City of Carpinteria
City Council Regular Meeting Agenda
Monday, September 8, 2025
Council Chamber, 5775 Carpinteria Avenue, Carpinteria, CA 93013

4:00 p.m. Closed Session - 5:30 p.m. Regular Meeting
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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION MATTER

CLOSED SESSION

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: One case

TEMPORARY ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COUNCILMEMBER(S) REQUEST FOR REMOTE PARTICIPATION UNDER AB 2449: The City Council may consider Councilmember(s) request to participate in the meeting remotely under the regulations of AB 2449 by making the necessary findings and voting on whether the Councilmember(s) may participate remotely.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS: The City Council may modify the regular agenda by tabling items, adding urgency items to the agenda, or changing the order in which items are considered. Changes to the Consent Calendar are considered at the time the Consent Calendar is considered.

INTRODUCTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

2. A Proclamation Declaring September 15, 2025 to October 15, 2025 as Hispanic Heritage Month in the City of Carpinteria. *(Requires taking public comment and approval prior to the City Council reading and presenting the proclamation.)*

3. A Proclamation Proclaiming September 2025 as Suicide Prevention Month in the City of Carpinteria. *(Requires taking public comment and approval prior to the City Council reading and presenting the proclamation.)*

4. A Proclamation Designating the Week of September 8 – 14, 2025 as Celebrate Community Week in the City of Carpinteria. *(Requires taking public comment and approval prior to the City Council reading and presenting the proclamation.)*

TEMPORARY ADJOURNMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF HOLDING THE MONTHLY MEETING OF THE CARPINTERIA LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

RECONVENE THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

This may include updates on law enforcement activity within the City from a Sheriff's Office representative or a report from a representative of the First District Supervisor's Office.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

The City Manager will report to the City Council regarding various City and/or community events and/or matters of interest. There will be no City Council discussion except to ask questions or refer matters to staff; and no action will be taken unless listed on a subsequent agenda or as otherwise specified below.

a. City Employee Updates
b. Updates on Capital Improvement Projects
c. Updates on Development Applications
d. Other City/Community Updates

PLANNING COMMISSION ACTIONS

The City Council may vote to appeal a decision of the Planning Commission to itself by majority vote (CMC 14.78.040(2)).

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

This is a time for public comments on matters not otherwise on the agenda but within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council. The Mayor may establish reasonable regulations for public comment based on the time available and/or the number of persons waiting to speak. Typically, the Council's practice has been to limit each speaker to three minutes. The audio-visual system in the Council Chamber is not available for speaker use during the general Public Comment period.

The City and the City Council are not responsible for the content of statements made during the public comment period, or the factual accuracy of any such statements.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Items on the consent calendar are considered to be routine and are normally enacted by one unanimous vote of the Council. If you wish to speak on a consent calendar item, please do so during the public comment period provided at the beginning of this item.

5. Approve the minutes of the regular meeting held August 25, 2025.

6. Receive and file the Expenditures for the period beginning August 18, 2025 and ending August 29, 2025.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

7. Third Amendment to the Cooperative Agreement with the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments for Carpinteria Circulation Improvements Funds.

   Recommendation: Authorize the Mayor to sign the Third Amendment to the Cooperative Agreement with the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments for Carpinteria Circulation Improvements Funds, providing $409,589 in additional funding for a total of $1,202,045, and extending the performance period through June 2026. *(Requires a roll call vote.)*

   Staff Presenter: Stephon Downes, Management Analyst II

   a. Staff Report
   b. Public Comment
   c. City Council Determination

RECESS (15 Minutes)

RECONVENE THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

PUBLIC HEARING: NONE

CONSIDERATION OF ANY ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR AND/OR OTHER AGENDA ITEMS REQUESTED TO BE ADVANCED

MATTERS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS: NONE

OTHER BUSINESS:

8. Approval of the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Community Services Support Grant Program Funding Recommendations.

   Recommendation: Approve the City Council Finance/Budget Committee's grant award recommendations for the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Community Services Support Grant Program. *(Requires a roll call vote.)*

   Staff Presenter: Ryan Benson, Management Analyst

   a. Staff Report
   b. Public Comment
   c. City Council Determination

9. Approval of a Special Event Permit Application for the 2025 California Avocado Festival, scheduled to run from Friday, October 3, 2025, through Sunday, October 5, 2025, including designation of the event footprint as a public park and authorizing

expenditures for law enforcement, temporary traffic control and street cleaning services.

Recommendation: (1) Approve the Special Event Permit for the 2025 California Avocado Festival pursuant Carpinteria Municipal Code Section §10.68, Special Events; (2) Designate the area of the event footprint as a public park during the hours of operation and approve its use for the event pursuant to Carpinteria Municipal Code §12.24.022, Permits – Special Public Park Use; and (3) Authorize expenditures for law enforcement, temporary traffic control and street cleaning services as described in this Staff Report. *(Requires a roll call vote.)*

Staff Presenter: Shay Darrington, Engineering Technician

a. Staff Report
b. Public Comment
c. City Council Determination

10. Response to the 2025 Santa Barbara County Civil Grand Jury Report, “Santa Barbara South Coast Housing Crisis: A Call to Action.”

Recommendation: (1) Review and approve staff’s recommended responses to the Santa Barbara County Civil Grand Jury Report “Santa Barbara South Coast Housing: A Call to Action;” and (2) Authorize the City Manager to sign and transmit the City’s response to the Presiding Judge, Honorable Patricia Kelly of the Superior Court; to send a copy to the current impaneled Grand Jury; and to file a copy with the City Clerk’s Office.

Staff Presenter: Mindy Fogg, Principal Planner

a. Staff Report
b. Public Comment
c. City Council Determination

11. City Logo Review and Adoption.

Recommendation: Adopt the City logo as presented.

Staff Presenter: Juliza Briones, Program Manager

a. Staff Report
b. Public Comment
c. City Council Determination

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: The City Council will discuss local, state and/or federal legislation under consideration and decide whether to direct staff to place a matter(s) on a future City Council agenda for consideration.

COMMITTEE REPORTS, INQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS PRESENTED BY COUNCILMEMBERS

Informational reports from Councilmember representatives on the committees, commissions and organizations listed below. This is also an opportunity for Councilmembers to request information from staff or seek support from fellow Councilmembers for future agenda items.

1. Appointees to Other Government Agencies

    a. Beach Erosion Authority for Clean Oceans and Nourishment (BEACON) (Mayer/Alt. Clark)
    b. California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (CJPIA) (Solórzano/Alt. Clark)
    c. Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG)(Clark/Alt. Nomura)
    d. Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District (APCD)(Clark/Alt. Nomura)
    e. Central Coast Community Energy (3CE) (Goleta/Alt. Nomura)
    f. Santa Barbara Mosquito and Vector Management District (Joe Franken)
    g. Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District (Solórzano)

2. Regional Committees

    a. Channel Counties Division, League of California Cities (Nomura/Alt. Solórzano)
    b. Santa Barbara Joint Affordable Housing Task Group (Mayer/Alt. Alarcon)
    c. Santa Barbara County Elected Leaders Forum to Address Homelessness (Mayer/Alt. Alarcon)
    d. South Coast Youth Safety Partnership (Solórzano/Alt. Mayer)
    e. Multijurisdictional Solid Waste Task Group (Mayer/Alt. Alarcon)

3. Joint and Standing Committees

    a. City Council/Economic Vitality Committee (Alarcon & Mayer)
    b. City Council/Public Safety Committee (Clark & Nomura)
    c. City Council/School Board Committee (Mayer and Solórzano)
    d. City Council/Utilities Committee (Nomura & Clark)
    e. City Council/First District Supervisor Committee (Alarcon & Mayer)
    f. City Council Finance/Budget Committee (Alarcon & Clark)
    g. Transportation Committee (Clark & Mayer)

h. Development Review Committee (Joint Committee membership from City Council, Planning Commission and Architectural Review Board) (CC: Clark & Nomura) (PC: To Be Selected by Planning Commission) (ARB: Stein & O'Connor)
i. General Plan and Coastal Plan Update Committee (Joint Committee membership from City Council and Planning Commission) (Solórzano & Clark) (PC: Benefield and Salant)
j. Public Facility Site Acquisition/Development Committee (Clark & Nomura)
k. Sustainability Committee (Nomura & Solórzano)
l. Public Engagement Committee (Solórzano & Nomura)

4. Ad Hoc Committees

a. E-Conveyance Committee (Mayer & Alarcon)
b. Immigration Response & Support Committee (Solórzano & Mayer)

5. Appointed Representatives to Area Boards & Committees

a. Community Media Access Center (Gary Dobbins)
b. County Library Advisory Committee (Glynn Birdwell)

ATTENDANCE OF COUNCILMEMBERS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

ADJOURNMENT

The next regular City Council meeting will be held on September 22, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

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Agenda Section: Presentations
Agenda Item No.: 2
Council Meeting Date: September 8, 2025

A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARPINTERIA DECLARING SEPTEMBER 15, 2025 TO OCTOBER 15, 2025 AS "HISPANIC HERITAGE" MONTH IN THE CITY OF CARPINTERIA

***WHEREAS**, Hispanic culture constitutes the foundation of the history of the State of California and the Southwest region of the United States, and Hispanics are justly proud of their rich and diverse cultural heritage, having made positive contributions to the social, artistic, linguistic, and intellectual aspects of our society; and*

***WHEREAS**, generations of proud, hardworking, enterprising Hispanics have contributed to and have strengthened our communities, with countless achievements, and their abiding values in the home and family; and*

***WHEREAS**, Hispanics increasingly impact the political, economic and social growth of our community and state, and constitute approximately 43% of the City's total population, and approximately 40% statewide per the U.S. Census Bureau; and*

***WHEREAS**, as we observe Hispanic Heritage Month, the City encourages all members of the community to recognize the accomplishments and contributions of Hispanics in our community, and the importance of social justice and fair representation for the Hispanic community in all aspects of City life and experience.*

***NOW, THEREFORE**, the City Council of the City of Carpinteria does hereby declare the period September 15, 2025, to October 15, 2025 as "**Hispanic Heritage" Month** in the City of Carpinteria in recognition of the many contributions Hispanics have made to Carpinteria, California and the country, and to promote greater awareness of the rich history and culture of the Hispanic community.*

***IN WITNESS THEREOF**, the Mayor hereunto set their hand and caused the official seal of the City of Carpinteria, California, to be affixed this 8th day of September, 2025.*

Natalia Alarcon, Mayor
City of Carpinteria

ATTEST:

Brian C. Barrett, CMC, CPMC
City Clerk

Agenda Section: Presentations
Agenda Item No.: 3
Council Meeting Date: September 8, 2025

A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARPINTERIA PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 2025 AS "SUICIDE PREVENTION" MONTH IN THE CITY OF CARPINTERIA

***WHEREAS**, this Proclamation recognizes suicide as a public health problem, and suicide prevention as a community responsibility, and designates and proclaims the month of September 2025 as "Suicide Prevention Month" and recognizes the need to address suicide prevention on a daily basis. This is in support and recognition of the ongoing need to address issues of anxiety, depression and suicide; and*

***WHEREAS,** mental health experts are firmly convinced that suicide is preventable through awareness, education, support and treatment; and*

***WHEREAS,** the City promotes awareness of the importance of tending to our mental health, as it is essential, and acknowledges that those living with mental health disabilities are deserving of care, understanding, compassion, and pathways to hope, healing, recovery, fulfillment, and inclusivity; and*

***WHEREAS,** when mental health well-being is centered and promoted, the risk of suicide is decreased; and*

***WHEREAS,** suicide is a serious public health problem that can have lasting harmful effects on individuals, families, and communities; and there are many factors that contribute to suicide; the goal of suicide prevention is to reduce the factors that increase risk and increase factors that promote resilience; and*

***WHEREAS,** the suicide risk has become a more significant concern over the past few years as individuals navigated a global pandemic; adjusted to a new normal; experienced complex trauma, loss, and grief; and endured increased isolation, unemployment, and many other distressing life events; and*

***WHEREAS,** the City emphasizes the importance of the community taking time to center themselves and do the things necessary to prioritize their mental well-being and encourage the community to utilize the tools, education, and resources offered to practice self-care and mental wellness; and*

***WHEREAS**, the City works collaboratively with Santa Barbara County Department of Behavior Wellness, County Public Health and HopeNet of Carpinteria, and appreciates the resources and services they offer to the Carpinteria community in preventing suicide.*

***NOW, THEREFORE,** the City Council of the City of Carpinteria does hereby proclaim that September 2025 be known as "**Suicide Prevention" Month** and recognize the need to address suicide prevention on a daily basis in the City of Carpinteria.*

***IN WITNESS THEREOF**, the Mayor hereunto sets their hand and caused the official seal of the City of Carpinteria, California, to be affixed this 8th day of September 2025.*

Natalia Alarcon, Mayor
City of Carpinteria

ATTEST:

Brian C. Barrett, CMC, CPMC
City Clerk, City of Carpinteria

Agenda Section: Presentations
Agenda Item No.: 4
Council Meeting Date: September 8, 2025

A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARPINTERIA DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 8 – 14, 2025 AS "CELEBRATE COMMUNITY" WEEK IN THE CITY OF CARPINTERIA

WHEREAS, *the Kiwanis International, Lions Club International, Optimist International, and Rotary International service organizations have partnered together in support of Celebrate Community to focus on local community service, and*

WHEREAS, *the aim of Celebrate Community is to encourage service clubs to reach out to one another to work together on projects that improve and benefit local communities; and*

WHEREAS*, in recognition of Celebrate Community, Carpinteria service organizations are planning to partner on local service projects related to health and wellness, food insecurity and hunger, education and literacy, and the environment; and*

WHEREAS*, the City of Carpinteria City Council wishes to recognize the important role local service organizations have in building and maintaining communities by declaring a Celebrate Community Week; and*

WHEREAS*, Celebrate Community Week makes a difference by bringing attention to the important work of local service organizations and making positive changes in our community and the world through service projects.*

NOW, THEREFORE, *the City Council of the City of Carpinteria does hereby designate the week of September 8 – 14, 2025 as "**Celebrate Community" Week** in the City of Carpinteria to recognize the hardworking efforts Carpinteria service organizations provide to the community.*

IN WITNESS THEREOF*; the Mayor hereunto sets their hand and caused the official seal of the City of Carpinteria, California to be affixed this 8th day of September, 2025.*

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Natalia Alarcon, Mayor
City of Carpinteria

ATTEST:

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Brian C. Barrett, CMC, CPMC
City Clerk

CARPINTERIA LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
5775 Carpinteria Avenue
Carpinteria, CA 93013

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2025
5:30 P.M.

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1. Call to order and roll call.

2. Confirmation of legal noticing and procedural requirements of meeting.

3. Public Comment – This is the time for public comments on matters not otherwise on the agenda but within the subject matter of the Carpinteria Library Board of Trustees.

4. Proclamation Proclaiming September 2025 as "Library Card Sign-Up" Month in the City of Carpinteria.

5. Approval of minutes of the regular meeting held July 14, 2025.

6. Carpinteria Community Library Monthly Report – September 2025.

   Recommendation: Receive and file the report.

7. Presentation of the Library Strategic and Operating Plan.

   Recommendation: Receive and file the Library Strategic and Operating Plan.

8. New Business & Discussion.

9. Adjournment.

The Carpinteria Library Board of Trustees agenda and any associated staff reports will be available on Thursday, September 4, 2025 on the City's Website: https://carpinteriaca.gov/city-hall/agendas-meetings/. The Carpinteria Library Board of Trustees agenda and staff reports are part of the City Council agenda for its regular meeting of September 8, 2025. Please see "TEMPORARY ADJOURNMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF HOLDING THE MONTHLY MEETING OF THE CARPINTERIA LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES." Details and procedures on how to provide public comment and participate in the meeting through telephonic means are available on the posted City Council agenda at https://carpinteriaca.gov/city-hall/agendas-meetings/.

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A PROCLAMATION OF THE CARPINTERIA LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 2025 AS "LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP" MONTH IN THE CITY OF CARPINTERIA

WHEREAS, *the month of September is recognized as Library Card Sign-Up Month nationwide; and*

WHEREAS, *libraries provide a learning environment that fosters exploration, encouraging all ages to research subjects that they are genuinely curious about; and*

WHEREAS, *librarians create welcoming and inclusive spaces for people of all backgrounds to learn together and engage with one another; and*

WHEREAS, *libraries provide a variety of books and resources to serve everyone in the community, making knowledge and ideas available so that people have the freedom to choose what to read; and*

WHEREAS, *a library card empowers all people to explore new passions and interests; and*

WHEREAS, *libraries are continually transforming to deliver new services that connect closely with community needs.*

NOW THEREFORE, *the Carpinteria Library Board of Trustees hereby proclaims the month of September 2025 as "Library Card Sign-Up" Month in the City of Carpinteria and encourages all residents to sign up for their own library card today.*

IN WITNESS THEREOF, *the President of the Carpinteria Library Board of Trustees hereunto sets their hand and caused the official seal of the City of Carpinteria, California to be affixed this 8th day of September, 2025.*

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Natalia Alarcon, President
Carpinteria Library Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

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Brian C. Barrett, CMC, CPMC, Secretary
Carpinteria Library Board of Trustees

CARPINTERIA LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
5775 Carpinteria Avenue
Carpinteria, CA 93013

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JULY 14, 2025

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1. Call to order and roll call.

President Alarcon called the meeting to order at 6:12 pm.

Boardmembers present:	Boardmember Al Clark Boardmember Julia Mayer Boardmember Wade T. Nomura Vice President Mónica J. Solórzano President Natalia Alarcon
Staff members present:	Michael Ramirez, Chief Executive Officer Jena Shoaf Acos, Legal Counsel Ryan Kintz, Assistant Chief Executive Officer Eric Castro, City Librarian Brian C. Barrett, Secretary

2. Confirmation of legal noticing and procedural requirements of meeting.

Secretary Barrett acknowledged that all legal noticing and procedural requirements have been met.

3. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

4. Approval of minutes of the regular meeting held June 9, 2025.

There was no public comment.

Motion by Boardmember Mayer, seconded by Vice President Solórzano, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held June 9, 2025. Upon voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

5. Carpinteria Community Library Monthly Report – July 2025.

Recommendation: Receive and file the report.

City Librarian Castro presented the staff report.

Speakers in-person: Rogelio Delgado

Motion by Vice President Solórzano, seconded by Boardmember Nomura, to receive and file the report. Upon voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

6. New Business & Discussion.

There was no new business nor discussion.

7. Adjournment.

President Alarcon adjourned the meeting at 6:25 pm.

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Brian C. Barrett, CMC, CPMC, Secretary

City of Carpinteria

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES AGENDA STAFF REPORT
September 08, 2025

ITEM FOR LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES CONSIDERATION

Carpinteria Community Library Monthly Report – September 2025

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Receive and file the report.

Sample Motion: I move to receive and file the Carpinteria Community Library report.

BACKGROUND

The Carpinteria Community Library, established by Ordinance No. 747 on June 14, 2021, and added to the Municipal Code, Chapter 2.38, also established a Library Board of Trustees (section 2.38.030) to meet at least once a month.

The purpose of this agenda item is to provide Council an update on the Library's programs, outreach efforts, operations, and staff changes, if any.

DISCUSSION

Program and Collection Updates:

The 2025 Summer Reading Program, *Take Me to Your Reader*, concluded on August 2. This year, 162 children and 57 adults registered online, while 435 children visited the library in person to share what they were reading. Thanks to the generosity of our local supporters, the Library was able to award hundreds of dollars' worth of fun, active, and educational prizes to participants.

On July 28, the Library partnered with the Mexican Consulate to host an informational session for the Mexican immigrant community in Carpinteria. Topics included dual citizenship for U.S.-born children, passport applications, how to schedule consular appointments, and other available services. The event was well attended, drawing 106 participants.

On August 29, the Library launched its Teen Gaming Club. This ongoing program takes place every Friday from 3:15–4:15 p.m. in the Community Room. Teens can enjoy board games, card games, tabletop role-playing games, and video games (rated “E” or “T”).

The Library of Things collection continues to grow with the recent addition of a sewing machine kit. Available for checkout, the kit includes sewing tools and a wide selection of 36 thread colors, providing patrons with a versatile resource for creative projects.

