completed without impacting any scheduled public meetings.

DUBLIN SPORTS GROUNDS TREE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Eighty Trees to be Replaced in the Spring



Earlier this year, the City Council directed Staff and appropriated additional budget to increase tree

replacement efforts to benefit the City's urban forest. In the next few weeks, after the sports fields are closed for the winter season, the Public Works department will begin to replace several trees at Dublin Sports Grounds. The first phase will include removing 80 trees that have been assessed to be dead or dying. Those include redwood, pine, and cedar trees that have been negatively impacted by drought cycles, crowding, or other environmental factors. Trees that are removed will be replaced with new trees in Spring 2025.

DUBLIN BUSINESS CORNER

What's New in Dublin



Allure Furniture opened this week at 6694 Amador Plaza Road, Suite A (former site of the Plumbery). Allure Furniture offers refined, high-end furnishings.

Three new businesses plan to operate at 580 Executive Center, located at 11501 Dublin Boulevard, Unit 200. These include **Priority Acquisitions & Construction**, a general contractor; **NorCal Fiduciary**, a licensed professional fiduciary; and **Bay Safe Transportation**, specializing in non-emergency medical transportation.

Twisted Pair, previously located at 6850 Regional Street, Unit 220, has merged with another company and transitioned to a fully remote model.

Riar Academy of Performing Arts has consolidated its facility and operations at its primary location, 7216 Regional Street, and will no longer operate out of 7727 Amador Valley Boulevard.

The non-profit, **Royal Theater Academy (RTA)**, submitted a business license application for 7066 Village Parkway, previously Hively. RTA will provide classes and workshops for performing arts.

CELEBRATING DUBLIN'S NOMINEES FOR THE 2025 EAST BAY INNOVATION AWARDS

Four Dublin-Based Businesses Nominated for Innovation Awards

The City of Dublin proudly recognizes four local businesses nominated for the prestigious 2025 East Bay Innovation Awards. Hosted by the East Bay Economic Development Alliance, the ceremony will take place on **March 27, 2025**, at the Oakland Scottish Rite Center (1547 Lakeside Drive, Oakland). Dublin's nominees include:

- **Anchor Engineering, Inc.** (Community Impact)
- **Omatochi** (Community Impact)
- **Wellnest** (Community Impact)
- **SavvyMoney** (Technology)

These nominations underscore Dublin's dedication to fostering innovation and advancing industries that benefit both the local community and the broader region. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Anchor Engineering, Omatochi, Wellnest, and SavvyMoney on this well-deserved recognition and wish them success at the upcoming awards ceremony.

Learn more about the awards and other nominees at the [East Bay Economic Development Alliance website](#).

CITY COUNCIL PRESENTS MILITARY BANNERS

Honorees' Family & Friends Receive Banner and Certificate of Recognition



At the Dublin City Council meeting held on December 3, the City Council presented the Military Banner Program honorees with their individual banners. The banners were displayed from Memorial Day through Veterans Day along Dougherty Road,

between Scarlett Drive and Amador Valley Boulevard. The families and friends of the honorees attended the City Council meeting to see the honorees accept their banner, receive their Certificate of Recognition, and take a photo with the City Council. The photos can be viewed [here](#).

2025 Military Banner Program Now Accepting Applications

The City's Military Banner Program is a great way to honor and celebrate the courage and sacrifice of our community members who serve and protect. The application period for the 2025 Military Banner Program is currently open. For more information and to apply, visit www.dublin.ca.gov/militarybanners.

DUBLIN FEATURED AS A TRAVEL DESTINATION

Re-Discover Dublin's "Golden-Colored Foothills" and Many Other Attractions

Dublin's hiking trails, stunning views, recreational amenities, restaurants, and unique options for retail therapy were featured as a travel destination to experience, by *Islands*, a web-based travel guide. Check out the [article](#) to be reminded about what makes Dublin not only a great travel destination, but also a wonderful city.

SANTA'S MAILBOX BRINGS MAGIC TO THE HOLIDAYS

Write a Letter to Santa!



Santa's Mailbox opened this week at the Dublin Civic Center (100 Civic Plaza), and the holiday magic is already in full swing! Santa's elves have informed us

that Santa has already received more than 30 letters from excited residents and he's looking for more letters to come.

