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Celebrate Earth Day in Concord

The City of Concord will sponsor its first Earth Day celebration on Saturday, April 23 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon at Newhall Community Park, 1351 Newhall Parkway. Families are invited to assist with tree plantings, path restoration, creek clean-up, trash pick-up and the planting of a butterfly garden. For more information, contact Concord Events Program Coordinator Shannon Griffin at (925) 671-3068 or shannon.griffin@cityofconcord.org

[Learn more](#)



Get the new Concord Connect cell phone app



Concord is now offering residents a new cell phone app called Concord Connect that makes it easy to submit non-emergency requests for service. The new app replaces the old Civic Hero app. Report issues such as graffiti, potholes, street-light outages and much more. The app sends the service request directly to the appropriate City department and tracks the status.

[Learn more](#)

City Council to discuss master developer

The Concord City Council will hold its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, April 5 at the Concord Senior Center, 2727 Parkside circle, beginning at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the selection of a master developer for the Concord Naval Weapons Station. The meeting will be televised on Concord Cable TV channel 28 (Comcast), 29 (Astound), and 99 (AT&T U-verse) and will be available for viewing on demand from the City website www.cityofconcord.org.

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Concord - one of best places in the WORLD to retire

The well-respected Condè Naste Traveler magazine named Concord one of the 10 best places



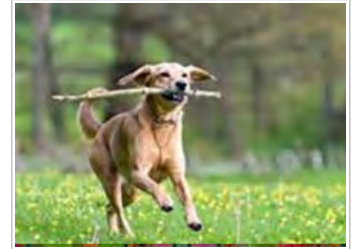
in the world to retire. Concord joined a list that included cities in Mexico, Portugal, Malaysia, Panama, Belize and Ireland. Conde Naste said "Concord is a big little city, home to farmers markets, excellent health care facilities, and free community activities throughout the year." Also noted were proximity to San Francisco and relatively lower crime rate.

[Learn more](#)

One dog park reopens, second one closed for maintenance

Baldwin Dog Park at 2700 Parkside Circle has reopened after being closed for annual maintenance. Newhall Dog Park at 1351 Newhall Parkway is now closed for maintenance and will reopen in eight to ten weeks, depending on the weather. Concord's two dog parks are consistently the most visited amenities in the City's park system and require an annual closure so that new turf can be planted.

[Learn more](#)



Redefining Mobility Summit is April 21



The Contra Costa Transportation Authority and GoMentum Station, in coordination with the City, are hosting the second annual Redefining Mobility Summit on Thursday, April 21 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Hilton Concord. The GoMentum Station testing facility for autonomous and connected vehicles is located on the former Concord Naval Weapons Station property. For registration and information, visit www.gomentumstation.net/registration.

Fair housing training at Civic Center

ECHO Housing, in partnership with the City, will host a free Fair Housing Training on Friday, April 22 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the City Council Chambers at Civic Center, 1950 Parkside Dr. Renters, housing providers and service providers are encouraged to attend. To register, contact Angie Watson-Hajjem at (855) ASK-ECHO ext. 15 or email angie@echofairhousing.org.

[Learn more](#)



Tax help appointments at the library



The Concord Library and AARP are offering free tax assistance to low-and middle-income residents with special attention to those over 60. Appointments can be made for Fridays and Saturdays at 10:15 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 12 noon, 1 p.m., 1:30 p.m., 2 p.m., 2:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. through April 15. The library at 2900 Salvio St. To make an appointment, call the tax aid appointment line at (925) 405-5135.

[Learn more](#)

New bicycle racks installed downtown

Six new bicycle racks have been installed on Salvio Street between Mt. Diablo Street and Galindo Street, just in time for summer events in Todos Santos Plaza. Concord obtained grant funding through 511 Contra Costa to purchase the racks. Additional racks will be installed at two new locations in the downtown later this year to encourage visitors to ride instead of drive to Todos Santos Plaza.

[Bicycle rack map](#)



Reservations open for energy assessments



Concord residents can sign up today for a no-cost home energy and water assessment, or Green House Call, from Rising Sun Energy Center, through a program sponsored by the City. During the assessment, residents will be provided with energy efficient light bulbs, shower heads, faucet aerators, energy saving tips, and more - all at no cost. Spots are limited.

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