Finally, the Library is relaunching Brainfuse HelpNow, a 24/7 on-demand tutoring service supporting all K–12 subjects. In addition to instant tutoring and homework help, the service offers a writing lab, test preparation resources, ELL/ESL support, and foreign language assistance. This year, Carpinteria schools will have direct access to HelpNow through their own school websites—at no cost.

Staff Updates:

Community Engagement Library Specialist: The position was filled by an internal candidate, Terra Furuta, following a competitive recruitment and selection process. Terra started her new full-time role on August 26.

Library Outreach:

On July 18, the Black Gold Library System Directors visited the Carpinteria Library and had their Administrators Council meeting in the Library Community Room.

On August 19, the Library participated in Girls Inc.'s Back-to-School Night to promote library services and highlight the online homework help resources available to students

On August 29 and September 4, the Library welcomed approximately 65 second-grade students from Canalino Elementary School. The students received an orientation on how to use library resources, and those without existing accounts were able to register and receive their own library cards.

The Library is currently coordinating additional class visits from Carpinteria Middle School to be scheduled for September.

Library Strategic Plan Update: The strategic planning process has been finished. Below is the schedule for presentations:

- **August 4:** Presentation to the Library Advisory Commission and members of the Carpinteria Friends of the Library Board of Directors.
- **August 7:** Presentation and debriefing with library staff.

- **August 25:** The Strategic Plan was made available for public review.
- **September 8:** Presentation to the Library Board of Trustees.

This timeline ensures that key stakeholders remain informed and engaged as the Library implements the strategic plan.

Grants and Partnerships:

On August 5, the Library was awarded a Career Online High School (COHS) Grant from the California State Library and has begun the initial phases of implementation. COHS is a free, fully online program offered through public libraries that enables participants to earn an accredited high school diploma while also completing a career certificate. The program will be integrated into the Library's Literacy Program and will be available to Carpinteria residents ages 19 and older.

On August 26, the Library received official confirmation that its Zip Books Program Grant application was approved by the California State Library. The Zip Books Program provides library patrons with expedited access to books not currently available in the Library's catalog. When a title is requested, the Library purchases it through Amazon, and the book is shipped directly to the patron's home. Once finished, the patron returns the book to the Library, where it becomes part of the permanent collection.

On August 28, the Library became a Community Access Partner with MOXI, The Wolf Museum of Exploration + Innovation. As part of this partnership, the Library received eight annual passes valued at $4,000, provided at no cost. These passes can be checked out for one week by any adult Carpinteria Library cardholder and grant admission to MOXI for up to two adults and five children per visit.

POLICY CONSISTENCY

The Library programs and resources are consistent with the actions of the City Council concerning the establishment of a municipal library.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

All resources and activities are budgeted in the FY2025-2026 Library budget.

LEGAL AND RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

As determined necessary and appropriate, staff consults with the City Attorney's Office and risk managers of its insurance entity, the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority, in order to ensure compliance with legal requirements and best practices.

OPTIONS

1. Receive and file.
2. Direct staff as appropriate.

PRINCIPAL PARTIES EXPECTED AT MEETING

None

ATTACHMENTS

No attachments

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Signature

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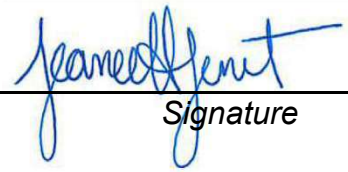

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City of Carpinteria

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES AGENDA STAFF REPORT
September 08, 2025

ITEM FOR LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES CONSIDERATION

Presentation of the Library Strategic and Operating Plan

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Receive and file the Library Strategic and Operating Plan.

Sample Motion: I move to receive and file the Carpinteria Community Library report.

BACKGROUND

In January 2025, the Carpinteria Community Library issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) seeking consulting services to develop a Strategic and Operating Plan. Three proposals were received, and Tiny Footprint Farm, LLC (dba The Door Coaching) was selected. In March 2025, Principal Consultant Akiliah Manuel entered into a contract with the City to lead the planning process.

The consultant's scope of work included:

- Facilitating two sessions with library staff to gather input and conduct collaborative planning.
- Hosting two to three bilingual community forums (English and Spanish), with targeted outreach to non-library users.
- Meeting with the Library Advisory Commission, Friends of the Carpinteria Library, and the Library Board of Trustees to gather input.
- Hosting visioning workshops and presenting the draft plan to the Library Advisory Commission and Friends prior to the final presentation to the Library Board of Trustees.

The purpose of this agenda item is to present the final Library Strategic and Operating Plan (Attachment A) to the Library Board of Trustees.

DISCUSSION

The Library's Strategic and Operating Plan provides a roadmap for the future of the Carpinteria Community Library. Developed through staff collaboration, public surveys, community asset mapping, and community conversations, the plan identifies both internal strengths and challenges as well as external opportunities and threats.

Key highlights of the plan include:

- Community Feedback: Residents expressed strong support for the library as a central hub, with a desire for expanded programming, bilingual services, and deeper partnerships with local schools and businesses.
- Strategic Goals: Over the next three years, the plan focuses on strengthening communication and outreach, enhancing programs for teens and underserved populations, expanding bilingual and culturally relevant services, and improving operational excellence and staff support.
- Long-Term Vision: The 10-year vision outlines aspirations for expanded facilities, extended hours of operation, stronger youth engagement, and positioning the library as a civic and cultural landmark—"the jewel of the city."

This plan represents a shared vision developed with input from staff, the community, the Library Advisory Commission, Friends of the Carpinteria Library, and the Library Board of Trustees. It will serve as both a guiding document and a working tool for decision-making, resource allocation, and future growth.

POLICY CONSISTENCY

This item supports **City Council Primary Goal #1:** Enhance Public Outreach, Education, and Transparency.

It also aligns with the City's commitment to good governance, including open communication, performance management, and the efficient use of public resources.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

There are no additional budgetary impacts associated with this item. Many of the plan's goals can be accomplished with existing resources. The FY 2025–2027 Budget includes sufficient funding for Library programming and operations over the next two years.

LEGAL AND RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

No legal or risk concerns were identified with this item. The City Attorney will be available at the City Council meeting to address any legal questions.

OPTIONS

1. Receive and file the Library Strategic and Operating Plan.
2. Receive and file the Library Strategic and Operating Plan and provide additional direction to staff.
3. Do not receive and file the Library Strategic and Operating Plan and provide direction to staff.

PRINCIPAL PARTIES EXPECTED AT MEETING

None

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Carpinteria Community Library Strategic & Operating Plan
Attachment B: Library Strategic & Operating Plan Presentation

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ATTACHMENT A

Carpinteria Community Library Strategic & Operating Plan

CARPINTERIA
COMMUNITY LIBRARY

STRATEGIC & OPERATING PLAN

AUGUST 2025

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INTRODUCTION

A MESSAGE FROM **ERIC CASTRO** CITY LIBRARIAN

The Carpinteria Community Library Strategic and Operational Plan represents many months of team meetings, community research, and hours of discussion and deliberation by residents of Carpinteria and library patrons. The establishment of a city-run library in 2022 and a three-year period of stabilization in which the library became a central part of the community, it was time to reflect and cast a vision for the future.

We began the process by facilitating team meetings where attendees identified the library's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and challenges. This served as a solid foundation before we pivoted our attention beyond the library walls to the broader community and additional stakeholders.

A strength-based approach was used to assess our city's needs, starting with community canvassing to identify local assets. The analysis continued through community conversations and survey responses, which were promoted via flyers, social media, the local newspaper, and our website.

The goals developed during this five-month process are outlined in this document. To ensure effective implementation, Strategies and Milestones have been included to guide our ongoing progress.

I extend my heartfelt thanks to the Carpinteria community for their active engagement in this planning process, and to the Friends of the Carpinteria Library for their continued support. I am also deeply grateful to the Library Board of Trustees, Library Advisory Commission, City Manager Michael Ramirez, Mayor Natalia Alarcon, the City Council, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services Jeanette Gant, and our dedicated library staff for their unwavering commitment.

This plan reflects our shared vision of a library that serves, embraces, and uplifts everyone in the community. I hope it resonates with you, as I believe it offers a clear and inspiring roadmap for the continued growth and excellence of the Carpinteria Community Library.

Sincerely,

Eric M. Castro, City Librarian

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THE LIBRARY AND COMMUNITY

MISSION AND VISION STATEMENT

Mission Statement:

We provide a place where all are welcome to learn, play, and relax.

OVERVIEW

History:

For over a century, the Carpinteria Community Library (CCL) has evolved in both its services and locations. Originally established on November 8, 1910, Carpinteria became home to California's first county branch library, marking the beginning of the Santa Barbara County branch system. A historical plaque on Linden Avenue commemorates the original site. In 1936, it moved to its current home at 5141 Carpinteria Avenue, where it continues to serve the community today.

Initially managed by the Santa Barbara Public Library (SBPL) system beginning in 1916, the library transitioned to independent city governance on July 1, 2022. Now operated by the City of Carpinteria, this shift was authorized by a City Council resolution. Local patrons now use a city-issued library card that grants access to both Carpinteria's collection and the broader Black Gold Cooperative Library System.

OVERVIEW

The organization known as the Friends of the Carpinteria Library, established in 1967, has played an essential role in sustaining the library by serving as the sole funding source for its physical and digital collections. Additionally, a Library Advisory Commission, composed of residents, collaborates with the City Librarian to guide services, programming, and long-term planning.

Today, CCL is emerging as a culturally rich and inclusive community hub—honoring its historical legacy while offering vibrant programs and services.

Community Makeup
According to the 2020 Decennial Census, Carpinteria has an estimated population of 13,324. The racial makeup of Carpinteria is approximately 53% White, 48.8% Latino, 1.7% Native American, 2.2% Asian, and less than one percent Black or African American.

Languages spoken in Carpinteria include English (64.1%), Spanish (30.3%), Indo-European languages (3.5%), Asian and Pacific Island languages (1.6%), and other languages (0.4%).

Approximately 27.6% of adults lack basic literacy skills in Santa Barbara County. This is compared to 28% of adults in California, which has the lowest literacy rate in the United States. While literacy rates for the city of Carpinteria are not available, county and state statistics reflect the need for continued literacy services.

THE INTERNAL ENVIRONMENT

Library Personnel for Fiscal Year 2025 | Total FTE's= 4

1-City Librarian	1-Community Engagement Library Specialist	4-Library Technicians (18 hrs. per wk.)	1-Literacy Coordinator (10 hrs. per wk.)

CCL is funded to employ a workforce of five people (4 full-time equivalents), along with volunteers who host and assist with programs, including literacy, care and repair of books, physical processing, and shelf maintenance.

The CCL operational budget is $860,345 per year. Salaries and benefits account for 54%, collections for 13.6%, and other operating expenditures for 16.8%. Income sources include the City of Carpinteria (86%), state funding (2%), federal funding (<1%), and all other combined sources (11.3%).

Because CCL's intended audience is the community at large, customer service and program delivery are core priorities of the library. In the last fiscal year, we delivered 578 programs, 522 of them onsite, which were attended by 8,569 residents. Our overall patronage was 63,361 people in FY 2023–2024. There are 3,669 registered library users, of which 565 (15%) are children.

The library offers robust digital and physical collections. The Friends of the Carpinteria Library are the exclusive sponsors of the physical collection, contributing roughly $50,000 per year. This is made possible through private donations, bequests to the Friends, and sales from the Friends of the Library bookstore. CCL holds 13,920 print volumes, along with 190 audio items, 1,940 videos, and 18 serial subscriptions. Total circulation of all physical materials, including print, audio, video, hotspots, and Library of Things, was 60,749.

The electronic collection includes digital books, serials, videos, audio (books and music), research databases, and learning platforms. Sponsors include the City of Carpinteria, the California State Library, and the consortium. CCL circulated 45,919 electronic items last year.

The digital and physical collections are extended through CCL's membership in the Black Gold Consortium. The consortium participates in interlibrary loans, which allowed registered members to access an additional 7,000 volumes last fiscal year. The total library circulation was 106,668, an increase of 25,698 from the previous year.

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ASSESSMENT

INTERNAL ANALYSIS
CONSOLIDATED FROM STAFF MEMBERS

Internal Strengths:

The Carpinteria Community Library is recognized by its staff as a vibrant and vital institution, deeply embedded in the fabric of the community. One of its core strengths is its small size, which fosters a strong sense of identity, close-knit teamwork, and responsive service.

The library's autonomy, combined with its inclusion in regional consortia, allows for both flexibility and collaboration, enhancing its reach and impact.

Staff take pride in their cooperative spirit and commitment to professional growth, regularly engaging in training to better serve the public. Their responsiveness to patron needs—going above and beyond to research or assist with any reasonable request—has earned the trust and appreciation of the community.

Support from the City Administration and the Friends of the Library (FOL), who contribute generously through bookstore operations and fiscal support for collections and programs, reinforces the library's sustainability. The library is widely regarded as a safe, reliable, and welcoming space: a true hub for information, resources, and connection.

Its strong social capital, active community involvement, and strategic partnerships enrich the variety and quantity of programs offered. Collectively, these elements position the Carpinteria Community Library as an indispensable and deeply valued community asset.

Internal Weaknesses:

Staff at the Carpinteria Community Library have thoughtfully identified several key areas of weakness that present challenges to operations and growth. A primary concern is the division of labor, as current staffing levels are stretched thin and there are not enough hours to fully meet service demands. This strain is compounded by the limited number of IT support hours allocated to the library each week, which is insufficient for critical functions such as accessing library laptops.

The library's physical space also presents a constraint. There are no dedicated study rooms, and the single meeting room is in constant use, limiting opportunities for additional programs or private use. In terms of community engagement, the absence of a formal relationship with the local school district hinders potential collaboration and outreach to younger audiences.

Language access is another area of concern. The foreign language collection is limited, and there is no Spanish-speaking staff available on weekends, creating a barrier for Spanish-speaking patrons during key service hours. Safety is a significant issue, as staff have frequently worked alone in the building without a support policy in place, raising concerns about best practices and staff well-being. Additionally, the library lacks formalized policies overall, which contributes to operational inconsistencies. Staff also face the ongoing challenge of balancing competing community needs—particularly between older, affluent residents and young families.

These challenges are further intensified by ongoing organizational transitions.

External Opportunities:

Staff have identified a range of opportunities that position the Carpinteria Community Library to expand its impact and deepen its service to the community. A major opportunity lies in broadening access and engagement by expanding services to a wider array of diverse groups, including LGBTQ+ individuals, teens, adults, affinity groups, and community members who are blind, deaf, or neurodivergent.

Clarifying the library's programming and collection priorities in alignment with its mission and strategic direction is another key opportunity. Doing so would ensure that resources are used intentionally and in service of the community's most pressing needs.

Marketing and promotion also present significant opportunities for growth, particularly through improved outreach to underrepresented populations using a mix of social media, targeted print materials, and in-person engagement.

Exploring mobile outreach options, such as a mobile library could help reach individuals who face barriers to visiting the physical location. Strengthening partnerships with the local school district would foster educational collaboration and provide new pathways for youth engagement.

Professional development remains important for growth, with a focus on increasing staff's technical proficiency and digital confidence. Transitioning the library's website to the Black Gold Consortium platform would enhance user experience and improve resource integration. Programs such as Career Online High School offer avenues to support lifelong learning and workforce readiness.

Finally, the library has the potential to cultivate stronger relationships with the local business community. Through specialized programming for business owners, farm operators, and members of the agricultural workforce and their families, the library can serve as a bridge to information, opportunity, and economic empowerment.

External Challenges:

The staff of the Carpinteria Community Library have identified several pressing challenges that could hinder the library's ability to fully realize its mission. Chief among these is the issue of unsecured and uncertain funding. The lack of a guaranteed, stable budget creates ongoing financial insecurity, making it difficult to plan for the long term, invest in new initiatives, or confidently sustain current services.

This uncertainty is further compounded by a recurring pattern of denied requests for additional staffing, particularly those related to safety and service capacity. As a result, the library struggles to meet community needs and uphold best practices, especially in maintaining a safe and adequately supported work environment.

Another critical challenge is the perceived resistance among certain segments of the broader community to serving underserved populations, including LGBTQIA+ individuals. This tension presents a barrier to equity-focused outreach and inclusive programming, both of which are essential to the library's values and long-term vision.

Together, these challenges underscore the need for greater financial stability, institutional support, and open community dialogue to ensure the library remains a safe, inclusive, and well-resourced space for all.

COMMUNITY ANALYSIS

The following are consolidated summaries from the community asset mapping, public survey responses, and community conversations.

Community Asset Mapping Summary

Desires Identified:

1. Stronger Library Engagement:
   - Frequent references to the "library" suggest it is a central community hub.
   - Community members expressed interest in English classes, reading programs, and enhanced library services.
   - There is a desire for the library to partner with local businesses and schools to promote educational and cultural activities.
2. Partnership Opportunities:
   - Several establishments (like Starbucks, Don Roge's, and Pacific Health Foods) show openness to collaborate on community events and library programs.
   - There's a strong inclination towards business-community partnerships, especially for youth programs and summer reading initiatives.
3. Community Cohesion and Support:
   - Residents value family-oriented and locally rooted activities.
   - They appreciate inclusive spaces and seem eager for platforms that amplify diverse voices, especially among immigrants and non-English speakers.

Difficulties Identified:

1. Language Barriers: "language and cultural barriers" same environment and style of welcoming to everyone and more bilingual and representation. (Debrief with library staff)
   - Multiple notes reference initial shyness or hesitation that dissipates when communication occurs in Spanish.
   - This highlights a linguistic accessibility gap that affects participation and comfort in community services.
2. Transportation and Commuting Challenges:
   - Several mentions of commuting difficulties, especially when accessing services or engaging in programs outside one's immediate neighborhood.

3. Misinformation and Perception Gaps:
- Some individuals expressed misunderstandings about library changes or programs (e.g., post-separation from the county system).
- Indicates a need for clearer communication and outreach about institutional changes and available resources.

4. Underutilized Assets: Library and Friends.
- Although there are enthusiastic individuals and businesses, not all feel connected to or aware of how to engage with community programs.
- Indicates potential for better mobilization of existing human and commercial assets.

Public Survey Summary
- Library Services Used Most Frequently – borrowing books and materials is the top service.
- Online Resources Usage – most respondents use digital offerings like eBooks and databases.
- Reflection of Community Needs – many feel the library reflects the community well, though some see room for improvement.
- Event Awareness – patrons hear about events primarily through email newsletters, word of mouth, and social media.

Community Conversations Summary

Most Frequently Mentioned Themes:
- Library as a Community Hub a.k.a. “third place” – A consistent sense of the library being a welcoming, central space.
- Need for More Space – Requests for expanded facilities, second stories, and more room for programs and services.
- Children & Family Programming – High interest in more activities and support for children and working families.

Moderately Emphasized Themes:
- Technology & Innovation – Interest in tech access and new experiences (e.g., tech petting zoo).
- Bilingual / Spanish Accessibility – Particularly valued in conversations with Spanish-speaking participants.
- Cultural Inclusion & Diversity – Including intergenerational, neurodivergent, and diverse cultural perspectives.
- Staff Friendliness / Service – Specific praise and requests for consistently welcoming staff.

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GOALS AND VISION

Three-Year Strategic Goals

Goal 1: Communication

Improve transparency and engagement by strengthening communication and outreach efforts around institutional changes and available resources, ensuring community members are well-informed and supported.