Children can drop off their letters to Santa in the special North Pole mailbox in the Civic Center lobby through **Friday, December 13, at 5:00 p.m.**, to receive a personalized reply from Santa. Be sure to include your name and home address so Santa knows where to send his letter. Don't miss this chance to add a little extra holiday magic to your season.

THANKSGIVING BREAK ALL-BALL CAMP

Celebrating the Holiday Week with Sports Activities



City of Dublin staff held its first Thanksgiving Break All-Ball Camp! This three-day camp was held November 25 – 27 at Stager Community Gymnasium. Nineteen youngsters played various sports, such as basketball, kickball, soccer, and dodgeball. It was the perfect way to kick off the holiday break.

USA FLAG FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Flag Football is Coming to Fallon Sports Park

USA Flag Football will host a tournament at Fallon Sports Park, **December 7-8**. This two-day tournament will feature men's and women's teams from all over the map: California, Oregon, Washington, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, Florida, Nevada, Louisiana, and even Canada! With flag football debuting in the 2028 Olympic Games, excitement and momentum is building for the sport. We can't wait to see its debut in The New American Backyard!

MULTI-USE SPORTS FACILITIES

Bringing Versatility to the Dublin Community



Understanding the importance of filling a variety of community needs, the City of Dublin has created numerous facilities that can be used for multiple sports. Parks that have multi-use courts (i.e., can be used for basketball, futsal, badminton, etc.) include Alamo Creek, Bray Commons, Dolan, Don Biddle, Emerald Glen, Fallon Sports Park, Jordan Ranch, Positano Hills, Schaefer Ranch, and Ted Fairfield.

The City also has numerous multi-use fields that can be used for different sports and activities, both reservable and non-reservable. Reservable fields include Ted Fairfield (1), Dublin Sports Grounds (7), Fallon Sports Park (4), and Emerald Glen Park (4).

HUMAN SERVICES COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM

Supporting Local Non-Profit Organizations Serving Dublin Residents



The City of Dublin Human Services Grants Program provides financial support to local non-profit organizations serving Dublin residents through funding sources, including the General Fund, Federal Community Development Block Grant program (CDBG), Affordable Housing Fund, and the American

Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). For the upcoming grant cycle (beginning **July 1, 2025**), the City of Dublin worked with the City of Pleasanton and the City of Livermore on a common application, allowing local agencies to apply for funding from all three cities through one application. Dublin and Livermore have also transitioned to a two-year funding cycle to lessen the administrative burden on the local agencies applying for funding.

The fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 application window opened on Monday, November 25, and will remain open until 4:00 p.m. on Friday, **January 17, 2025**. Applicants who pass the initial screening must attend a mandatory meeting on **February 11, 2025**. This meeting will allow agencies to provide details about their program(s) to each city's housing and human services commissions.

CITY OF DUBLIN SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2024 VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION AWARDS

Deadline to Submit a Nomination is Friday, January 17, at 5:00 p.m.



The City of Dublin is now seeking nominations for the 2024 Citizen, Young Citizen, and Organization of the Year. Each year, the City recognizes a Citizen and Young Citizen (grades 1 - 12) who have each made significant contributions toward enhancing the quality of life for residents of Dublin during the previous calendar year. Additionally, a non-profit organization that has provided services, which have substantially benefited the residents of Dublin, is also recognized. If an individual or an organization

has won the award in the past, they cannot be nominated again for three years following their previous win. If they've been nominated, but have not won the award, they can be nominated again. A celebratory event announcing the Citizen, Young Citizen, and Organization of the Year winners will be held on **Wednesday, February 19, 2025**, at Shannon Community Center.

To nominate an individual or group for recognition, please visit www.dublin.ca.gov/vre.
The deadline to submit a nomination is Friday, January 17, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.

City of Dublin Offers Passport Services

Book Appointments Online



Passport services at the City of Dublin are offered Monday through Thursday between the hours of 8:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., by appointment only. Appointments are available 31 days in advance, on a rolling schedule, through an online booking system which can be found at <https://dublin.ca.gov/PassportServices>.

For your convenience, the City also now offers passport photos (\$20 per person). Current U.S. Passport Agency processing times are 4-6 weeks for routine processing and 2-3 weeks for expedited processing (additional fee required). For urgent travel to a foreign country within 14 calendar days, or in need of a foreign visa within 28 calendar days, you can visit the U.S. Department of State website at travel.state.gov.

