



Drop ballots at Civic Center

Concord residents will find it easier to vote in the upcoming Nov. 8 election as the City of Concord has partnered with the Contra Costa Elections Office to provide a convenient drop off location for mail-in ballots at the Civic Center, 1950 Parkside Dr., Wing A, available from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. The box will remain on site through Election Day.

[Learn more](#)



Advisory committee for Reuse Project



The Concord City Council is in the process of selecting an 11-member Community Advisory Committee (CAC) for the Concord Naval Weapons Station Reuse Project. Three alternates will also be selected. Over 100 residents submitted applications. Interviews for the 21 applicant finalists are Saturday, Nov. 19. The City Council will make appointments to the CAC at the City Council meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 29.

[Learn more](#)

City wins Helen Putnam Award

Concord was presented with a prestigious state-wide Helen Putnam Award from the League of California Cities last month for the Central Family Justice Center. The center, at 2151 Salvio Street, opened in 2015 and brings together a diverse group of professionals to assist victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse, elder abuse and human trafficking. The award recognized the unique and effective partnership aspects of the project.

[Learn more](#)



Mark your calendar - Mayor's Sing-Along



Bring the family to Todos Santos Plaza in downtown Concord on Saturday, Dec. 3 and kick off the holidays with Santa's Grand Arrival at 4 p.m., followed by entertainment by local choirs and dance groups at 5 p.m. Carriage rides will be available for a fee. The Mayor will lead everyone in traditional carols before the lighting of Concord's official holiday tree.

[Learn more](#)

Get your holiday shopping started here

The Concord Senior Center, at 2727 Parkside Circle, will host its annual Holiday Gift & Craft Fair on Friday, December 2 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Fulfill all your holiday shopping needs with unique hand-crafted gift items, jewelry, plants and delicious baked goods. While you're visiting the Senior Center, say 'hello' to the helpful staff - always ready to answer your questions about their services and programs.

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Help prevent flooding by keeping leaves out of the street



Please place leaves, cuttings and other yard trimmings in the Green Waste container provided by Concord Disposal. The City's street sweepers are not designed to pick up piles of leaves in the street. Flooding is likely to occur in areas where debris is left in the streets, eventually blocking the storm drains. You can request pickups of additional green waste by contacting Concord Disposal at 682-9113. Leaves also make great compost!

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Free sandbags now available at the City Corp Yard

Bags, sand and shovels are now available for residents to build sandbags at the City Corporation Yard, 1455 Gasoline Alley, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Filled sandbags are available for the elderly and handicapped by calling (925) 671-3448. Bring shovels and bags to Lime Ridge or Hillcrest Park where sand stations are available for your convenience.

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Diabetes help available at event



The Concord Senior Center at 2727 Parkside Circle will host a Diabetes Health Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 12. Activities include health care lectures, booths with information on diet, foot care, medications, and general diabetes education plus dental, blood glucose, and bone density screening exams, flu vaccinations and more. Special cooking demonstration by renowned diabetes chef Doreen Colondres (pictured).

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Free e-waste drop off and compost giveaway

Concord residents can recycle old computers, printers, televisions, cell phones and other electronic equipment for free on Nov. 12 from 9 a.m. to noon at Mt. Diablo Recycling, 1300 Loveridge Road in Pittsburg. Those dropping off e-waste items will receive up to two bags of free compost. Mt. Diablo Recycling's staff will be on hand to assist people with bulky recycling items; residents can choose to stay in their cars during the drop-off.

[Learn more](#)



Tuesday Farmers' Market is open year round



Even though the Thursday evening Farmers' Market in Todos Santos Plaza has closed for the year, residents can still pick up fresh fruits and vegetables year round at the Tuesday market from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Todos Santos Plaza is located on Willow Pass Road between Grant and Mt. Diablo streets. Look for seasonal specialty items, holiday goodies and colorful flowers.

[Learn more](#)

City offices closed for November holidays

City of Concord offices will be closed Friday, Nov. 11 for Veteran's Day and on Thursday and Friday, Nov. 24 and 25, for the Thanksgiving holiday. Concord Community Pool at 3501 Cowell Rd. will be open Nov. 11 and 25 for lap swim from 10 a.m. to noon. The pool is closed on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 24. Many people will be on the road over the holidays. Buckle up and drive safely.

[Learn more](#)



Concord Fun Fact: De La Salle High School Football Team



Concord De La Salle High School's football team holds the U.S. winning streak record of 151 games, set between 1992 and 2004. During that span, De La Salle won 12 California North Coast sectional championships and was named national champion five different times (once by ESPN, four times by USA Today). In August 2014, a Hollywood film titled [When the Game Stands Tall](#) was released with the plot line based on the 151-game winning streak.

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