Strategy 1.1: Have consistent and quality social media presence that includes specialized promotional campaigns

Year 1 Milestones:

- Q1: Audit current social media platforms for engagement and consistency
- Q2: Develop a social media policy and posting schedule
- Q3: Launch one themed promotional campaign (e.g., Summer Reading or Library Card Sign-Up Month)
- Q4: Train staff in content creation and platform-specific best practices

Year 2 Milestones:

- Q1–Q2: Implement bi-monthly specialized campaigns tied to programs, services, or community events
- Q3: Launch Instagram Reels or TikTok content to increase reach (if applicable)
- Q4: Review analytics to adjust strategies and increase engagement

Year 3 Milestones:

- Q1: Conduct annual review of campaigns' impact
- Q2–Q4: Expand targeted content for diverse groups (e.g., teens, Spanish speakers, seniors)

Strategy 1.2: Cross-promote databases and programs to community groups/various audiences

Year 1 Milestones:

- Q1: Identify key community groups and outreach opportunities
- Q2: Develop cross-promotional toolkit (flyers, email templates, blurbs)
- Q3: Pilot cross-promotion with 3–5 community partners
- Q4: Begin including database highlights in program announcements

Year 2 Milestones:

- Q1–Q2: Host joint events or presentations that showcase programs and databases
- Q3: Develop multi-language promotional materials
- Q4: Evaluate partnership reach and adjust outreach strategies

Year 3 Milestones:

- Q1–Q4: Maintain quarterly cross-promotions and deepen community partnerships
- Q4: Survey partners and users to assess awareness and impact

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Strategy 1.3: Migrate the website to the Black Gold Consortium

Year 1 Milestones:

- Q1: Confirm timeline and requirements with Black Gold Consortium
- Q2: Audit current website content and structure
- Q3: Begin migrating content and updating branding elements
- Q4: Conduct usability testing and gather staff feedback

Year 2 Milestones:

- Q1: Finalize migration and launch new website
- Q2: Train staff in updating and maintaining the new platform
- Q3: Launch public campaign introducing new website features
- Q4: Begin collecting user feedback for ongoing improvements

Year 3 Milestones:

- Q1–Q4: Monitor analytics and address any user issues
- Q3: Implement additional features (e.g., accessibility tools, language options)

Goal 2: Programs

Enhance community impact by implementing engaging programs for teens and building partnerships with organizations to provide supportive services addressing critical patron needs such as mental health and homelessness.

Strategy 2.1: Engage with teens and co-design programs, including the formation of a Teen Advisory Board

Year 1 Milestones:

- Q1: Conduct outreach through schools and youth organizations to identify teen interests and potential advisory board members

- Q2: Form a Teen Advisory Board (TAB) with clear roles, expectations, and meeting schedule
- Q3: Host the first TAB-led brainstorming session for teen programs
- Q4: Launch one pilot program co-designed by teens (e.g., game night, mental wellness event, book club)

Year 2 Milestones:

- Q1: Establish a consistent meeting calendar for TAB and integrate their input into quarterly teen programming
- Q2: Expand teen engagement through peer-to-peer outreach and social media takeovers
- Q3: Offer leadership development opportunities for TAB members (e.g., event planning, public speaking)
- Q4: Evaluate the impact of teen-led programs through surveys or focus groups

Year 3 Milestones:

- Q1–Q2: Launch an annual teen showcase or summit highlighting TAB contributions
- Q3: Recruit new members to sustain the TAB and promote succession planning
- Q4: Integrate teen feedback into broader library programming decisions and strategic planning

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Strategy 2.2: Initiate and maintain partnerships with social service agencies that will address critical patron issues on site

Year 1 Milestones:

- Q1: Identify priority patron needs (e.g., mental health, housing, food insecurity) through staff input and community feedback
- Q2: Map and reach out to relevant social service agencies
- Q3: Establish at least two initial partnerships and pilot on-site presence or pop-up events
- Q4: Develop protocols for referrals, space use, and staff coordination

Year 2 Milestones:

- Q1: Formalize partnership agreements or MOUs with core service providers
- Q2: Offer regular, scheduled on-site services (e.g., weekly case management, monthly legal aid)
- Q3: Host a resource fair or community service day at the library
- Q4: Gather feedback from patrons and partners to assess effectiveness and improve coordination

Year 3 Milestones:

- Q1–Q2: Expand partnerships to include additional agencies or targeted services (e.g., youth-specific, immigrant support)
- Q3: Integrate partner services into promotional materials and staff training
- Q4: Evaluate long-term impact and sustainability of partnerships and adjust model as needed

Goal 3: Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

Expand inclusive access by developing and offering culturally relevant programs in Spanish for Latino newcomers and ensuring children's programming is accessible to working families through thoughtful scheduling and community-responsive design.

Strategy 3.1 : Develop and deliver culturally relevant programs in Spanish for Latino newcomers

Year 1 Milestones:

- Q1: Conduct community outreach to identify interests and barriers for Spanish-speaking patrons
- Q2: Partner with local Latino-serving organizations for input and promotion
- Q3: Launch at least two Spanish-language or bilingual programs (e.g., story time, tech help, cultural events)
- Q4: Begin translating key library materials (flyers, program descriptions, website content)

Year 2 Milestones:

- Q1: Establish ongoing Spanish-language programming calendar
- Q2: Train select staff in cultural competency and Spanish-language customer service basics
- Q3: Host a Spanish-language community feedback session
- Q4: Evaluate attendance and satisfaction; adjust offerings as needed

Year 3 Milestones:

- Q1–Q2: Expand programming to include Spanish-language workshops (e.g., citizenship, financial literacy)
- Q3: Feature bilingual authors or performers during Hispanic Heritage Month
- Q4: Create a formal evaluation report on Latino community engagement and outcomes

Strategy 3.2: Ensure children's programs are accessible to working families through thoughtful scheduling and design

Year 1 Milestones:

- Q1: Survey families to understand preferred times and days for children's programs
- Q2: Pilot evening and weekend children's programs
- Q3: Offer story times or activities at local community centers or schools
- Q4: Evaluate pilot outcomes through attendance and parent feedback

Year 2 Milestones:

- Q1: Adjust regular children's programming schedule based on pilot results
- Q2: Launch a rotating after-hours family event series (e.g., Pajama Storytime, Weekend STEAM)
- Q3: Partner with childcare providers and family resource centers for cross-promotion
- Q4: Develop family-friendly outreach kits for use at off-site events

Year 3 Milestones:

- Q1: Establish permanent evening/weekend programming options in seasonal calendars
- Q2: Host quarterly community roundtables with working parents for input
- Q3–Q4: Collaborate with local employers, schools, and community centers to co-host family-friendly programs during high-traffic times (e.g., after work or school events), and offer flexible program formats such as drop-in sessions or take- home kits to better meet the needs of working caregivers.

Goal 4: Operational Excellence and Staff Support

Establish clear policies and procedures that promote consistent operations, ensure safe staffing ratios in public-facing departments, and support fair and equitable distribution of labor across teams to maintain service quality and staff well-being.

Strategy 4.1: Develop and implement consistent policies and procedures to guide operations

Year 1 Milestones:

- Q1: Conduct an internal audit of existing policies and identify operational gaps
- Q2: Create a policy and procedures working group with cross-department representation

- Q3: Draft and review standard operating procedures (SOPs) for key functions (e.g., circulation, safety, scheduling)
- Q4: Launch centralized internal access to policies (e.g., intranet or shared drive) and provide staff training

Year 2 Milestones:

- Q1: Finalize and publish a comprehensive policy and procedures manual
- Q2: Establish a review cycle and feedback process for continuous policy updates
- Q3–Q4: Conduct annual staff training on updated procedures and solicit feedback for improvement

Year 3 Milestones:

- Q1: Evaluate effectiveness of SOPs through staff surveys and incident tracking
- Q2–Q3: Revise and streamline policies based on usage and efficiency data
- Q4: Integrate policy review into onboarding and performance evaluation processes

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Strategy 4.2: Ensure safe and sustainable staffing ratios in public-facing departments

Year 1 Milestones:

- Q1: Assess current staffing levels and patterns by, time, and service demand
- Q2: Establish staffing benchmarks for safety and service standards
- Q3: Present staffing findings to leadership and advocate for resource adjustments
- Q4: Pilot new staffing models (e.g., shift staggering, floater positions, changing hours of operation)

Year 2 Milestones:

- Q1: Implement scheduling tools or templates to optimize shift coverage
- Q2: Track staff workload and service interruptions to identify pressure points
- Q3: Adjust staffing levels and schedules based on data and feedback
- Q4: Include staffing ratios in annual budget and planning processes

Year 3 Milestones:

- Q1: Review incident reports and patron satisfaction data to evaluate staffing impact
- Q2: Develop contingency plans for staffing shortages (e.g., cross-training, relief pool)
- Q3–Q4: Institutionalize a staffing evaluation process tied to strategic and budget planning

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Strategy 4.3: Promote equitable distribution of labor and support staff well-being

Year 1 Milestones:

- Q1: Survey staff to identify workload concerns and improvement opportunities
- Q2: Conduct role and task analysis across departments
- Q3: Facilitate cross-departmental conversations about workload equity
- Q4: Begin standardizing and rebalancing duties across roles and locations

Year 2 Milestones:

- Q1: Create a transparent framework for task delegation and accountability
- Q2: Launch professional development on time management and self-care
- Q3: Introduce wellness initiatives (e.g., break areas, flex schedules, peer support)
- Q4: Establish regular feedback loops (e.g., anonymous check-ins, team reflections)

Year 3 Milestones:

- Q1: Evaluate impact of changes on morale, retention, and service quality
- Q2: Update job descriptions and workflows to reflect more balanced responsibilities
- Q3–Q4: Recognize and reward departments for excellence in collaboration and workload equity

Library Visioning Sessions Summary & Proposal

Overview: As part of the 10-year strategic visioning process, two sessions were conducted with the Library Advisory Committee (LAC), the Friends of the Library, and the Library Board of Trustees. Each group was asked, "If we had no constraints, what could the library accomplish in 10 years?" Their responses aligned closely with the desires expressed by the community through the public survey, community conversations, and community asset mapping.

Shared Vision Priorities:

1. Expanded Physical Space & Infrastructure

- Both groups prioritized the need for significant physical expansion.
- Ideas include multi-level buildings, a second story, activity rooms, and facilities that meet growing demands.
- Vision of a landmark building that serves as a community hub and city jewel.

2. Greater Accessibility

- A consistent call to keep the library open 7 days a week.
- The Trustees also envisioned extended daily hours (9 a.m. to 9 p.m.).

3. Collection Development

- Shared recognition of the need to grow and modernize the collection.
- While LAC emphasizes expanding the overall collection, Trustees favor a pivot toward digital resources.

4. Youth Engagement & Literacy

- Teen programming ranked highly among LAC and Friends.
- The trustees' desires for a makerspace and crafting areas also support youth engagement

Distinct Group Visions:

Theme	LAC & Friends of the Library	Library Board of Trustees
Technology & Innovation	The library as a tech hub with daily tech help for all ages.	Focus on specialized spaces: computer lab, maker space.
Community Outreach	Bookmobile service to expand reach.	On-site support for patrons experiencing homelessness.
Partnerships	Collaboration with the school board to ensure all children read by 3rd grade.	No direct partnerships discussed.
Cultural Inclusion	Not explicitly highlighted.	Emphasis on cultural awareness and multilingual resources.
Sustainability	Not a top-ranking theme.	Not mentioned.
Philosophical Role	Service-oriented approach with community literacy goals.	Envisions library as a central civic institution and landmark.

Strategic Recommendations

1. **Develop a Capital Improvement Plan**
   - Assess the feasibility of expanding or rebuilding the library to accommodate long-term vision goals.
2. **Pursue a Hybrid Collection Strategy**
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Conclusion: This combined vision reflects both the deep community roots and the forward-thinking ambition of Carpinteria Library stakeholders. Integrating these themes into the next 10 years will position the library as a transformative, inclusive, and enduring institution for the decade ahead and beyond.

ATTACHMENT B

Library Strategic & Operating Plan Presentation

Carpinteria Library's Three-Year Plan and 10 Year Vision

Presented by Akiliah Manuel, MLIS
Principal, The Door Coaching

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What We'll Cover in the next 40 mins.

- *The Process*
- *The Feedback*
- *The Plan*
- *10 Minutes for Q&A*

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The Process

"Gathering information from as many stake holders as possible to inform the planning."

- Library Staff
- Friends of the Library
- Library Advisory Commission
- Library Board of Trustees
- Regular Patrons
- Non and Infrequent Patrons

- Documentation
- Group Facilitation
- Visioning Sessions
- SWOT Analysis
- Community Asset Mapping
- In-Person Interviews
- Surveys

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Fully Aligned with the City's Plan

Primary Goal #1
Enhance Public Outreach, Education and Transparency

Primary Goal #3
Enhance Quality of Life for Residents

Primary Goal #4
Maintain the Fiscal Sustainability of the City

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The Feedback

SWOT

INTERNAL STRENGTHS

- Strong team identity and responsive service due to small size
- Autonomous yet collaborative through regional consortia
- Committed to professional development and patron care
- Support from City Administration and Friends of the Library
- Welcoming, safe, and reliable community hub
- Rich social capital and active strategic partnerships

EXTERNAL OPPORTUNITIES

- Expand engagement with diverse and underserved groups
- Clarify programming and collection priorities
- Enhance marketing and targeted outreach
- Explore mobile outreach solutions
- Strengthen partnerships with schools and businesses
- Boost staff technical skills and platform transitions

INTERNAL WEAKNESSES

- Staff stretched thin; unclear division of labor
- Insufficient IT support and technical restrictions
- Lack of study rooms and overbooked meeting space
- No formal school district partnership
- Limited weekend Spanish language support
- Gaps in safety protocols and formal policies

EXTERNAL CHALLENGES

- Non-secured, unstable funding base
- Staffing requests for safety consistently denied
- Community resistance to inclusive services
- Difficulty sustaining long-term planning

Community Asset Mapping

Desires Identified:

Stronger Library Engagement:

Frequent references to the "library" suggest it is a central community hub.

Community members expressed interest in **English classes**, **reading programs**, and **enhanced library services**.

There is a desire for the library to **partner with local businesses and schools** to promote educational and cultural activities.

Partnership Opportunities:

Several establishments (like Starbucks, Don Roge's, and Pacific Health Foods) show **openness to collaborate** on community events and library programs.

There's a strong inclination towards **business-community partnerships**, especially for youth programs and summer reading initiatives.

Community Cohesion and Support:

Residents value **family-oriented** and **locally rooted** activities.

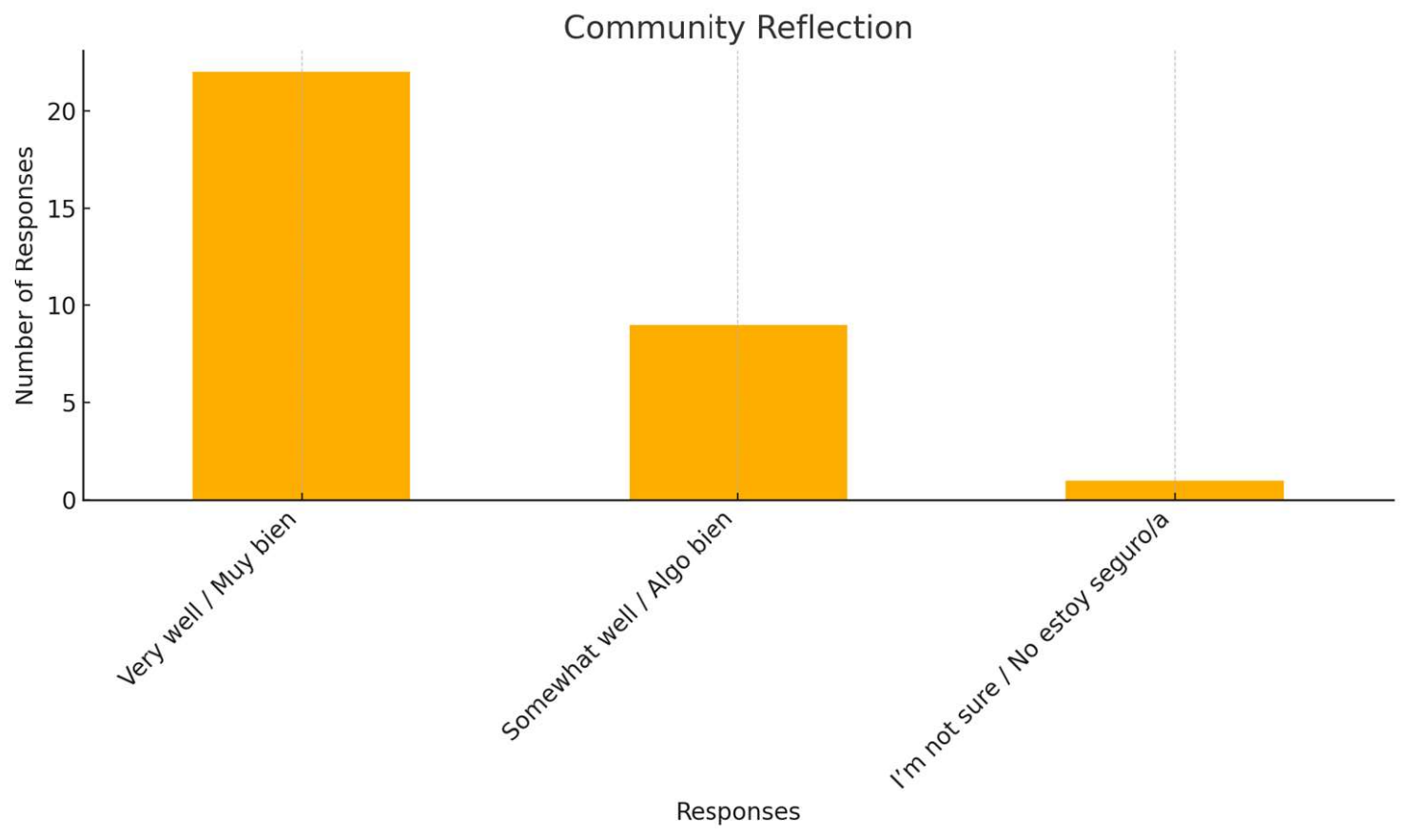
They appreciate inclusive spaces and seem eager for platforms that **amplify diverse voices**, especially among immigrants and non-English speakers.

Community Asset Mapping

Difficulties Identified:

1. **Language Barriers: “**language and cultural barriers” same environment and style of welcoming to everyone and more bilingual and representation. (Debrief with library staff)
    - Multiple notes reference initial **shyness or hesitation** that dissipates when communication occurs in Spanish.
    - This highlights a **linguistic accessibility gap** that affects participation and comfort in community services.
2. **Transportation and Commuting Challenges:**
    - Several mentions of **commuting difficulties**, especially when accessing services or engaging in programs outside one's immediate neighborhood.
3. **Misinformation and Perception Gaps:**
    - Some individuals expressed **misunderstandings** about library changes or programs (e.g., post-separation from the county system).
    - Indicates a need for **clearer communication and outreach** about institutional changes and available resources.
4. **Underutilized Assets:** *Library and Friends***.**
    - Although there are enthusiastic individuals and businesses, not all feel **connected to or aware of how to engage** with community programs.
    - Indicates potential for better mobilization of existing human and commercial assets.