The City is also planning to hold a Passport Acceptance Fair on **Saturday, March 22, 2025**. More information can be found at a later date at <https://dublin.ca.gov/PassportServices>.

As an Acceptance Facility, the City accepted 92 passport applications in November, with 1,515 applications accepted so far this year. Passport services are not available on holidays observed by the City of Dublin.

CITY COUNCIL RECOGNIZES THE 2024 INSIDE DUBLIN GRADUATES

Residents Learned All About City Operations

This week, the City Council recognized the participants of the 2024 Inside Dublin program. This class spent the last seven weeks learning about the City's history, governance, Public Safety, and Development, in addition to capital projects, parks and community services, general operations, and local agency partnerships.



DUBLIN POLICE SERVICES

INVITES YOU TO HELP US



STUFF THE CRUISER

SATURDAY

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SUNDAY

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DECEMBER

FALLON GATEWAY SHOPPING CENTER

2800 DUBLIN BLVD.

10:00AM - 2:00PM



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**PLEASE DONATE NEW UNWRAPPED TOYS WHICH WILL
BE DISTRIBUTED THROUGH HIVELY TO CHILDREN IN
OUR COMMUNITY**

The City of Dublin cordially invites you to join us

CITY COUNCIL RECOGNITION AND INSTALLATION

Tuesday, December 17, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

PROGRAM

Adoption of Election Results
from November 5, 2024

Presentation to Outgoing Councilmember
Janine Thalblum



Oath of Office,
Councilmember Michael McCorriston



Oath of Office,
Councilmember John Morada



Oath of Office,
Mayor Sherry Hu



Selection of Vice Mayor for 2025

VIP Reception at 6:00 p.m. in the Civic Center Lobby



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CITY OF DUBLIN holiday happenings

HOLIDAY HOME DECORATING CONTEST

Do you like to decorate your home for the holidays? Or do you have a neighbor who gets into the holiday spirit with home décor? The City of Dublin invites residents to participate in the Holiday Home Decorating Contest. There are multiple categories to enter and prizes to be won. A winner will be chosen in each category, including a "People's Choice Award" this year. Visit www.dublin.ca.gov/holidayhappenings for details and entry forms. The deadline to enter is **Friday, December 6, at 4:00 p.m.**

Free to enter

LETTERS TO SANTA

Monday, November 25 – Friday, December 13
Dublin Civic Center, 100 Civic Plaza

Write a letter to Santa and drop it off in Santa's mailbox at 100 Civic Plaza. Be sure to include your name and address so that Santa can send a reply! This magical opportunity is open to all, making the season brighter with a touch of North Pole magic. Letters must be submitted by **Friday, December 13**. Don't miss out—Santa is excited to hear from you!

All ages; free

HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING

Thursday, December 5, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Dublin Civic Center, 100 Civic Plaza

Come out to the Dublin Civic Center for the annual lighting of the holiday tree! Experience a true Winter Wonderland while enjoying live entertainment, taking a ride on the Clover Express, writing letters to Santa, doing arts and crafts, and taking a photo with Santa himself! Complimentary hot chocolate and cookies will be available.

Admission is free

HOLIDAY DANCESCAPE

Friday, December 6, 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Dublin Senior Center, 7600 Amador Valley Blvd.

Kick off the season with friends at the Dublin Senior Center's annual holiday dance social.

21 years and older; Residents \$12; Non-Residents \$15; \$20 at the door

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Benefiting Dublin High School music programs

Saturday, December 7, at 8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m., and 11:00 a.m.

Shannon Community Center, 11600 Shannon Ave.

Santa Claus is coming to Dublin! Families are invited to enjoy a delicious hot pancake breakfast served with sausage, fruit, coffee, and juice, followed by the arrival of Santa Claus! Santa will pose for holiday photos following each session.

All ages; Residents \$15; Non-Residents \$18

WEEKEND WONDERS: WINTER WREATH WORKSHOP

Saturday, December 14, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Heritage Park & Museums, 6600 Donlon Way

Make a winter wreath while enjoying hot chocolate.

All ages; Residents \$5; Non-Residents \$6;

Activity #90112

NEED MORE INFO?

www.dublin.ca.gov/holidayhappenings

REGISTRATION IS EASY!

Register online at www.DublinRecGuide.com



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