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VIVA CALEXICO NEWSLETTER



Dear Citizens of Calexico,

Welcome to the second edition of our city newsletter!

As we transition into the latter half of the year, I am filled with excitement and gratitude for the incredible progress we've made together. Our community's resilience and spirit have been evident in every initiative and event we've undertaken.

In this issue, you'll find exciting updates on ongoing projects and upcoming events that showcase the vibrancy of Calexico. From improvements of our roadways to community programs designed to foster connection and engagement, these efforts reflect our collective dedication to enhancing the quality of life for everyone in our city.

One of the highlights I'm particularly excited about is our new community volunteer program. This initiative aims to bring people together, support local projects, and celebrate the diverse cultural fabric of Calexico. It's an opportunity for us to strengthen our bonds and build a more engaged and supportive community. Our involvement not only enriches our own experience but also contributes to the growth and success of our city as a whole.

Thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm. It is your participation that makes Calexico a place we are all proud to call home. Together, let's keep working toward a brighter and more connected future.

Warm regards,

Camilo Garcia

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City Council
MEETINGS

September 4 & 18
6:30 pm

CITY ADMINISTRATION

- Administration is working on a Memorandum of Understanding with the Calexico Chamber of Commerce.
- Demolition of Fiesta building on Third Street was successfully completed.
- Held GSA meeting regarding pedestrian port of entry project.
- Held bi-weekly department head meetings.
- Held meeting with Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) and the ground breaking for the Transportation Center is scheduled for October.
- Met with CAL OES regarding possible emergency disaster trailer storage at the Calexico Airport.



Measure H Meeting
NOVEMBER 19 @ 5:30 PM

Economic Development & Financial Advisory Meeting
NOVEMBER 12 @ 6 PM

Meetings held at the Fernando “Nene” Torres Council Chambers

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

- On Aug 26th, the Planning Commission approved a conditional use permit for a Starbucks on Cole and Imperial Ave. and a Chick-fil-a Restaurant at the Grand Plaza Outlets area.
- Code Enforcement and Fire Department are working together to bring up-to-date expired business licenses.

Planning Commission Meeting
SEPTEMBER 23 @ 6:30 PM

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Reserve Police Officer
- Firefighter Lateral/Paramedic
- Planning & Building Services Director
- Police Officer
- Police Recruit (Academic Cadet)
- Finance Director
- Public Safety Dispatcher

Visit the city’s website to access the job descriptions, application and other forms.

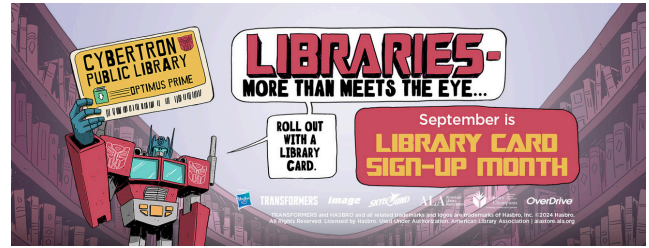
For questions, email: personnel@calexico.ca.gov or call 760-768-2107



LIBRARY DEPARTMENT

Library News

- September is Library Card Sign-Up Month. Have you gotten yours? Visit us!
- Join us as we celebrate a Fiesta Mexicana Family Night on Thursday, September 12th from 5-7 pm. This event is for families with children ages 0-12. Visit the library's website to register.
- Get your license to READ at the library on Thursday, September 19th from 4-6 pm. Calexico Police Officers will be on site. Light refreshments will be served.



- A daily lunch is available for children ages 1-18 from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm thanks to the sponsorship of the Calexico Unified School District

Library Board of Trustees meeting

NOVEMBER 4 @ 6 PM
AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CARNEGIE TECHNOLOGY CENTER

- English as a Second Language classes - Level 1 are starting on September 3rd. and will run through January 30th. Classes are offered Tuesday-Thursday from 5:30-7:00 pm. Preference is given to Calexico residents.
- U.S. Citizenship preparation classes are beginning on Monday, September 9th. This weekly course will run through November 25th.
- 2 air conditioning units are being replaced.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

- Fall Program Registrations are available at : <https://calexicoca.myrec.com> Programs begin September 3, 2024.
- Grandparent's Dance scheduled for September 6, 2024, from 6 pm – 9 pm at the Community Center.
- Viva Mexico Event scheduled for September 10, 2024, from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm at the Carmen Durazo Cultural Arts Center. Free Admission.
- City of Calexico Mural Project Cycle 8 Call for Artists. Program Guidelines and applications can be found at <https://calexicorecreation.org/muralproject>.