Public Survey Feedback



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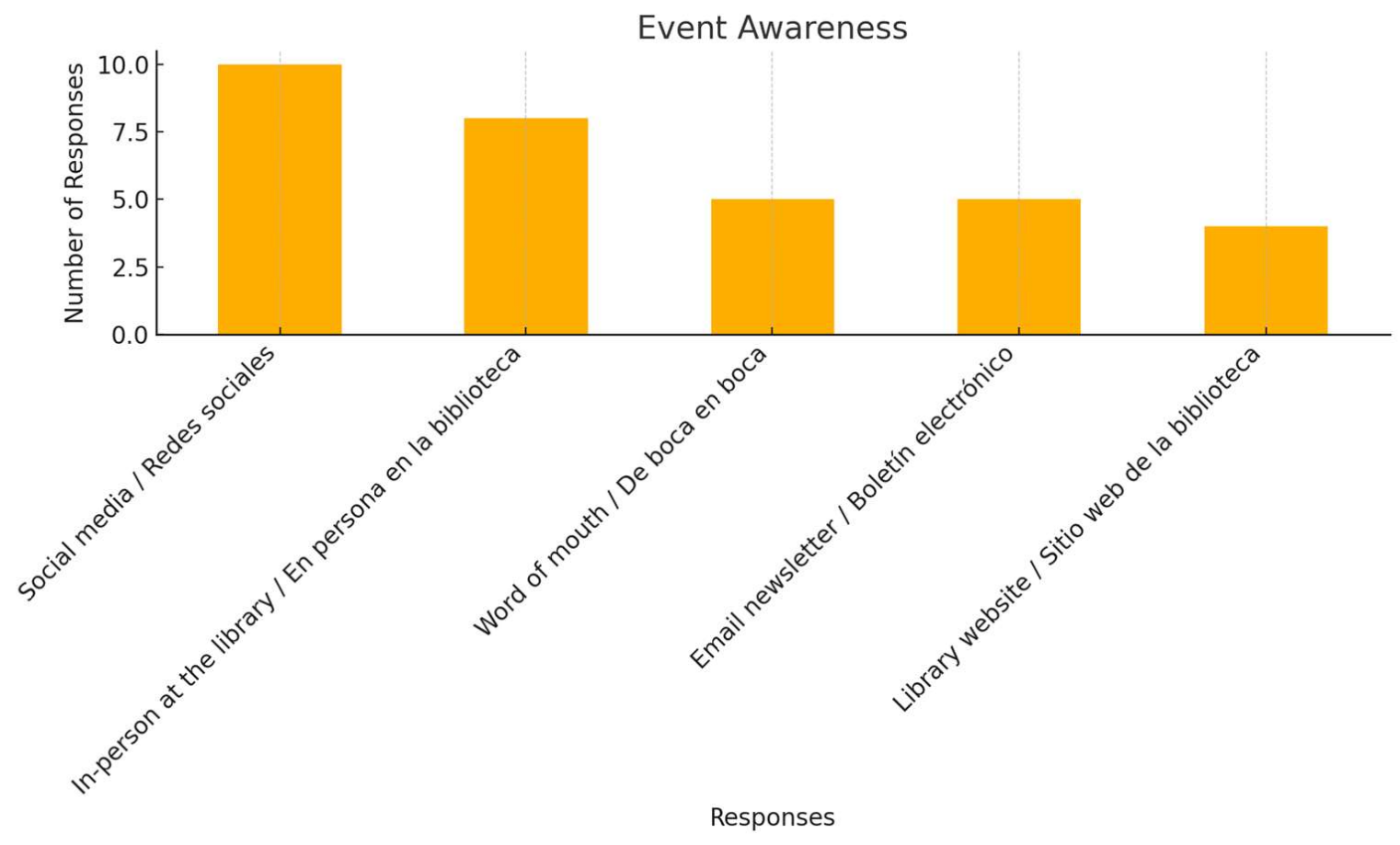

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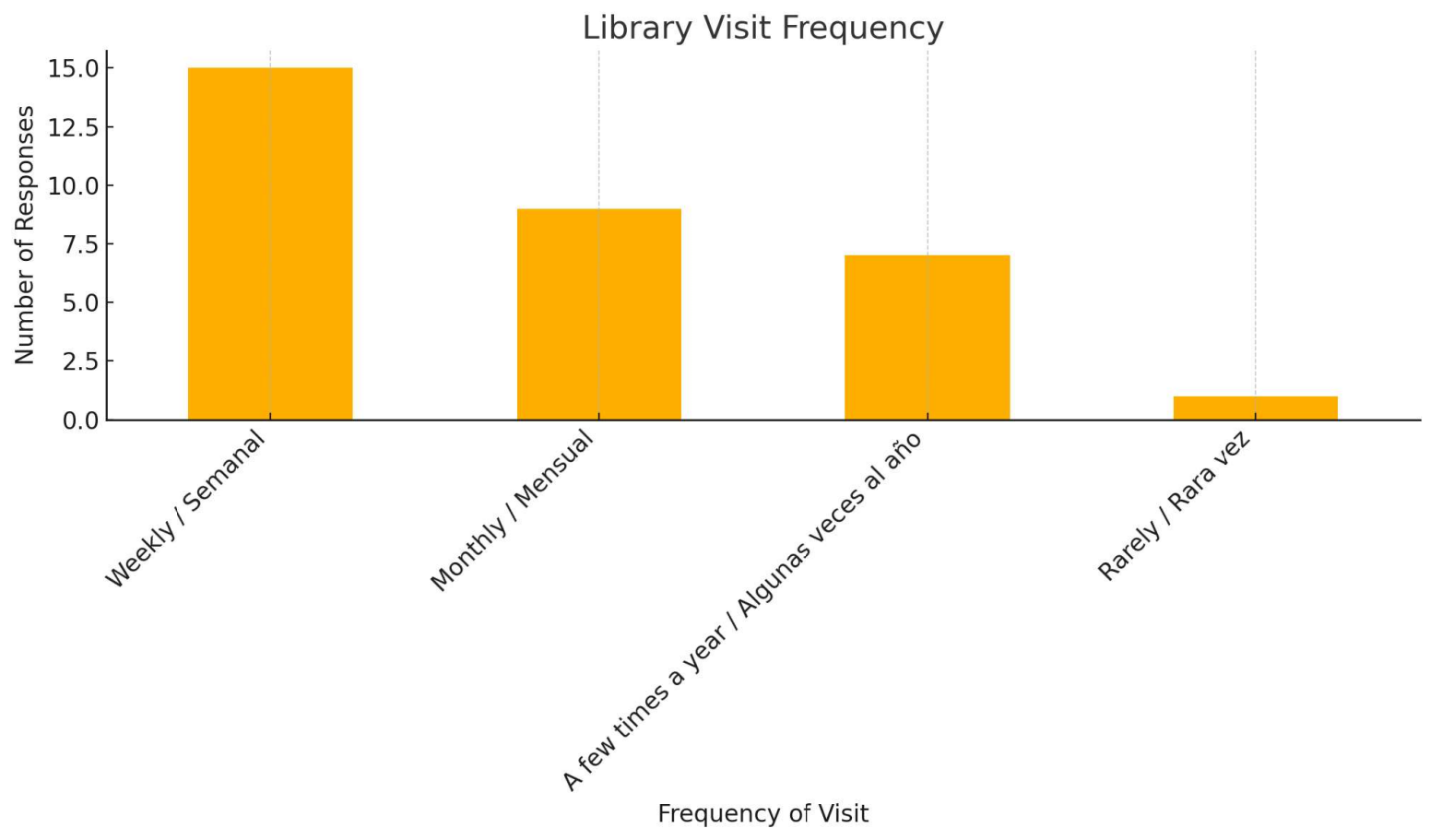

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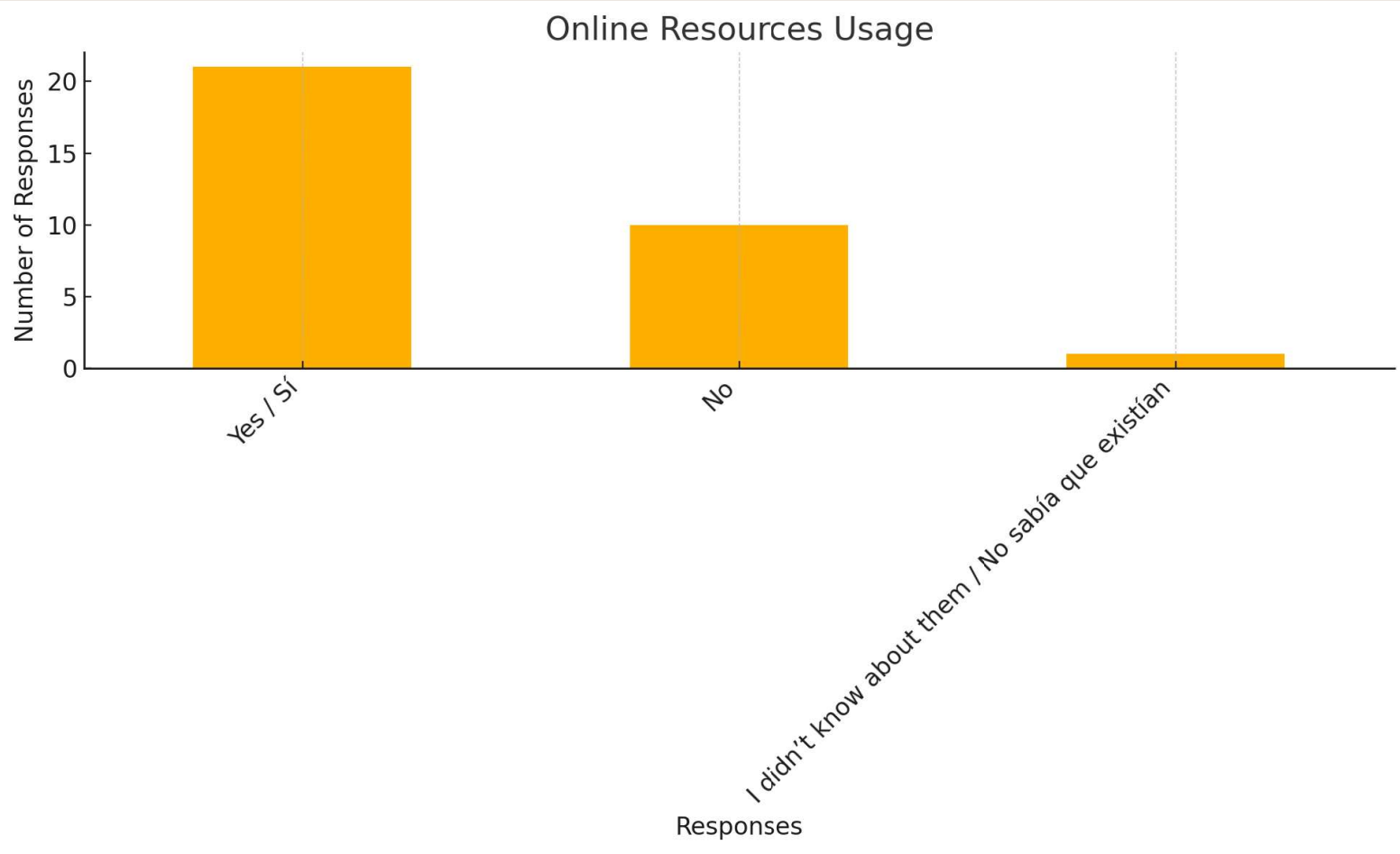

Public Survey Summary

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· Library **Services Used Most Frequently** – borrowing books and materials is the top service.

· Online **Resources Usage** – most respondents use digital offerings like eBooks and databases.

- Reflection **of Community Needs** – many feel the library reflects the community well, though some see room for improvement.

· Event **Awareness** – patrons hear about events primarily through email newsletters, word of mouth, and social media.

Community Conversation Summary

Highly Emphasized Themes:

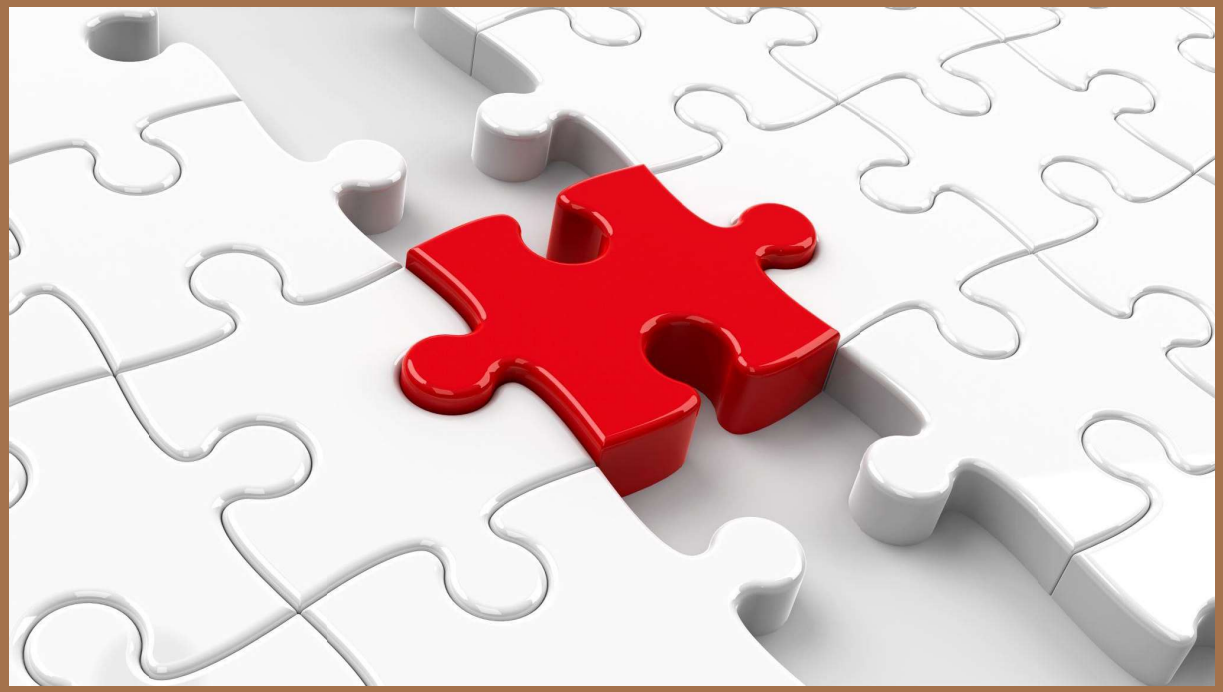
- Library as a Community Hub / 3rd Place – A consistent sense of the library being a welcoming, central space.
- Need for More Space – Requests for expanded facilities, second stories, and more room for programs and services.
- Children & Family Programming – High interest in more activities and support for children and working families.

Community Conversation Summary

Moderately Emphasized Themes:

- Technology & Innovation – Interest in tech access and new experiences (e.g., tech petting zoo).
- Bilingual / Spanish Accessibility – Particularly valued in conversations with Spanish-speaking participants. (3 Year Plan! Eric's priority hasn't changed.) Spanish learners/conversation club under bullet with timeline.
- Cultural Inclusion & Diversity – Including intergenerational, neurodivergent, and diverse cultural perspectives (LGBTIA+).
- Staff Friendliness / Service – Specific praise and requests for consistently welcoming staff.

The Plan



Goal 1: Communication

Improve transparency and engagement by strengthening communication and outreach efforts around institutional changes and available resources, ensuring community members are well-informed and supported.

Strategy 1.1: Have consistent and quality social media presence that includes specialized promotional campaigns

Strategy 1.2: Cross-promote databases and programs to community groups/various audiences

Strategy 1.3: Migrate the website to the Black Gold Consortium

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Goal 2: Programs

Enhance community impact by implementing engaging programs for teens and building partnerships with organizations to provide supportive services addressing critical patron needs such as mental health and homelessness.

Strategy 2.1: Engage with teens and co-design programs, including the formation of a Teen Advisory Board

Strategy 2.2: Initiate and maintain partnerships with social service agencies that will address critical patron issues on site

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Goal 3:
Equity, Diversity & Inclusion

Expand inclusive access by developing and offering culturally relevant programs in Spanish for Latino newcomers and ensuring children's programming is accessible to working families through thoughtful scheduling and community-responsive design.

Strategy 3.1 : Develop and deliver culturally relevant programs in Spanish for Latino newcomers

Strategy 3.2: Ensure children's programs are accessible to working families through thoughtful scheduling and design

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Goal 4:
Operational Excellence & Staff Support

Establish clear policies and procedures that promote consistent operations, ensure safe staffing ratios in public-facing departments, and support fair and equitable distribution of labor across teams to maintain service quality and staff well-being.

Strategy 4.1: Develop and implement consistent policies and procedures to guide operations

Strategy 4.2: Ensure safe and sustainable staffing ratios in public-facing departments

Strategy 4.3: Promote equitable distribution of labor and support staff well-being

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Vision Priorities & Recommendations

Shared Vision Priorities:

1. Expanded Physical Space & Infrastructure

Both groups prioritized the need for significant physical expansion. Ideas include multi-level buildings, a second story, activity rooms, and facilities that meet growing demands. Vision of a landmark building that serves as a community hub and city jewel.

2. Greater Accessibility A consistent call to keep the library open 7 days a week. The Trustees also envisioned extended daily hours (9 a.m. to 9 p.m.).

3. Collection Development Shared recognition of the need to grow and modernize the collection. While LAC emphasizes expanding the overall collection, Trustees favor a pivot toward digital resources.

4. Youth Engagement & Literacy Teen programming ranked highly among LAC and Friends. The trustees' desires for a makerspace and crafting areas also support youth engagement

Recommendations

1. **Develop a Capital Improvement Plan**

Assess the feasibility of expanding or rebuilding the library to accommodate vision goals.

2. **Pursue Hybrid Collection**

Balance physical collection growth with expanded digital offerings to meet diverse preferences.

3. **Reimagine the Library's Identity**

Position the library as a cultural and civic beacon— "the jewel of the city."

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SANTA BARBARA SHERIFF'S OFFICE

MEMORANDUM

Memorandum

Date: **August 20, 2025**

To: Michael Ramirez, City Manager

From: **Chief Rich Brittingham**

Subject: City of Carpinteria – July 2025 Monthly Report

cc: Ryan Kintz, Assistant to the City Manager

City of Carpinteria
Chief's Recap

800 Blk Linden 211 P.C (Robbery)

Deputies responded to a theft in progress call of a Green E-Bike Rad Runner model. Deputies contacted the victim, a 12-year-old, that had his bike stolen by a known 13-year-old male. He recognized the male from school but did not know his last name or his residence. The victim said that the suspect told him to get off the bike in an aggressive intimidating manner. The victim was in fear of his safety and let the suspect take the bike. The bicycle was subsequently returned, and the case was sent to juvenile probation.

5700 Via Real (CARP Creek) Found Bicycles

Deputies responded to Carp Creek Bike Path for an area check of a homeless encampment. The reporting party, who did not desire contact, had also seen very expensive e-bikes. Upon arrival, deputies contacted seven transient males. While in the encampment, deputies discovered multiple bikes, miscellaneous items, and trash. None of the transient males took ownership of the bikes, so deputies collected 13 bikes and booked them as found property at the Carpinteria Station.

Carp Creek Bike Path (CARP) Found/Recovered Stolen bicycle

While patrolling the Carp Creek Bike Path, a custom e-bike with an associated trailer was found abandoned and was recovered. Shortly after the e-bike and trailer were recovered, they were reported stolen from the Carpinteria State Beach Campground. The owner was contacted and subsequently retrieved the stolen e-bike and trailer.

1000 Blk Casitas Pass Rd (CARP) 211 (Robbery), 245 PC (Assault W/Deadly Weapon), 422 PC (Criminal Threats), 459 PC (Burglary)

An unknown suspect walked inside the Yummy Yogurt restaurant through the rear service entrance and demanded cash from the two store owners that were closing the shop. The suspect was armed with a screwdriver and wearing a ski mask disguise of sorts. The male victim pushed the suspect out of the store but was unable to close the door shut. The suspect reentered the store and struck the male victim twice on the left side of the head with the tip of the screwdriver. The male victim suffered minor injuries but refused hospital transport. The suspect ran off with approximately $60-$70.

Deputies canvased the area and found clothing and a makeshift ski mask inside a dumpster nearby, behind Montecito Bank and Trust. A K9 Deputy Deputies and his canine partner tracked for about one mile from the scene of the robbery to the area of Canalino Elementary School. The case was referred to detectives.

Follow-Up Approximately a week later, detectives identified the suspect, and he was subsequently arrested.

Calle Ocho at Calle Arena (Carp) 664/487 (Attempt Grand Theft)

Two unknown suspects attempted to steal two bicycles that were locked to a fence post by cutting the cable lock. The bicycles were valued at about $500 each and the bike lock was valued at about $20. The victim scared off the suspects in the act and he was able to get two pictures of the suspects. The suspects were one male and one female.

[redacted]

Community Outreach

- Chief Brittingham was interviewed by the Coastal News regarding the widespread Scams taking place in Carpinteria (Scams are not isolated to Carpinteria)
- Deputies worked the St. Joseph Festival (07/11 – 07/13)- no issues reported

[redacted]

Criminal Investigations Bureau
City of Carpinteria Investigations

Case Overview (July 2025 Stats)

Number of new cases forwarded to investigations: 35

Number of cases suspended: 1

Number of cases assigned: 2

Number of cases closed by arrest: 2

Number of cases closed by other: 24

Number submitted for complaint: 2

Number of current active cases: 15

Chief's Message

Please remember to call 911 (non-emergency number if it is not critical) immediately for a law enforcement response when crimes are committed, especially when the suspect displays violent behavior.

Non-Emergency Dispatch Number: 805-683-2724

- Bicycle Thefts-
  Carpinteria has a continuing bicycle theft issue, as you can see from some of the entries. Please remember to register your bicycle. You can register your bicycle online at "Bike Index", or "CalBike".

  Benefits of registration:
  Deterring theft: Registered bikes are less attractive to thieves because they are harder to sell.

  Aiding in recovery: If your bike is stolen, registering it makes it easier for law enforcement to identify and return it. Registered bikes are reportedly recovered at a higher rate compared to unregistered ones.

  Owner identification: In the event of an accident, registration can help identify the owner, especially if they are not carrying other identification.

- Video Surveillance Systems-
  Video surveillance systems can be a crucial part in apprehending and prosecuting criminal suspects. Businesses, and homes as well, should know how to operate their systems and be able to retrieve captured footage. Also, a quality system is important.

Respectfully,

Chief Rich Brittingham

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City of Carpinteria-Chief of Police Services
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Commander's Recap
Coastal Patrol Bureau

July 6, 2025 – July 12, 2025

Sunday July 6, 2025

0832 PC 487 5606 Carpinteria Avenue (CARP) Cole
RP called to report two stolen bikes that were left locked in the bike rack in front of the Hotel. One of the bike locks had been cut through and left on the scene, and the other had been cut and stolen. The estimated total of the stolen bikes is $2,600.

1222 PC 273a 1018 Casitas Pass RD (CARP) Cole
RP called Law Enforcement to report a baby screaming and crying that was left unattended in a hot vehicle. RP took the baby out of the vehicle when she realized the baby was left alone. Upon arrival, it was discovered that the two-year-old baby had been left in the vehicle while his mother would periodically came out and check on him. Deputies observed the vehicle was very hot inside, and the baby's head was drenched in sweat. Child Welfare services were notified and advised that the child could be released to the mother, and fire and medics were dispatched to medically evaluate the child. A report will be authored and sent to the DA's office for review.

1553 015F 5700 Via Real (CARP Creek) Sqaud D
Deputy Cole and Deputy Goodwin responded to Carp Creek Bike Path for an area check of a homeless encampment. The RP, who did not desire contact, had also seen very expensive e-bikes. Upon arrival, Squad D made contact with seven transient males. While in the encampment, Squad D discovered multiple bikes, miscellaneous items, and trash. None of the transient males took ownership of the bikes, so Squad D collected 13 bikes and booked them as found property at the Carpinteria Station.

2024 PC417 1400 block Limu Drive (CARP) Van Duzer
Deputies responded for a verbal argument between two family members

Monday July 7, 2025

1207 532 PC 5775 Carpinteria Ave (CARP) James
City of Carpinteria reported a check they had written had been stolen, washed and deposited into the suspect's bank account fraudulently into an account in San Diego. Montecito Bank and Trust requested a case number before the money could be refunded.

Tuesday July 8, 2025

0743 ICE El Carro Ln/Eucalyptus St (CARP) James
RP reported "federal agents broke the window of a vehicle and stole someone" from a "landscaping truck." Carpinteria Immigrant Rights Coalition (approx. 10 people) was on scene and outraged. ICE later confirmed they had taken someone into custody from the above location.

0825 594 PC 1069 Casitas Pass RD Villegas / Wreede
At 8:00 pm, RP found broken glass inside their leasing office and realized two windows were broken. They noticed two big rocks inside the office. Nothing was taken from inside the office. They don't know who might have caused the vandalism. It happened sometime between the time the office closed yesterday at 1700 hours to this morning at 0800 hours.

2113 Incident Linden Av/Carp Av (CARP) Schoenneman

RP called to report that a vehicle had almost collided with her two-year-old daughter's stroller. RP was able to move the stroller out of the way in time, but her daughter fell out and hit her head. The driver did not stop to check if her daughter was okay. RP did not desire prosecution. However, she wanted the incident documented.

2346 647(f) Drugs Chaney Av/Eleanor Dr (CARP) Schoenneman

Deputies were dispatched to a trespassing-related issue with an agitated female subject who was potentially HBD or UI. Upon arrival, the female subject was identified as [redacted]. After speaking with [redacted], it was determined she was under the influence of drugs and unable to care for herself in a public place. She was placed under arrest and transported to SBJ without issue.

Wednesday July 9, 2025

2230 496(a)PC 900 block Concha Loma Dr (Carpinteria) Pereyra

Deputies received information stating a Suspect was responsible for stealing and attempting to sell a stolen E-Bike (Valued at $1,700) from Summerland. Deputies responded to his home address to attempt to contact him. He denied stealing the bicycle. He admitted helping sell the bicycle. He stated an unknown person who lives in Oxnard had the bicycle and when he offered to help him sell it, he did not realize it was stolen. He also denied having sold the bicycle as the person from Oxnard left with the bicycle before it sold. A consensual search of his home was conducted; the bicycle was not located. In addition, deputies checked the creek yielding in negative results. A report is being forward to the district attorneys office requesting they file charges.

Thursday July 10, 2025

0830 H&S11350/PC4573 4200 Via Real Van Duzer

[redacted], who is on parole, was observed in the parking lot of Motel 6 North. A parole compliance check was conducted on his motel room. Additional subjects were inside the motel room where narcotics were recovered. [redacted] parole officer was contacted and a flash hold was placed. [redacted] was arrested for 11350 H&S, 3454 PC and 4573 PC. The additional male, [redacted], in the motel room was also arrested for 11350 (H&S).

Saturday July 12, 2025

2215 HS11364/HS11377 Viola fields (Carp) Rivera

A suspect was in Viola Fields in Carpinteria after hours. When contacted, he provided consent to a search of his person after a glass pipe was found near where he was sitting. Suspect had a plastic baggie containing a white crystalized substance that he stated was "crystal" methamphetamine. He was arrested and booked at SBJ for being in violation of H&S 11364(a) and H&S 11377(a).

Commander's Recap
Coastal Patrol Bureau

July 13, 2025 – July 19, 2025

Sunday July 13, 2025

2259 11364 HS Casitas Pass Rd / Cameo (CARP) Rodriguez

[redacted] was pulled over for riding his bicycle at night without the proper lighting. During a consent search of his backpack, a used meth pipe with narcotics residue inside was located, in violation of 11364(a) HS.

0119 487 Carp Creek Bike Path (CARP) Schoenneman

While patrolling the Carp Creek Bike Path, a custom e-bike with an associated trailer was found abandoned and was recovered. Shortly after the e-bike and trailer were recovered, they were reported stolen from the Carpinteria State Beach Campground. The owner was contacted and said he would retrieve it from the Carpinteria Station in the morning of 07/14/25.

0305 030 Carpinteria Av (CARP) Cole

Deputies responded for a blue code. Upon arrival Carp FD and AMR were already performing lifesaving interventions. After approximately 30 minutes had elapsed, a 77-year-old female was pronounced deceased.

Monday July 14, 2025

0908 647(f), 148.9 PC Venice Ln / Santa Monica (Carp) Skall

On 7/13, a resident called in a suspicious white van occupied by two males, which left the area shortly after the RP called it in. Today, a van was seen parked "daylighting" the intersection of Venice/Santa Monica, with 3 males sitting inside. While approaching the van, the engine turned on and was starting to leave, but complied with the deputy to stop. The male in the driver's seat, [redacted], was found to be intoxicated and on probation. [redacted] said he had no ID, and intentionally provided inaccurate PII, until his wallet with his ID was located in his pants pocket. Numerous empty alcohol cans/bottles were located inside the van. [redacted] arrested and booked at SBJ.

1027 Possibly 166.4 3300 block Foothill Rd (CARP) James

RP called to report a civil restraining order violation.

1602 015F 4900 block Carpinteria Ave (CARP) James

RP found cash on the sidewalk and turned it in at the station. Money was booked as found property.

Tuesday July 15, 2025

1342 459.5 PC 1036 Casitas Pass Rd. (CARP) James

Unknown suspect entered CVS and stole approximately $500.00 worth of Dove soap and left without paying. He fled in rental car and had a French bulldog in the passenger seat.

1543 488 Lavendar Ct. (CARP) James

Theft from an unlocked vehicle occurred during overnight hours. Unknown suspect stole a restaurant gift card and tax documents with personal identifying information.

2214 11550 5775 Carpinteria Ave (CARP) Schoenneman

[redacted] was found walking towards the patrol cars behind the Carpinteria station. During the contact, I observed objective symptomology of [redacted] being under the influence of a controlled substance. Subsequently, [redacted] performed a 11550 exam and provided a urine sample, which came back positive for methamphetamine. [redacted] was arrested and transported to SBJ

Wednesday July 16, 2025

0830 OAA Station 39 (CARP) Mendez

City Public Works contacted Deputies regarding a found e-bike in the northwest corner of the City Hall parking lot. Investigation was conducted and it was determined the e-bike had been stolen overnight from a victim at the State Park. State Park Officers were investigating the theft and were able to return the e-bike to the victim.

1003 20002 VC 4416 Via Real (CARP) Van Duzer

A public works employee of the City of Carpinteria observed a vehicle travelling westbound Via Real towards Santa Monica Rd. The vehicle suddenly drove onto the curb in front of 4416 Via Real colliding with a city street sign and some bushes. The vehicle turned back onto the roadway and continued westbound Via Real out of sight. The driver (WFA) failed to stop and fled the scene after causing damage to city property.

1927 Missing/166(a)(4)/ 278.5 5000 block Carpinteria Av Pereyra

Deputies responded for a violation of a child custody order. A BOL was broadcasted and sent to Ventura County and the child was entered into MUPS. The case was submitted to DA.

2047 VAN Carp Av/Bailard (CARP) Brady

Deputies responded for a traffic collision. Driver turned too wide coming out of the south end of Bailard onto Carpinteria avenue. Driver stated he had condensation on his windshield and became disorientated and turned too wide. Non-injury. Report taken due to damage to city guardrail.

Thursday July 17, 2025

1002 065 Via Real at Toro Cyn (CARP) Hernandez

Subject known to have an outstanding warrant was observed in the area. She was contacted, the warrant confirmed, and she was arrested.

1045 INCIDENT 1400 block Camellia Cl (CARP) Van Duzer

RP reported possible child abuse due to text messages received. After numerous interviews, it was unfounded and did not meet the criteria of child abuse. Incident report taken for documentation only.

1835 602PC 1045 Casitas Pass Road (CARP) Pereyra

Deputies responded to Taco Bell for a report of trespassing. [redacted] entered the restaurant with the intent of obtaining food despite not having the ability to pay for it. He asked various customers to purchase food for him. The RP asked him to leave multiple times, and he refused, a violation of California Penal Code 602- Trespassing. [redacted] was arrested & transported to SBJ

Friday July 18, 2025

1845 647(F) 5775 Carpinteria Ave Rivera

Subject was near a busy street and extremely intoxicated. He could not maintain his balance and had a 750ml bottle of alcohol that was half empty. He stated he was going to ride his bike to Ventura. The subject was arrested and transported to SBJ.

1909 273.6PC 1000 block Casitas Pass Rd (CARP) Pereyra

Deputies responded for a report of a restraining order violation. A report was sent to the DA for review.

Saturday July 19, 2025

1956 HS11364/VC23223(b) 4300 block Verano Dr (CARP) Goodwin

[redacted], [redacted], and [redacted] were contacted on Verano Drive for vehicle violations. Deputies located an opened container of alcohol in the vehicle which revealed an additional bottle of alcohol and Methamphetamine pipe. All occupants were issued citations for the appropriate violations and released from the scene.

2130 PC 459 6300 block Langunitas Ct. (CARP) Cole

RP returned home after 6 days being gone and discovered the back sliding glass door was shattered and their house had been ransacked. Report taken

0121 PC 245(a)(1) &PC 594(b)(1) 5550 Carp Ave (CARP) Cole

Deputies responded to a domestic altercation at Motel 6. Suspect became aggravated at the victim and caused over $2,000.00 in damage to the vehicle and attempted to hit the victim with a rock. The Suspect was gone prior to Deputies arrival. An Emergency Protective Order was granted for the Victim.

Commander's Recap
Coastal Patrol Bureau

July 20, 2025 – July 26, 2025

Sunday July 20, 2025

2250 5150 4200 block Avenue Del Mar (Carp) Goodwin
Deputies responded for a suicidal subject.

Monday July 21, 2025

0651 4463 VC / 10851R 7259 Casitas Pass Rd (CARP) Skall
A motorcycle, stolen out of Santa Barbara City, was located abandoned in front of 7259 Casitas Pass Rd. The vehicle had stolen reg tabs, and a helmet left behind not belonging to the victim. Owner was contacted and responded to recover the vehicle. Removed from SVS.

2019 Found bicycle Carp Creek Bike Path (CARP) Rodriguez
Dep Rodriguez located a Rad Power Bike in the encampment that was abandoned. Since deputies have located several stolen bicycles in the encampment, and because the bike was abandoned, it was taken for safekeeping.

2252 211, 245, 459, 422 1005 Casitas Pass Rd (CARP) Squad D
An unknown suspect walked inside the Yummy Yogurt restaurant through the rear service entrance and demanded cash from the two store owners that were closing the shop. The suspect was armed with a screwdriver and wearing a ski mask disguise of sorts. The male victim pushed the suspect out of the store but was unable to close the door shut. The suspect reentered the store and struck the male victim twice on the left side of the head with the tip of the screwdriver. Deputies canvased the area and found clothing and a makeshift ski mask inside a dumpster nearby. Deputy Carovano and his canine partner Obi tracked for about one mile from the scene of the robbery to Canalino Elementary School. The suspect was described as a WMA in his early thirties, skinny, of average height. Some surveillance video should be available from Montecito Bank and Trust, and possibly Yummy Yogurt. Case will be referred to CID.

Tuesday July 22, 2025

2122 OAA Carpinteria State Beach Sandu, Rodriguez, Cole, Goodwin
Deputies responded to assist Carp State Beach with a vessel in distress. A sailboat, solely occupied by the captain veered too close to shore and likely struck a rock in front of Carp State Beach. The Captain and State Parks will work on getting the sailboat off the beach tomorrow.

Wednesday July 23, 2025

2243 2800.1 VC HWY 101/Linden Ave Coert
A traffic stop was conducted for lighting equipment, violation of 24252 VC and the vehicle failed to yield. Eventually the vehicle yielded at Cramer Circle and Via Real. The driver was later identified as [redacted]. [redacted] was unlicensed and arrested for violation of 2800.1 VC, 12500(a) VC and 16028(a) VC. An open container of alcohol was found in his vehicle, violation of 23222 VC and EBT card that did not belong to him was found on his person, violation of 485 PC. [redacted] was arrested for the above listed violations and transported to SBJ.

Thursday July 24, 2025

1847 647(f) PC Dahlia Court Corbett

[redacted] was contacted in the courtyard of Dahlia Court causing a disturbance. [redacted] was found to be publicly intoxicated and arrested. While at the jail he became combative and attempted to kick out the windows of the patrol car.

2212 647(f) 4897 Carpinteria Av (Carpinteria) Pereyra

While observing east and west traffic on the intersection of Carp Av and Holly, I saw [redacted] crossing the intersection. [redacted] was stumbling across the crosswalk. He was having trouble maintaining his balance. As he crossed, he stopped in the middle of the intersection for about 7-10 seconds before continuing to walk forward and making it across the sidewalk. When contacted, his speech was slurred, his eyes were glossy, he was unable to maintain his balance, and I could smell a strong odor of alcohol emitting from his breath. I arrested and transported him to the Santa Barbara County Main Jail where he was booked for being in violation of 647(f) PC- Public Intoxication.

Commander's Recap
Coastal Patrol Bureau

July 27, 2025 – August 3 , 2025

Sunday July 27, 2025

1730 PC 245/242 1018 Casitas Pass Rd (CARP) Goodwin
Deputies responded to the 5500 block of Carpinteria Avenue and contacted the RP/Victim who advised that he was kicked and had a horseshoe style bicycle locked swung at him. He fled from the known attacker and was chased onto the Carp Creek bike path and fled into the creek. He later called for emergency services.

1804 VC 23103 5500 Block Carp Ave (CARP) Goodwin
Deputies had just concluded their investigation and was about to drive from the scene when the suspect, [redacted], was driving toward Deputies in an unsafe and reckless manner. [redacted] was cited for VC 23103 and released from the scene.

0259 Incident 1001 Casitas Pass Rd (CARP) Goodwin
Deputies responded to Rudy's Restaurant along with Carpinteria Fire for report of fire. Deputies arrived first on scene and found that it was a propane fire with a flame approximately 3 feet in height. Deputies confirmed that no one else was in the building and waited for Carpinteria Fire due to the danger propane poses. The fire was put out by Carpinteria Fire Department.

Monday July 28, 2025

2001 TRAFF Linden Ave/Third St (CARP) Goodwin
Deputy Goodwin conducted a traffic enforcement stop on a vehicle for violations of VC 26708(a)(1). While obtaining documents it was found that the driver/sole occupant, [redacted], did not have a driver's license. [redacted] was issued a citation for violations of California Vehicle Code 12500(a) and 26708(a)(1).

2101 009A 6145 Carpinteria Ave (CARP) 25-7742 Cole
Deputies responded to the south end of Bailard for a report of a missing at risk person. He was not located at the time of this entry and was entered into MUPS, BOL broadcasted, and a report was authored.

Tuesday July 29, 2025

1843 PC 242 Holly Ave (Carp) Squad D
Deputies responded for a family 415

2315 Update: 211 Yummy Yogurt (Carp) Cole, Brownlee
Detective Brownlee obtained surveillance footage that led to the suspect's identification. Later that evening, Deputy Cole found the suspect, [redacted], in the Casitas Plaza Shopping Center and placed him under arrest.

0001 065/NARC/ETC 4410 Via Real (CARP) 25-7787 Rodriguez

A vehicle was pulled over for window tint on the front side windows. The driver, [redacted], was unlicensed as was his passenger, [redacted]. [redacted] had a felony warrant for his arrest and was in possession of a fake US permanent resident card and a fake US social security card, in violation of 470b PC. Deputies found meth in the center console and a meth pipe on [redacted] seat. Both booked into SBJ and the vehicle was towed.

Wednesday July 30, 2025

1152 065 Jelly Bowl Sgt. Delgadillo

[redacted] was contacted at a campsite in the Jelly Bowl are and discovered to have a $5000 misdemeanor warrant. She was arrested and booked at SBJ without incident.

Thursday July 31, 2025

1841 647(f) Viola Fields (Carp) Pereyra

Deputies responded to a call for service of a male stumbling/falling over and sitting in his vehicle. When contacted, the subject's speech was slurred, his eyes were glossy, he was having trouble walking/maintaining his balance and Deputies could smell a strong odor of alcohol emitting from his breath. The subject had access to his keys, his car, and had a history of driving while under the influence. Based on his behavior he was unable to care for his safety or the safety of others, a violation of 647(f)PC- Public Intoxication. He was arrested, transported, and booked at SBJ.

1756 664/487 PC Calle Ocho at Calle Arena (Carp) Rodriguez

Two unknown suspects attempted to steal two bicycles that were locked to a fence post by cutting the cable lock. The bicycles were valued at about $500 each and the bike lock was valued at about $20. Therefore, the suspects were in violation of 664/487 PC, attempted grand theft, and, 594(b)(2)(a) PC, misdemeanor vandalism. The victim scared off the suspects in the act and he was able to get two pictures of the suspects, which are uploaded to the report. The suspects were one male and one female.

Friday August 1, 2025

0830 594 PC 1200 block Cravens Lane (Carp) Van Duzer

On 07/30, the victim parked and secured his vehicle on the street near the 1200blk of Cravens Lane. On 08/01 the victim returned to his vehicle and discovered someone had "keyed" his vehicle causing damage to the entire passenger side of the car. Case suspended pending further leads.

1234 459 PC 1200 block Franciscan Ct (Carp) Van Duzer

On 07/31/2025, at approximately 2300 hours, the victim placed his electric bicycle in his garage. The victim left the garage open with the bike plugged into the charger and went to bed. The following morning, the victim discovered his bicycle had been stolen. The bicycle is described as a green "Rad Power" bicycle with a brown seat, basket on the front and USA sticker on the frame underneath the seat. Case pending further leads.

1747 368(c) PC 4100 block Via Real (Carp) Brady/Mendez

Neighbors called for a family disturbance. Deputies responded and [redacted] challenged them to fight him. [redacted] was arrested at Taser point and taken to SBJ.

2053 459 PC 5100 Carpinteria Av (Carp) Brady

An unknown suspect entered the Lucky Llama and searched for items to steal. The suspect fled once the alarm sounded. BOL to follow.

2058 23152(a)/23152(b)/TC 4835 Carpinteria Av Mendez/Pereyra

Deputies responded to a call of a driver that crashed into a fire hydrant and was driving away. The subject drove through a fire hydrant, damaged a tree, and took down a lamp post before coming to a stop. When Deputies contacted [redacted] her eyes were watery/glossy. She admitted drinking 30 minutes before getting on the road and displayed significant mental and physical impairment throughout the sobriety tests. The subject admitted operating a motor vehicle while impaired by alcohol, a violation of 23152(a) – Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. The subject provided a breath sample of 0.205 a violation of 23152(b)- Driving over .08% BAC. She was arrested, transported and booked at SBJ.