Community Services Commission Meeting

SEPTEMBER 11 @ 5:30 PM
AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CITY OF CALEXICO
CALL FOR ARTISTS
Mural Project Cycle 8

PROJECT TIMELINE

CALL FOR ARTISTS	PROPOSAL DEADLINE	ARTIST NOTIFICATION	CYCLE COMPLETION
August 26, 2024	October 28, 2024	December 19, 2024	April 30, 2025

Project Guidelines and Application available at <https://calexicorecreation.org/muralproject>.

For more information, please call the Calexico Recreation Department at (760) 768-2176.



Library Container

Location 1
Area: 1,008 sq. ft.
850 Encinas Avenue

We are looking for a mural that relates to the library, incorporating books, reading, life-long learning, creativity, technology & family.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Held meeting regarding quality of life issues in downtown area
- Created MOU with U.S. Border Patrol to assist with investigations within the department
- Held active shooter training with local agencies at Callexico High School

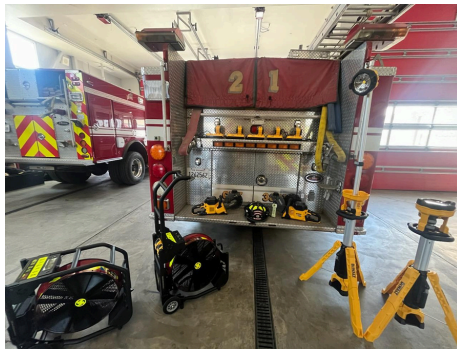
NEW POLICE OFFICER

Welcome Officer Christian Alvarado



FIRE DEPARTMENT

- Town Hall for Fire Station II took place at the William Moreno Junior High on August 12th.
- Fire Department wants to thank the Imperial County Board of Supervisors for granting the Community Benefits Grant in the amount \$24,999.98 for fire equipment.

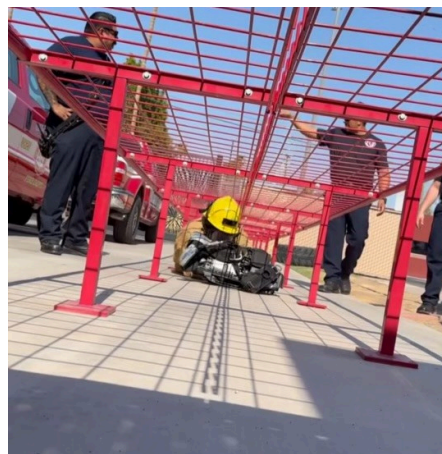


Service CALLS

336 calls
 295 medical calls
 7 fire calls
 7 false alarm
 26 service
 1 electrical wiring issue



PROBATIONARY TRAINING DRILLS



Public Works Department

- The Imperial Irrigation District's Tree Grant Award was granted in the amount of \$35,000. Trees will be planted on Rodriguez Field.
- Staff continues to work on graffiti abatement throughout the city.
- The downtown area is being power washed on a monthly basis.
- Lighting fixtures have been replaced at the Gutierrez Field.
- Meeting held with Imperial County Transportation Commission regarding the upkeep of the new bus stop on 3rd St. and Rockwood Ave.
- Bus stop located on 3rd. St. and Pauline Ave. will be washed twice per week.
- Meeting held with Western States Carpenters Union regarding Rodriguez Field rehabilitation (dug out and concession stand).
- Held meeting with Advanced Lighting Services. They have completed the 3rd St. and Heber Ave. lighting project. Discussed potential projects in collaboration with Imperial Irrigation District for Calexico Downtown lighting and Nosotros Park.



"It is amazing what you can accomplish if you do not care who gets the credit" -- Harry S. Truman

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