2302 23152 PC 1389 Santa Monica Av Brady/Ellis

[redacted] was called in as a drunk driver that had just threatened people and brandished a knife. As the call for service came out Deputies observed [redacted] drive by recklessly spinning the tires at a nearby intersection. While catching up to her, she was observed failing to stop for a stop sign. Once stopped she was administered SFSTs and was subsequently arrested for . Further investigation revealed no violations of 422 PC or 417 PC.

Saturday August 2, 2025

0833 211 PC Via Real Muneton

Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital called regarding a victim who reported she had been robbed the night prior at approximately 2245 hours. The Victim stated she was exiting her vehicle on Via Real and attempted to retrieve something from the trunk. She heard footsteps, felt a hard hit on the back of her head then appeared to lose consciousness. Upon waking, she stated she was on the ground and realized her purse had been stolen. The purse contained misc. credit cards, ID cards, makeup and cash. She stated she went inside to tell her friend what occurred but did not desire to contact law enforcement or seek medical attention until this morning. SBCH took a CT scan and determined there were no serious injuries.

2245 5.04.050 CMC 4060 Via Real (Carp) Sandu

[redacted] and two associates set up an outdoor restaurant on the sidewalk near Kim's Market. They had tables for cooking, an *al pastor* spit, an E-Z Up canopy with lighting, a generator, about six chairs for customers, trashcans, etc. The cargo van they used to transport their kitchen, and equipment was parked in the bike lane with the right tires on the sidewalk, and withing 15 of the fire hydrant. [redacted] said he and his associates came from Los Angeles and did not have a business license from the City of Carpinteria. [redacted] was cited for operating without a business license per 5.04.050 CMC.

Memorandum

Date: **September 4, 2025**

To: Michael Ramirez, City Manager

From: **Chief Rich Brittingham**

Subject: City of Carpinteria – August 2025 Monthly Report

cc: Ryan Kintz, Assistant to the City Manager

City of Carpinteria
Chief's Recap

4800 Blk Carpinteria Av 23152(a)/23152(b)/TC (DUI)

The suspect drove her vehicle through a fire hydrant, damaged a tree, and took down a lamp post before coming to a stop. When contacted, her eyes were watery/glossy. She admitted drinking seltzers 30 minutes before getting on the road and displayed significant mental and physical impairment throughout the sobriety tests. She admitted operating a motor vehicle while impaired by alcohol, a violation of 23152(a) – Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. The subject provided a breath sample of 0.205 a violation of 23152(b)- Driving over .08% BAC. The suspect was arrested and transported and booked at the Santa Barbara County Main Jail.

1090 Vallecito Rd (CARP) 532 PC (Fraud)

The victim reported he fell for an online scam and sent over $350,000 to an unknown person through Coinbase (Cryptocurrency exchange).

Linden/Malibu (CARP) 23152(g)/11377HS/11364HS (DUI/Drug Possession)
During a traffic stop the suspect did not possess a driver's license, a violation of 12500(a)VC. He admitted drinking four beers and snorting a nail full of methamphetamine three to four hours before the contact. He displayed both mental and physical impairment throughout the sobriety tests and was operating a motor vehicle while impaired by alcohol and methamphetamine, a violation of 23152(g) VC - DUI Drugs/Alcohol. During a pat down/consensual search of his person he was in possession of methamphetamine, a violation of 11377(a)HS- Possession of Methamphetamine. In addition, he admitted having a methamphetamine pipe in the rear pocket of the passenger side seat, a violation of 11364 HS- Possession of Paraphernalia. He was subsequently arrested, transported, and booked at the Santa Barbara County Jail.

5400 Carp Ave (CARP) 470 PC (Forgery)
The victim placed a check in the post office box at the sidewalk of the Carpinteria Post Office. He later learned the payee information on the check had been altered and the check had been cashed. No suspect info at this time.

Sandyland/Holly 29800 PC (Felon Possession of Firearm)
A traffic stop was initiated on a vehicle for not displaying license plates. The driver (Oklahoma resident) admitted possession of a gun in the vehicle. After he was removed from the vehicle, the female passenger was told to exit and a coin purse dropped from the waistband of her shorts. The coin purse contained meth and a meth pipe. A search of the vehicle revealed a loaded Springfield XD40 handgun in a backpack on the rear floorboard. The driver had one felony conviction for possession of a controlled substance. Both were booked into SBCJ.

[redacted]

Community Outreach

- Deputy Pereyra conducted her Scam presentation to approx. 50 members at the Lions Club. This was a great turnout with great participation.
- Chief Brittingham and several deputies attended the "National Night Out" in early August. Attendance seemed higher than last year.

[redacted]

Criminal Investigations Bureau
City of Carpinteria Investigations

Case Overview (August 2025 Stats)

Number of new cases forwarded to investigations: 33

Number of cases suspended: 5

Number of cases assigned: 1

Number of cases closed by arrest: 1

Number of cases closed by other: 30

Number submitted for complaint: 4

Number of current active cases: 13

Chief's Message

Please remember to call 911 (non-emergency number if it is not critical) immediately for a law enforcement response when crimes are committed, especially when the suspect displays violent behavior.

Non-Emergency Dispatch Number: 805-683-2724

- DUI's
  You can receive a DUI if you are driving under the influence of either alcohol and/or drugs. You can also receive a DUI if you are driving on prescription medication that can/will impair your driving ability. Carpinteria had 8 recorded DUI's in the month of August. There were several hit-and-runs, which are likely DUI or uninsured drivers. Be aware on the roadway and drive defensively. Expect the other drivers to make mistakes.

- Post Office Mailbox Theft(s):
  We have one report of forgery from a check that was presumably stolen from the mailbox in front of the Post Office. This has been a chronic issue in Montecito recently. Please report any similar incidents by calling the non-emergency dispatch number. If you have recently sent checks/etc., please follow-up and make sure it has not been compromised.

- Scams-
  Scams are continuing to effect Carpinteria and other communities. Please be proactive in spreading the word and call the non-emergency dispatch number to speak with a deputy if you are at all suspicious.

Respectfully,

Chief Rich Brittingham

Rich Brittingham, Lieutenant
Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office
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City of Carpinteria-Chief of Police Services
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Commander's Recap
Coastal Patrol Bureau

August 3, 2025 – Aug 9, 2025

Sunday August 3, 2025

1300 532 PC 1000 block Vallecito Rd (CARP) James
Victim reported he fell for an online scam and sent over $350,000 to an unknown person through Coinbase.

2007 No Prosecution 1400 block Azalea Dr (CARP) Goodwin
Deputies responded for a 415 between two family members. Both men got into a physical altercation, and they fell. One of the males were transported to the hospital due to a head injury that occurred during the fall. Neither party was desirous of prosecution.

Monday August 4, 2025

0838 20002 4401 Carp Ave (Carp) Skall
20002 report taken from Delgado's the night prior. Suspect vehicle is a Black Honda Civic.

1537 VAI Arbol Verde/Concha Loma (Carp) Skall
Two juveniles riding an e-bike failed to stop at the stop sign EB Concha Loma at Arbol Verde and struck the left rear quarter panel of a truck which was driving NB on Arbol Verde. The driver of the e-bike briefly lost consciousness, but otherwise they had minor injuries. Both were transferred to the hospital due to being juveniles

1805 VC 20001, PC 148, 065 5750 Via Real (CARP) Schoenneman
Deputies responded for a reported hit and run. Upon arrival, the Victim's statement was taken, and he was evaluated by AMR Medic 1 for back pain. The Suspect abandoned his vehicle at the scene so it was towed. Follow-up to be conducted by patrol

0219 065 5141 Carp Ave (CARP) Goodwin
The suspect was contacted inside Seaside Park by the bookstore on Carpinteria Avenue and a routine records check was conducted which revealed that the suspect had an active $60,000 warrant from Lancaster. Lancaster confirmed that they would pick up the subject and she was arrested and booked into SBJ without further incident.

Wednesday August 6, 2025

2151 488/ 647(f) /148(a)(1) 1036 Casitas Pass (Carp) Pereyra
The arrestee went to CVS, opened a package of Haagen-Dazs ice cream cones and walked out without paying, she later admitted stealing them, a violation of 488PC- Petty Theft. When contacted the arrestee was blocking the road, was having trouble maintaining her balance and smelled of alcohol, a violation of 647(f)PC- Public Intoxication. The arrestee refused to provide her name and date of birth while detained and once arrested, a violation of 148(a)(1) PC- Resisting/Delaying Arrest. She was transported to SBJ where she was identified by Custody Deputies and booked on the afore-mentioned violations.

Thursday August 7, 2025

0630 081 1500 block Kathy St (CARP) Squad C & CIT-1
Deputies responded to assist Behavioral Wellness with a subject who was in a manic state.

0747 647(j) PC 3504 Via Real (CARP) Stovall
Deputies responded to the business for a 415 between coworkers. Victim heard a cell phone camera "click" and when she looked out the window saw her coworker walking/running away from her area. There have been other instances, per managers, of the subject harassing other coworkers. The subject was cited and was potentially being terminated from his employment.

1806 11550HS HWY 101/Santa Monica NB Off (CARP) B Squad
While on Hwy 101 north bound, a Deputy observed a vehicle speeding and initiated a traffic stop. The vehicle was occupied by three. One of the occupants was on probation. Deputies located drug paraphernalia in the vehicle. All parties were cited for either being under the influence of a controlled substance or for being in possession of drug paraphernalia and released without further incident. The vehicle was towed for community safety purposes.

2225 20002(a)VC Sandy Land Reef INN(CARP) B Squad
Deputies responded to the Sandy Land Reff Inn for a report of a hit and run that was captured on video surveillance. After contacting the RP and reviewing extensive footage to identify the driver, vehicle, and license plate, Deputies identified a potential suspect. The Suspect's vehicle was in the parking lot of Motel 6 North with damage consistent to that of the hit and run incident captured on video. Deputies located and contacted the suspect who identified himself by name, DOB, and provided us a description of his vehicle. The suspect admitted attempting to park at the Sandy Land Reef Inn, backing out when he did not find parking and admitted parking his vehicle at Motel 6. The Suspect stated he did not have recollection of the accident and was intoxicated during our contact. He was cited for unsafe backing, hit and run, and failure to provide proof of insurance. The RP was provided with the details necessary to report the hit and run to her insurance company.

Friday August 8, 2025

1350 Narc Violation 4290 Via Real Hernandez
Traffic stop was initiated and during the contact, the driver admitted to being in possession of a meth pipe. The vehicle was search and he was cited for violation of 11364(a) H&S.

1437 065 Via Real/ Cameo Rd Blanco
[redacted] was arrested for his outstanding warrant during a traffic stop.

2248 23152(g)/11377HS/11364HS Linden/Malibu(CARP) Pereyra
During a traffic stop the arrestee did not possess a driver's license, a violation of 12500(a)VC. He admitted drinking four beers and snorting methamphetamine three to four hours before being contacted by Deputies. He displayed both mental and physical impairment throughout the sobriety tests and operating a motor vehicle while impaired by alcohol and methamphetamine, a violation of 23152(g) VC - DUI Drugs/Alcohol. During a pat down/consensual search of his person he was in possession of methamphetamine, a violation of 11377(a)HS- Possession of Methamphetamine. In addition, he admitted having a methamphetamine pipe in the rear pocket of the passenger side seat, a violation of 11364 HS- Possession of Paraphernalia. He was arrested, transported, and booked at the SBJ for the afore mentioned violations.

Saturday August 9, 2025

0645 095 1200 block Casitas Pass Rd Hernandez/Blanco/Muneton

An altercation occurred between two males regarding one of them refusing to vacate the property. During the dispute, one of them took the other's cellphone away while he was speaking with a 911 call taker and placed it near his property. The Subject fled the scene prior to law enforcement arrival and was later found to have multiple outstanding warrants. The other male was admonished for trespassing, collected his belongings, and left. Offense report authored.

1350 Traff 6300-blk Carp Ave Hernandez

Records check showed registered owner of motorcycle had a suspended CDL. Traffic stop was initiated, and the rider was confirmed to be the RO. Subject was cited for violation of 14601.2(a) VC.

1717 VAN Motel 6(North) CARP Sanabria

A male driver drove into the western wall of Motel 6 as he was attempting to park his rental vehicle. It was determined that he was not under the influence at the time of the collision and it was uncertain if he mistakenly pressed the gas pedal rather than the break pedal when he was attempting to park. The man was uninjured and no guests were inside the room in which he collided with. A county building inspector arrived on scene and determined the structure was not compromised by the damaged wall and the wall only needed to be reboarded.

Commander's Recap
Coastal Patrol Bureau

August 10, 2025 – August 16, 2025

Sunday Aug 10

2055 488 900 block Maple Ave (CARP) Schoenneman
A turquoise Schwinn bicycle was taken from the front of a residence on Maple

0353 NARC Linden Ave/Carp Beach Sandu
[redacted], who was on probation with search terms, was contacted as he was trying to hide behind the life guard tower at the south end of Linden Avenue. [redacted] was found to be in possession of a meth pipe, meth, and an open container of liquor. [redacted] was cited and released.

Monday Aug 11

0544 VAI Via Real / Rincon (Carp) Skall, Trujillo
Single vehicle TC into the guardrail at the curve approaching Rincon Rd. The driver and solo occupant was transported to the hospital due to neck and back pain.

0711 10852CVC, 23110CVC, 148(a)(1) P.C.700 block Linden (Carp) Sgt Flick
While Sgt Flick was parked on Linden Ave., [redacted] walked up to the patrol vehicle and threw a large back pack striking the windshield and passenger side. The subject then fled on foot and was apprehended a few blocks away. [redacted] was arrested and transported to SBJ.

0749 166c1 P.C. 5900 block Birch (Carp) Trujillo/ Sgt Flick
[redacted] was in violation of a criminal protective order when he was found to be sleeping in the park with the protected person, after a call for service of trespassers [redacted] was arrested and transported to SBJ.

1939 019 4700 block Ninth St (CARP) Schoenneman
RP called to report a stolen vehicle. RP stated it was left in front of the residence while unloading groceries when someone took it. The doors were unlocked with the keys still in it at approximately 1930 hours. RP was unable to provide a license plate number or any additional information about the vehicle as she stated she had just purchased it for cash earlier the same day. Upon reviewing security footage, no vehicle was observed parked in front of the residence or in the community during the time she said it was taken. Deputies were unable to confirm a vehicle was stolen.

Tuesday Aug 12

1444 537 Motel 6 South (Carp) Skall
Motel 6 reported a counterfeit $100 bill was used to pay for a room on 8/10. Deputies obtained suspect information.

0211 647f 600 block Ash Ave (Carp) Sandu
A female called and reported she arrived home and was scared to get out of her vehicle because a male subject was in the apartment complex parking lot, appeared UI, and was staring at her. Deputies located [redacted] walking aimlessly in the parking lot. [redacted] believed he was in Santa Barbara and was going to walk to his home in Carpinteria. [redacted] was intoxicated and was arrested and booked at SBJ

Wednesday Aug 13

1203 Incident Rpt 4600 Carp Ave (CARP) Van Duzer

RP stated he parked his vehicle in the 4600 block of Carp Ave, and when he returned a short time later it was gone. After entering the information into SVS, the vehicle was located on Holly and Carp Ave. Surveillance cameras from Reyes Market were reviewed and it showed the RP parking the vehicle and walking away from it. When the RP was contacted to retrieve the vehicle, he said he had forgotten where he had parked and thought the vehicle had been stolen.

1329 594 PC 4800 block 9th Street (CARP) Van Duzer

RP reported an unknown suspect vandalized his vehicle overnight. Report taken for documentation.

1506 VAN 4900 block Sawyer Av. (CARP) Wreede

Deputies responded for a traffic collision. The Driver, who is not from the area, was visiting a friend on Sawyer Av. While leaving she mapped the directions due to not knowing how to get to the freeway. While driving about 5 mph, she looked down at her phone to confirm she was going the correct route when she drifted into V2 (Toyota truck) which was parked on the side of the road. The front tire on V1 (Audi SUV) went up the rear tire on V2 and elevated V1 until it eventually rolled onto its side. No injuries to D1 and no signs of impairment.

Thursday Aug 14

0708 487PC 4700 block Sandyland Road (Carp) Van Duzer

On 08/13/2025 at approximately 2030 hours, the victim locked her green electric bicycle in the front patio common area of her apartment complex. The following morning at approximately 0645 hours, the victim returned to her bicycle and discovered it had been stolen.

1829 20002VC 1024 Casitas Pass Road Pereyra

RP called to report a WFA about 60 years old side swiped his truck near Goodwill. The female stepped out of her vehicle and acknowledged she side swiped his vehicle. Although she initially denied hitting his vehicle, she later agreed to cover the damage. However, when the RP requested to file it with the insurance company she refused, returned to her vehicle, and sped off. The RP was able to obtain vehicle description & license plate information.

0321 HS11351/11352 3900 block Via Real Sanabria

A vehicle was observed making an improper right-hand turn and speeding. A traffic enforcement stop was conducted, and the vehicle drove quickly into a dirt driveway of 3902 Via Real. [redacted] and [redacted] were contacted and found to be in violation of H&S 11364(a) and H&S 11377(a). During the investigation, narcotic detectives located approximately 3oz of suspected fentanyl and 260 pills of suspected Xanax approximately 15 yards away from where the vehicle yielded. Both [redacted] and [redacted] were arrested and booked at the main jail for numerous H&S violations.

Friday Aug 15

1121 470 PC 5425 Carp Ave (CARP) Van Duzer

Victim placed a check in the post office box at the sidewalk of the Carp Post Office. He later learned the payee information on the check had been altered.

1225 Warrant 5464 Carp Ave (CARP) Hernandez

Known subject [redacted] was observed in a vehicle parked near the entrance of the Carp Creek Bike Path. When contacted, a green Rad e-bike was on the sidewalk next to the vehicle. [redacted] said an unknown subject had told him to look after the bike but he didn't know the subject. The bike matched the description of one stolen days earlier from an apartment on Sandyland Road. A records check showed [redacted] had an outstanding felony warrant so he was arrested and booked into SBCJ. The bike was taken for

safekeeping at this time as we are still trying to confirm it's true owner. Deputies learned the bicycle was in fact stolen and added charges to [redacted] arrest.

1400 DUI/602 PC 4200 Via Real (CARP) Blanco

Deputies responded to Motel 6 due to an intoxicated guest who was refusing to leave the room. Deputies contacted [redacted] who was found to be HBD but not in violation of 647(f) PC. Kelly was allowed to make arrangements to leave the property and was advised due to her level of intoxication and having a suspended CDL, she could not drive from the location. A short time later, Deputy Blanco observed [redacted] driving through the parking lot of Motel 6 and initiated a contact based on the prior observations. [redacted] was uncooperative and was attempting to leave on foot so Deputy Blanco detained her in handcuffs. [redacted] volunteered to provide a breath sample, which showed her to have a 0.19% BAC. [redacted] was booked into SBCJ.

1755 10851 VC 4200 block Carp Ave (CARP) Mendez

An unknown suspect(s) took the victim's vehicle from the AMR parking lot. The victim left the keys and his wallet inside of the vehicle. Deputies are waiting for footage from the surveillance cameras on the building.

1719 211PC/417PC/245PC 5141 Carpinteria Ave Pereyra

Deputies received a call of a fight. [redacted] approached [redacted] while he slept on a bench. [redacted] punched [redacted] multiple times on the head and face while [redacted] was lying on the wooden bench. [redacted] held onto his cane and used it in attempts to create space/block [redacted] from hitting him further. [redacted] forcefully removed [redacted] cane and brandished it as a weapon, violations of 211PC- Robbery and 417(a)(1)- Brandishing a Deadly Weapon. [redacted] tossed the cane out of reach and proceeded to willfully punch [redacted] in the head and face, causing him substantial physical injury, a violation of 245(a)(1) PC- Assault with a deadly weapon. [redacted] was arrested, transported, and booked at the Santa Barbara County Main jail for being in violation of the afore mentioned violations.

Saturday Aug 16

1716 065 Salt Marsh (CARP) Goodwin

Deputies responded to the Salt Marsh to investigate the report of a child screaming profanities. [redacted] was found with his child, who was having a behavioral episode. [redacted] was found to have an active warrant from Santa Barbara County. The suspect was arrested and booked into SBJ without further incident. The child was released to his mother who responded to the scene.

2128 459PC 5400 block Granada Way (CARP) Goodwin

Victim returned to her residence and found forced entry through the glass door in the master bedroom. The unknown suspect(s) took several highly valuable items and personal documents. Forensics responded and processed the scene.

Commander's Recap
Coastal Patrol Bureau

August 17, 2025 – August 23, 2025

Sunday Aug 17

1021 459.5/69/065 850 Linden Ave (CARP) Dep James and squad

[redacted] shoplifted alcohol from Smart and Final and had an active warrant for his arrest. [redacted] resisted arrest and failed to comply with lawful orders. [redacted] was arrested for 459.5 PC-shoplifting and 69 PC- resisting arrest in addition to his warrants and was booked into jail.

1216 415f 4600 El Carro (Carp) Skall, James

Suspect got upset due to a (legally) parked truck in front of his residence, and started a confrontation with the owner. The confrontation got physical when the suspect went over to the owners residence and reportedly tried to force his way inside to speak with the mans son-in-law. Both declined medics, and ultimately both declined prosecution. Both were given trespass admonishments. Incident report.

Monday Aug 18

0632 459A 5900 block Hickory St (CARP) James

Victim reported two windows in their truck were broken and approximately $7,000 tools were stolen.

0815 459A 5900 block Birch St (CARP) James

Victim reported the back window of her vehicle was shattered and her black Nike duffle bag with clothing was stolen. Also inside the duffle bag was a brace for her dislocated arm. Victim estimated loss of $600 or more..

0947 594 4600 block Seventh St (CARP) James

Victim reported graffiti on the outside of his fence near the walking path to the Salt Marsh. Victim became aware of the graffiti after he received a violation notice in the mail from Carp City Code Enforcement and wanted to make a report.

1345 019 Heath Ranch Park (Carp) Skall

A resident on La Tierra Ln turned in a 9mm live round, which he found earlier in the dirt path over at the park. The park was searched for additional 019 items, but none found.

1411 602 451 Linden (CARP) Skall

Assisted Amtrak police with trespasser on the train. [redacted] of San Diego refused to disembark and was arrested.

Wednesday Aug 20

2200 647(f)PC 200 Block Ash Av(CARP) Pereyra

Deputies responded to a report of a male trying to chase a female. Upon arrival deputies contacted [redacted] inside his vehicle. [redacted] was under the influence of alcohol. His speech was slurred and thick, his eyes were red and watery, he was unable to maintain his balance, and I could smell a strong odor of alcohol emitting from his breath and person. Based on his behavior and symptomology he was unable to care for his safety or the safety of others, a violation of 647(f)PC- Public Intoxication. [redacted] was arrested & booked in SBJ

Thursday Aug 21

0737 PC 211, PC 242 5320 Carpinteria Ave. (Carp) Rodriguez

Deputies responded to the report of a battery near the bus stop. Deputies contacted [redacted] and the victim. The investigation revealed the two had been on the MTD bus and were kicked off for arguing. Once off the bus [redacted] followed the victim and challenged him to fight. [redacted] then punched him in the face and took his skateboard. [redacted] was arrested and booked into jail without incident.

0823 594PC 580 Linden Ave (CARP) Van Duzer

Deputies responded to Smart and Final for a report of vandalism. Upon arrival, deputies spoke to the RP who stated an unknown suspect vandalized wiring on the outside of the business on the North wall. The wiring locks the wheels to shopping carts which stops them from leaving the property.

1443 PC 488 5446 Eight St (Carp) Rodriguez

The rear license plate was stolen from a vehicle .

2214 20002VC Carp Av/Santa Ynez Pereyra

Victim and his minor grandson were stopped at the red light when an unknown vehicle rear ended them, causing them both whiplash. The unknown vehicle reversed and sped off traveling north over the Santa Ynez bridge. The driver(Victim) was transported to the hospital by EMS, as he was experiencing dizziness and pain to the back of his head.

2339 23152(a)/ 23152(b) Arbol Verde/Carp Av(CARP) Pereyra

[redacted] was playing loud music in his vehicle, a violation of 27007VC- Amplified Sound and did not have a functioning license plate lamp, a violation of 24601VC- License Plate Lamp. When contacted, his eyes were watery, and his pupils were dilated. Through sobriety test it was determined [redacted] was operating a motor vehicle while impaired by alcohol, a violation of 23152(a)- Driving while Under the Influence of Alcohol. [redacted] provided a total of three breath samples of .08, a violation of 23152(b)- Driving over .08% BAC. He was arrested, transported, and booked at the SBJ for being in violation of 23152(a)VC and 23152(b)VC.

Friday Aug 22

1553 20002 VC 5400 Carp Ave (Carp) Van Duzer

RP returned to her vehicle and discovered TC damage.

0036 23152(a)/23152(b) VC/VAN 4670 Seventh (Carp) Pereyra/Mendez

Deputies were dispatched to a report of an "Apple iPhone Crash Notification." Upon arrival it was discovered that the driver, [redacted], had crashed his vehicle into two parked cars. [redacted] displayed objective symptomology of being under the influence of alcohol and was subsequently subject to Standardized Field Sobriety Tests. He was unable to perform them as instructed and demonstrated. [redacted] was an unlicensed driver and was ultimately arrested for 23152 VC and 12500 VC. He was arrested & transported to SBJ.

Saturday Aug 23

0930 072 Carp Creek Van Duzer

On 08/21/2025, bike theft victim called to see if anyone found/recovered electric bikes. The victim reported his e-bike stolen to State Parks LE. The victim provided a picture and serial number of his stolen bike. On 08/23/2025, deputies were canvassing the Carpinteria Creek and located the victim's stolen bicycle in the bushes. The e-bike was returned to State Parks who completed a supplemental report documenting the incident under their report. The victim was contacted and advised to call State Parks to pick up his bike.

1211 065 1200 block Casitas Pass (Carp) Hernandez

[redacted] was known to have warrants (felony and misdemeanor) for his arrest. He was observed in front of the location and when contacted, he was less than cooperative and was attempting to pull away. Once another unit arrived, he was taken into custody and booked without further incident at SBJ.

1811 065 5750 Via Real (Carp) Pereyra

Deputies responded for a call of a vehicle that crashed into a home. [redacted] was driving his vehicle. A neighbor was blocking his driveway. He got out off his vehicle and was arguing with his neighbor. His vehicle was running and rolled back into unit 304, causing visible damage. A records check of [redacted] indicated he had an active $50,000 felony warrant issued by Orange County Sheriffs- Coroner. He was arrested, booked, and transported to the Santa Barabara County Jail.

2158 646.9/273.6 4000 block Via Real (Carp) Pereyra

Deputies responded for a violation of a criminal restraining order. After speaking to the victim it was evident [redacted] violated the restraining order terms by being within less than 100 feet of the victim's person and home, by knocking on her door, speaking to her directly, threatening her, using foul language, and leaving her love notes. [redacted] was arrested, booked, and transported to SBJ

Commander's Recap
Coastal Patrol Bureau

August 24, 2025 – August 30, 2025

Sunday Aug 24

0756 4462.5 VC 9th Street Lot (CARP) Hernandez

[redacted] was observed sitting in her vehicle which was displaying a false registration tab. She was cited and warned about having a vehicle on a public roadway after it was expired over 6 months.

1310 094 (Weapon Violation) Sandyland/Holly Hernandez

Traffic stop was initiated on a vehicle for not displaying license plates. The driver (Oklahoma resident) admitted to possession of a gun in the vehicle. After he was removed from the vehicle, the female passenger was told to exit and a coin purse dropped from the waistband of her shorts. The coin purse contained meth and a meth pipe. A search of the vehicle revealed a loaded Springfield XD40 handgun in a backpack on the rear floorboard. Dispatch assisted with a criminal history check from Oklahoma, which showed the driver had one felony conviction for possession of a controlled substance. Both were arrested & booked into SBCJ.

1437 019 3375 Via Real Wreede

Several employees from Santa Barbara Polo Fields received multiple disturbing texts from a fellow co worker. The Subject made rambling and odd statements. Subject failed to show up at work VCSO was contacted and asked to conduct a welfare check in Ventura. An incident report was authored and forwarded to VCSO.

2052 273.6 5200 block Cambridge Ln (CARP) Schoenneman

PP called to report a restraining order violation. Deputies were unable to contact the Suspect. Report to be authored and forwarded to the DA's office for charges.

2300 065 Carp Ave / Bailard Ave (CARP) Goodwin

A traffic enforcement stop was conducted on a vehicle, and it was confirmed that the driver/sole occupant, [redacted], had an active Santa Barbara County Warrant. [redacted] was arrested and booked into SBJ for the warrant.

Monday Aug 25

1715 DUI 1300 block Dahlia Ct (CARP) Goodwin

Deputies responded to the area due to a report of a male drinking beer inside the vehicle and a possible domestic disturbance inside the vehicle. The vehicle was located at Chevron gas station and the driver, [redacted], was found to be under the influence of alcohol. He refused SFSTs and was arrested for violation of VC 23152(a). [redacted] provided two breath samples which both were 0.15%BAC, in violation of VC 23152(b). [redacted] was transported and booked into SBJ for the violations.

1730 487 PC 794 Linden Ave (CARP) Rodriguez

At about 1200 hours, RP noticed she left her purse at Dart Coffee shop in the morning. RP went back to the business and the bag was no longer there and no one had turned it into the business. The bag, laptop, checks, and work keys were stolen, in violation of 487 PC since the value is over $950.

1924 VAI Palmetto Wy/Via Real (CARP) Schoenneman

Deputies responded for a traffic accident involving a vehicle & bicycle. The Bicyclist was transported to the hospital due to a head injury.

Tuesday Aug 26

0905 459.5 Smart & Final(CARP) Skall

Unknown Hispanic male suspect stole a bottle of tequila from Smart & Final. Employees followed the male and confronted him, causing him to put the bottle down in the alley then continue to walk away. The Suspect was gone when Deputies arrived. A BOL has been sent out to Station Deputies

2002 NARC Carp Av/Carp Creek Bike Path (CARP) Schoenneman

Deputies were dispatched to a vehicle that had driven onto the Carpinteria Creek Bike Path. The driver, [redacted], and his girlfriend, [redacted], were both arrested for 11364(a) H&S, possessing drug paraphernalia, and 11350(a) H&S, being under the influence of a controlled substance, after a DAR seven-step exam. [redacted] had been using his vehicle to transport sheets of plywood and lumber to the creek bed to construct shelters.

Wednesday Aug 27

1236 20001 VC Seventh St/Holly Ave (CARP) Van Duzer

Deputies responded to a hit and run collision at the intersection of Seventh Street and Holly Avenue. A black Chrysler 300 travelling eastbound Seventh Street rear ended a white Ford F-150 which was stopped facing eastbound at the stop sign. The driver and occupants of the Chrysler exited the vehicle and fled on foot. The area was canvassed with negative results. The registered owner of the Chrysler was contacted and she responded to the scene with her boyfriend. The RO stated she gave "[redacted]" permission to borrow her vehicle the day prior. The vehicle was towed by the RO. A hit and run traffic collision report will be completed along with additional canvassing for video surveillance for the driver of the Chrysler.

Thursday Aug 28

0810 Narc Violations Santa Claus Beach (CARP) Hernandez

Traffic stop was initiated for expired registration. The occupants stated they stopped while on their way home to Simi Valley after spending some time at the Casino. Driver consented to a search which resulted in numerous meth pipes and a couple of baggies of meth in small quantities being located throughout the vehicle. Each were cited for possession and paraphernalia.

1321 10851VC 4416 Via Real (CARP) Van Duzer

Deputies responded to the above location (laundry business) for a report of a stolen vehicle. The victim left her unattended bag on a counter which contained her car keys. The suspect entered the business and took the victim's keys from the bag. The suspect walked to the parking lot and stole the victim's vehicle which was parked in the parking lot. BOL sent to 55, 35 and CHP units. Upon review of a photograph of the suspect taken from a witness, the suspect was identified as the same suspect from numerous cases involving theft related crimes all in the City of Carpinteria within the last few days. Additional canvassing for video surveillance will be conducted in attempt to identify the suspect.

0500 647(f)PC 4300 block Verano Dr (CARP) J.Maritnez

[redacted] was located on the sidewalk after a report of a fight. [redacted] was arrested for being in violation of 647(f)PC. No others were located.

2001 273.5PC 400 Palm Ave (Carp) Pereyra

Deputies responded to Carpinteria State Beach Campground to assist Park Rangers with a domestic dispute. [redacted] and the victim engaged in a verbal argument that turned physical. [redacted] caused visible injuries, a violation of 273.5PC- Corporal Injury. [redacted] was arrested and booked at SBJ.

2111 647(f)PC Linden Av/Fifth St (CARP) J.Maritnez

[redacted] was arrested for being in violation of 647(f)PC after yelling to multiple people in the area.

0145 23152 VC 101 Santa Monica (CARP) Brady

Vehicle was stopped for tinted windows and speeding in construction zone. Driver was found to be U/I drugs then booked into SBCJ after consenting to blood draw.

Friday Aug 29

1325 459.5 PC 850 Linden Ave (CARP) James

Manager at Smart and Final called to report a shoplifting that just occurred. An employee followed the WMJ who was fleeing on a skateboard to the area of Carp Ave and Lavendar Court and lost visual. Deputies checked the area but were UTL. The unknown suspect stole a handle of Tito's vodka and two red Gatorades.

2340 273.6PC Via Real Pereyra

Deputies responded to a call of a domestic disturbance at the Casa de Las Flores apartment complex. While in route, dispatch informed deputies there was a served no-contact restraining order. [redacted] violated the restraining order by going to the protected address where three protected parties were present along with a protected vehicle and engaged in a verbal argument, a violation of 273.6(a)PC- Restraining Order Violation. [redacted] was arrested & booked at SBJ

Saturday Aug 30

1924 PC 370 801 Linden Avenue(CARP) Schoenneman

Deputies received a call from the manager of The Nugget, who had reported someone defecating across the street. The RP desired to sign a citizens' arrest form. Subsequently, the suspect, [redacted], was arrested and transported to SBJ for PC 370- Public nuisance

2315 PC 647(f) 5500 Carpinteria Avenue (CARP) Cole

Deputy Cole was traveling eastbound on Carpinteria Avenue when he saw a male lying on the sidewalk with his arms spread to his side and one of his hands hanging off the curb into the bike lane. The male was identified as [redacted] and he had a strong odor of alcohol emanating from his person. Due to [redacted] not able to care for himself, he was arrested and booked at SBJ for PC647(f).

Agenda Section: City Manager's Report
Agenda Item No.: N/A
Council Meeting Date: September 8, 2025

MEMORANDUM

Council Meeting Date: **September 8, 2025**

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Michael Ramirez, City Manager

Subject: **City Manager's Report**

CITY EMPLOYEE UPDATES

Recruitments

Below is a partial list of open recruitments and their current status. Additional information on City job openings is available online at https://carpinteriaca.gov/city-hall/human-resources/.

- Environmental Program Specialist – Full-Time
  - Pending screening

UPDATES ON DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

Chevron Carpinteria Oil & Gas Facilities Decommissioning and Remediation Project

While the City and Chevron await the California Coastal Commission's (Coastal Commission) consideration of an appeal filed following the City Council's approval of the onshore portions of the Chevron Decommissioning and Remediation Project (reported in the 08/25/25 City Manager's Report), the Coastal Commission is scheduled to consider the request for a Coastal Development Permit for the offshore portion of Chevron's decommissioning project on Friday, September 12th. The offshore portion of the project covers the removal of the submerged pipelines from the mean high tide line where the pipeline bundles cross the City's beach out to the State Waters boundary, approximately 3 miles offshore. The Coastal Commission staff is recommending approval of the project with the incorporation of several special conditions intended to minimize impacts to sensitive resources and habitats, and public coastal access. The agenda and staff report for the item can be found on the Coastal Commission website at: https://www.coastal.ca.gov/meetings/agenda/#/2025/9

OTHER CITY/COMMUNITY UPDATES

County of Santa Barbara Cannabis Odor Regulations

At the upcoming Coastal Commission hearing on Thursday, September 11, 2025, the Commisison will be considering a request to amend the County of Santa Barbara's Local Coastal Program (LCP) to update the cannabis odor regulations as they apply in the Coastal Zone portion of the unincoprporated County (e.g., the unincoporated Carpinteria Valley). The changes, which were adopted by the County Board of Supervisors in March 2025, require all cannabis cultivation and processiong operations to update their respective odor abatement plans to incorporate carbon filtration systems, and to have those systems installed and operational by March 2026. The LCP amendment would also adopt a new objective odor threshold, measured at the property line, and create an improved process for monitoring compliance and responding to odor complaints. The Coastal Commission staff is recommended approval of the LCP amendment with several minor modifications. City staff has spent the past several years advocating for stronger odor protections, including helping inform the final regulations adopted by the County. Accordingly, City staff has submitted a letter of support for the new stregthened odor standards to the Coastal Commission. More information on this item, including the agenda and staff report can be found at: https://www.coastal.ca.gov/meetings/agenda/#/2025/9

Dia De Los Abuelos

Dia de los Abuelos was held on 8/28 and was a huge success. It was a packed house with food, dancers, heartfelt crafts distributed by Girls Inc., and a good feeling all around.

Lecture Series

AgeWell will host a Secrets to downsizing Lecture with Karen Martin, Founder of Curated Transitions, on Thursday, September 18, at 1:00 PM in the Veterans Hall meeting room (941 Walnut Ave). Learn practical tips and strategies for simplifying your living space and approaching downsizing with confidence.

AgeWell Celebrates Carpinteria's 60th Retro Birthday Bash

AgeWell will celebrate the City of Carpinteria's 60th birthday in retro style on Thursday, September 25th, at 1:00 PM in the Veterans Hall meeting room. Guests will dress in their grooviest outfit and participate in an afternoon filled with far out fun.

Creek Week Bluffs Guided Nature Walk

AgeWell, in collaboration with the City's Environmental Sustainability Division, will have a scenic and educational guided nature walk along the beautiful Carpinteria Bluffs in celebration of Creek Week. The walk will take place on Friday, September 26th at 2:00 PM, beginning at the Bluff Trailhead, located at the corner of Bailard Avenue and Carpinteria Avenue.

For more information, please contact sustainability@carpinteriaca.gov.

AgeWell End of Summer Pool Party

AgeWell will host its End of Summer Pool Party on Saturday, September 6, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Carpinteria Community Pool. Attendees will be able to enjoy a poolside lunch and recreational activities in the water.

Second Annual Dog Day Afternoon

The City will participate in the Second Annual Dog Day Afternoon on Saturday, September 6, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Monte Vista Park, hosted by the Carpinteria Dog Owners Group (C-DOG). The Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Department and the Public Works Department will present preliminary design plans for the permanent dog park and gather community feedback. Participants will also vote on their preferred amenities for inclusion in the project. The preliminary design and digital voting platform are available on the City's website through the end of September for those who are not able to attend the event: https://carpinteriaca.gov/dogparkfeedback/.

Sunday Swim Lessons

Sunday swim lessons will begin on September 7. To date, a total of 50 swimmers, ranging in age from 9 months to 42 years, are registered for the program. The first Parent-Child Class currently has 10 registered participants. Lessons are scheduled to continue through September 28.

Community Garden Meet & Greet

The Community Garden welcomed new Garden Coordinator Ruby Wedbush on August 7. A Coordinator Meet & Greet will take place on Wednesday, September 10, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Garden. New volunteers have also joined the program, assisting with weeding and other ongoing projects.

Watercolor Painting Class

The Garden will host Santa Barbara City College's School of Extended Learning Watercolor Painting Class on Tuesday, September 16, from 9:00 to 11:30 AM. A similar class in July brought more than 20 artists to paint scenes of the Garden.

Vegetable Gardening Class

The UC Master Gardeners of Santa Barbara County will offer a four-part Victory Vegetable Gardening class series at the Community Garden, beginning on Saturday, September 20, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Registration is available through the UC Master Gardeners' website. https://ucanr.edu/county/santa-barbara-county/uc-master-gardeners-santa-barbara-county

Agenda Section: Planning Commission Actions
Agenda Item No.: N/A
Council Meeting Date: September 8, 2025

MEMORANDUM

Date: **September 3, 2025**

To: **City Council**

From: **Nick Bobroff, Community Development Director**

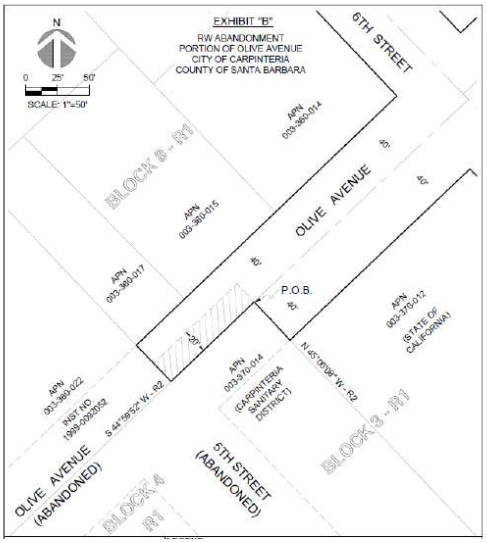
Subject: **September 2, 2025 Planning Commission Action**

On Tuesday, September 2nd, the Planning Commission considered the following hearing requests with Commissioners Allen (virtual), Benefield, La Fevers, Moyer, and Van Antwerp in attendance:

1) **Carpinteria Sanitary District Government Code Consistency Determination**
   Planner: Bret McNulty
   Applicant: Craig Murray, Carpinteria Sanitary District
   Project: 24-2313-GC
   Location: 500 block Olive Avenue

   Hearing at the request of the Carpinteria Sanitary District (CSD) to consider Project 24-2313-GC for a determination that a proposed street vacation of an unimproved 1,800 square foot (20' x 90') portion of the public street right-of-way located in the 500 block of Olive Avenue, adjacent to APN 003-360-015, would be consistent with the City of Carpinteria General Plan/Coastal Land Use Plan, pursuant to Government Code §65402. The proposed street vacation would facilitate necessary modifications and improvements to the existing CSD wastewater treatment facility located at APN 003-360-015 in conjunction with the Carpinteria Valley Water District's Carpinteria Advanced Purification Project (CAPP).

   The Planning Commission voted 4-0 (Van Antwerp recused) to adopt Resolution PC-25-007, thereby determining that the requested street vacation would be consistent with the City's General Plan/Coastal Land Use Plan.



2) **Carpinteria Advanced Purification Project**
Planner: Bret McNulty
Project: Chris Malejan, PE, PMP, on behalf of the Carpinteria Valley Water District
Locations: 5351 Sixth Street; 1532 Linden Avenue, and various
City of Carpinteria public road rights-of-way.

Hearing on the request of the Carpinteria Valley Water District (CVWD) to consider Project 24-2313-CUP/CDP for approval of a Conditional Use Permit and Coastal Development Permit for the Carpinteria Advanced Purification Project (CAPP). The CAPP is being proposed to augment surface water sources with a potable reuse project to address on-going shortfalls caused by regional drought conditions. The CAPP consists of an advanced water purification facility (AWPF) that will be constructed at the existing Carpinteria Sanitary District (CSD) wastewater treatment facility located at 5300 Sixth Street, and will treat effluent to a higher level of purity than currently achieved. The purified water from the new AWPF would be conveyed by a new pipeline, and an injection and monitoring well system that will replenish the Carpinteria Valley Groundwater Basin Aquifer and allow for the monitoring of water quality. After the project is installed, the CVWD will extract the purified groundwater from existing wells to augment their customers' water supply. The proposed pipeline route would affect portions of the Olive Avenue, Sixth Street, Maple Avenue, Carpinteria Avenue, Eugenia Place, Linden Avenue, and Meadow View Lane rights-of-way. Injection well and monitoring well sites are proposed to be located on the St. Joseph Church property at 1532 Linden Avenue, and near the western terminus of Meadow View Lane, near the Franklin Creek channel.

The Planning Commission voted 4-0 (Van Antwerp recused) to adopt Resolution PC-25-008, thereby approving a Conditional Use Permit and Coastal Development Permit for the project; and accepting the previously certified Final Environmental Impact Report and Addendum No. 1 as prepared and certified by the Carpinteria Valley Water District, acting as lead agency, as having satisfied the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act.

As part of the Planning Commission's action, the Commission made the following revisions to the project Conditions of Approval shown in strikeout and underline below:

Revised Condition of Approval 23. In addition to the mitigation measures in the EIR above, CVWD shall include the following environmental commitments in its contracting documents:

- *Compliance with Permit Requirements. CVWD and/or CSD shall acquire and comply with necessary permits, depending on which facility locations are selected in final project design. Potential permits are shown in ~~Error! Reference source not found.~~ Table 2-4. Permits and Approvals, of the FEIR,*

may reflect the mitigation measures proposed in this EIR, and may include additional environmental commitments suggested by the permitting entity. CVWD shall obtain and comply with the SWRCB's General Construction Permit, including preparation of a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP), for all Project facilities. CVWD and/or CSD shall prepare appropriate noticing as required for permits, such as may be required for the California Coastal Commission Coastal Development Permit.

New Condition of Approval 37. ***Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement****. Applicant shall provide to CDD a copy of the fully executed Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement (JEPA) between the Carpinteria Valley Water District and Carpinteria Sanitary District. The JEPA shall formally obligate both parties to construct, operate and maintain the Project, and articulate each District's respective obligations thereto.* ***Plan Requirements and Timing****: A copy of the fully executed JEPA shall be submitted to CDD prior to issuance of any Building or Engineering Permits.* ***Monitoring****: CDD shall confirm receipt of fully executed JEPA.*

New Condition of Approval 41. ***Monitoring Well Cluster Approval****. Prior to issuance of any Building or Engineering Permits for construction of the Meadow View Lane Injection Well, applicant shall provide proof of an approved and final entitlement for the required monitoring well cluster associated with the Meadow View Lane Injection Well. A copy of an issued Coastal Development Permit (or equivalent) from the relevant local agency with jurisdiction over the monitoring well cluster shall satisfy this requirement.* ***Plan Requirements and Timing****: Applicant shall submit a copy of the approved and issued Permit to CDD prior to issuance of any Building or Engineering Permits for the construction of the Meadow View Lane Injection Well.* ***Monitoring:*** *CDD shall confirm receipt of the approved and issued Permit and retain a copy in the project files.*

New Condition of Approval 43. ***Post Construction Injection Well Noise Monitoring****. The applicant (CVWD) will conduct noise monitoring of each injection well during normal injection well operations and two backwash cycles. Should noise levels exceed predicted levels at the boundary of the respective well enclosures, the applicant will identify additional noise mitigation measures necessary to reduce the noise to an undetectable level.* ***Plan Requirements and Timing****: The noise monitoring report, with mitigation measures as necessary, shall be submitted to the Community Development Department for review within two months after the wells commence operations. The City reserves the right, for any reason, to contract for professional services for a peer review of the noise monitoring study, or for a noise study for the purposes of ascertaining operational noise levels at the well sites, at the expense of the applicant.* ***Monitoring:*** *CDD shall be responsible for the review and approval of the report findings. In the event additional noise mitigation measures are found to be required, applicant shall install any needed mitigation and conduct an updated monitoring report to demonstrate compliance.*

LEGEND
AWPF
WWTP Property Boundary
Pipeline
Existing Pipeline
Injection Well
Monitoring Well
Monitoring Well Cluster
Meadow View Injection Well
Linden Injection Well
Linden Monitoring Well Cluster
Existing pipeline across Highway 101 constructed by Caltrans.

Agenda Section: Consent Calendar
Agenda Item No.: 5
Council Meeting Date: September 8, 2025

City of Carpinteria
City Council Minutes
Regular Meeting
Monday, August 25, 2025

Council Chamber, 5775 Carpinteria Avenue, Carpinteria, CA 93013

In-Person and Virtual

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Alarcon called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present:	Councilmember Al Clark	(District No. 5)
	Councilmember Julia Mayer	(District No. 3)
	Councilmember Wade T. Nomura	(District No. 4)
	Vice Mayor Mónica J. Solórzano	(District No. 1)
	Mayor Natalia Alarcon	(District No. 2)

Staff members present:
Michael Ramirez, City Manager
Jena Shoaf Acos, on behalf of Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP acting as City Attorney of the City of Carpinteria
Brian C. Barrett, City Clerk
Eric Castro, City Librarian
Terra Furuta, Community Engagement Library Specialist
Torrie Cutbirth, Program Manager
Ruby Wedbush, Community Garden Coordinator
DeLayni Millar, Environmental Program Manager
Jeanette Gant, Parks, Recreation & Community Services Director
Nick Bobroff, Community Development Director
Stephon Downes, Management Analyst II
David Hernandez, Code Compliance Supervisor

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Alarcon led those present in the salute to the flag.

COUNCILMEMBER(S) REQUEST FOR REMOTE PARTICIPATION UNDER AB 2449

There were no Councilmember requests for remote participation under AB 2449.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS: NONE

INTRODUCTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Introduction of New Employees: Terra Furuta, Community Engagement Library Specialist, Ruby Wedbush, Community Garden Coordinator and newly promoted employee DeLayni Millar, Environmental Program Manager.

City Librarian Castro introduced Terra Furuta, Community Engagement Library Specialist. Program Manager Cutbirth introduced Ruby Wedbush, Community Garden Coordinator. City Manager Ramirez introduced DeLayni Millar who was promoted to Environmental Program Manager. Each new employee provided remarks.

There was no public comment.

2. Carpinteria Advanced Purification Project (CAPP) Update Presentation by Bob McDonald, General Manager of Carpinteria Valley Water District.

Carpinteria Valley Water District General Manager Bob McDonald provided the PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions from the Council.

Speakers in-person: Scott Grieve

PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Daisy Weber, District Director, on behalf of First District Supervisor Roy Lee, provided an update on the County's cannabis enforcement budget, cannabis acreage cap reduction, status of all re-zoning applications in unincorporated Carpinteria, and an update on Carpinteria Bluffs County Funding ($800,000).

There was no public comment.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

a. City Employee Updates

   City Manager Ramirez reported on City recruitments.

b. Updates on Capital Improvement Projects

   None.

c. Updates on Development Applications

City Manager Ramirez reported that the City Council's July 15th decision to uphold the Planning Commission's approval of the Chevron Carpinteria Oil & Gas Facilities Decommissioning and Remediation Project was appealed to the California Coastal Commission by a member of the public and the Commission will schedule consideration of the appeal for a public hearing in the coming months.

d. Other City/Community Updates

Parks, Recreation & Community Services Director Gant provided an update on upcoming events through the Community Pool, AgeWell, and the Community Library.

There was no public comment.

PLANNING COMMISSION ACTIONS

Community Development Director Bobroff reported on the Planning Commission Actions from its meeting of August 4, 2025.

As the Council began to ask questions regarding the Klentner Mixed Use Project Hotel Conversion Appeal (Item No. 2 on the August 4, 2025 Planning Commission agenda), Vice Mayor Solórzano stated she had a conflict of interest with the project and asked if she should recuse herself.

Legal Counsel Acos replied that if the Council wanted to have additional discussion on this project, she recommended Vice Mayor Solórzano recuse herself form the discussion out of an abundance of caution and due to the project being within 500 feet of her primary residence.

Vice Mayor Solórzano left the Council Chambers at 6:35 pm. The Council asked an additional question on the project.

There was no public comment.

Vice Mayor Solórzano returned to the dais at 6:36 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Speakers in-person: Phoenix Hocking, Paul Cordeiro, and Patrick Crooks

Speakers via Zoom: Susan Allen

Emails distributed: Dennis Despars, Marianne Hoffarth, Gina Marchand, Patrick Crooks, and Paul Cordeiro

City Manager Ramirez responded to Mr. Cordeiro's public comment.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

There was no public comment.

Motion by Councilmember Mayer, seconded by Councilmember Nomura, to approve the Consent Calendar Item Nos. 3 through 6. Upon voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

3. Approve the minutes of the special meeting held July 23, 2025 and the regular meeting held July 28, 2025.

4. Receive and file the Expenditures for the period beginning July 21, 2025 and ending August 15, 2025.

5. Receive and file the Report of Contracts Executed by the City Manager for the Period of July 9, 2025 through August 4, 2025.

6. Receive and file the Monthly City Treasurer's Report on Compliance with Statement of Safekeeping an Investment of Public Funds for July 2025.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

7. Adoption of Resolution No. 6418, authorizing the City Manager to execute a Grant Agreement with the California Office of Traffic Safety for the Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program on behalf of MOVE of Santa Barbara County.

   Recommendation: (1) Adopt Resolution No. 6418, authorizing the City Manager to execute a Grant Agreement with the California Office of Traffic Safety for the Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program on behalf of MOVE Santa Barbara County and (2) Approve a budget appropriation in the amount of $30,500 for Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget. *(Requires a roll call vote.)*

Management Analyst II Downes presented the staff report.

There was no public comment.

Motion by Vice Mayor Solórzano, seconded by Councilmember Nomura, to (1) adopt Resolution No. 6418, authorizing the City Manager to execute a Grant Agreement with the California Office of Traffic Safety for the Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program on behalf of MOVE Santa Barbara County and (2) approve a budget appropriation in the amount of $30,500 for Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget.

Councilmember Nomura requested the motion be modified to include staff returning to Council with status updates on meeting the grant objectives.

Vice Mayor Solórzano modified the motion to (1) adopt Resolution No. 6418, authorizing the City Manager to execute a Grant Agreement with the California Office of Traffic Safety for the Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program on behalf of MOVE Santa Barbara County and (2) approve a budget appropriation in the amount of $30,500 for Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget and (3) direct staff to return to the City Council with quarterly status updates on meeting the grant objectives. Councilmember Nomura seconded the modified motion.

The roll call vote on the modified motion was as follows:

AYES: Councilmember Clark, Councilmember Mayer, Councilmember Nomura, Vice Mayor Solórzano, and Mayor Alarcon
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

The modified motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING: NONE

CONSIDERATION OF ANY ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR AND/OR OTHER AGENDA ITEMS REQUESTED TO BE ADVANCED: NONE

MATTERS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS: NONE

OTHER BUSINESS:

8. 2025 Annual Report on Services and Issues Related to Homelessness in Carpinteria.

   Recommendation: Receive and file the 2025 Annual Report on services and issues related to homelessness in Carpinteria.

Code Compliance Supervisor Hernandez provided the staff report. Jett Black-Maertz, Homeless Assistance Program Manager with the County of Santa Barbara and Joe Dzvonik, Assistant Director of the Housing and Community Development with the County of Santa Barbara provided an Update on Homelessness PowerPoint presentation. Kristine J. Schwarz, Executive Director with New Beginnings and Lacey Parsons, Safe Parking Case Manager with New Beginnings provided the Safe Parking PowerPoint presentation.

Speakers via Zoom: Susan Allen

Motion by Vice Mayor Solórzano, seconded by Councilmember Nomura, to receive and file the 2025 Annual Report on services and issues related to homelessness in Carpinteria. Upon voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: NONE

COMMITTEE REPORTS, INQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS PRESENTED BY COUNCILMEMBERS

There were no Committee Reports, Inquiries nor Other Matters Presented by Councilmembers.

ATTENDANCE OF COUNCILMEMBERS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

All Councilmembers are expected to be in attendance at the September 8, 2025 Council meeting.

CLOSED SESSION MATTER

9. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
   Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)
   Title: City Manager Michael Ramirez

10. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
    Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
    Name of Case: *Vasquez Perdomo et al. v. Noem et al*. (Case No. 2:25-cv-05605-MEMF-SP)

Legal Counsel Acos read aloud the titles of the Closed Session matters into the record.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION MATTER

There was no public comment.

TEMPORARY ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Alarcon temporarily adjourned the meeting to Closed Session at 8:13 pm.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Mayor Alarcon reconvened the meeting in Open Session at 10:06 pm with all Councilmembers, City Manager Ramirez, Legal Counsel Acos, and City Clerk Barrett present.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

Legal Counsel Acos announced that there was no reportable action from the Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Alarcon adjourned the meeting at 10:06 pm.

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Natalia Alarcon, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Brian C. Barrett, CMC, CPMC
City Clerk

Agenda Section: Consent Calendar
Agenda Item No.: 6
Council Meeting Date: September 8, 2025

City of Carpinteria

COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT

ITEM FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Expenditures for the period beginning August 18, 2025 and ending August 29, 2025.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Receive and file Warrant Register for the period of August 18, 2025, through August 29, 025, pursuant to Carpinteria Municipal Code 2.08.150(F).

DISCUSSION

As part of each regular City Council agenda, a list of all checks (Attachment A) disbursed since the last reporting period is presented to the City Council pursuant to C.M.C. 2.08.150(F). The report is provided for City Council and public information and serves as staff's verification that the expenditures have been reviewed and are within budgeted appropriations.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The warrant register is designed to communicate the City's fiscal activity since the prior reporting period and ensure expenditures are within the approved budget.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Warrant Register for the period beginning August 18, 2025, and ending August 29, 2025.

Staff contact: Brenda Robinson, Accounting Specialist
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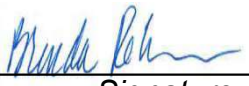

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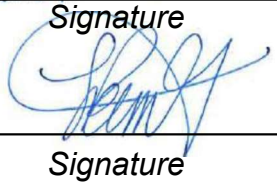
Staff contact: Pamela Greer, Finance Manager
(805) 880-3406, PamG@carpinteriaca.gov



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Reviewed by: Michael Ramirez, City Manager
(805) 755-4450, michaelr@carpinteriaca.gov

Signature

ATTACHMENT A

Warrant Register for the period beginning August 18, 2025, and ending August 29, 2025

Warrant Register

Carpinteria, CA

Date Range: 08/18/2025 - 08/29/2025

Vendor Number / Payable #	Vendor Name / Payable Type	Payable Description	Payment Date	Payment Amount	Number
Bank Code: AP Bank-AP Bank					
Payment Type: Regular					
	4IMPRINT INC		08/21/2025	369.03	106375
29978792	Invoice	SUNSCREEN GIVEAWAYS FOR CITY 60TH ANNIVERSARY			
	AGILENT TECHNOLOGIES		08/21/2025	1,035.98	106376
INV0007924	Invoice	PROJECT CLOSE OUT PL-17-1893			
	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES INC		08/21/2025	672.99	106377
11KQ-YPTV-39NM	Invoice	FAST PATCH FOR TOMOL PARK PLAYGROUND REPAIR			
14TV-4KCP-Q77P	Invoice	BOOKS FOR LIBRARY			
1CJP-1DNM-LWX6	Invoice	BOOKS FOR LIBRARY			
1HX9-TRD1-9DDC	Invoice	STATE OF THE CITY IMAGES OF AMERICA			
1MCC-WRWN-7TP9	Invoice	BOOKS FOR LIBRARY			
1MRG-ND69-7QN6	Invoice	ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FOR CITY OF CARPINTERIA			
	BIG GREEN CLEANING COMPANY		08/21/2025	15,565.00	106378
677081	Invoice	AUG25 CONTRACTED CLEANING SERVICES			
678021	Invoice	PRESSURE WASH & SANTIZE VIOLA RESTROOM			
	CARPINTERIA VALLEY LUMBER CO		08/21/2025	489.62	106379
569878	Invoice	MATERIAL TO REPAIR TOILE CLOG AT COMMUNITY LIBRARY			
569938	Invoice	MATERIAL TO REPAIR WATER MAIN AT SKATE PARK			
569979	Invoice	MATERIAL TO REPAIR BROKEN MAIN LINE AT SKATE PARK			
569980	Invoice	MATERIAL TO REPAIR TOILE CLOG AT COMMUNITY LIBRARY			
570012	Invoice	PADLOCK HASPS FOR LIFEGUARD TOWERS			
570144	Invoice	KEY FOR COMMUNITY GARDEN			
570197	Invoice	POST FIX MATERIAL FOR TOMOL PARK REPAIR			
570224	Invoice	CONCRETE, ADHESIVE FOR TOMOL PARK REPAIR			
	COUNTY SANITATION COMPANY INC STEWARTS & SELZE		08/21/2025	920.00	106380
66586	Invoice	HYDRO-JET MAIN LINE AT CITY HALL 7/25/25			
66684	Invoice	UNCLOG TOILET AT COMMUNITY LIBRARY 8/1/25			
	EASY LIFT TRANSPORTATION		08/21/2025	1,000.00	106381
7643	Invoice	AUG25 COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION SERVICES			
	EUGENIO MIRANDA		08/21/2025	100.00	106382
INV0007926	Invoice	PARK DEPOSIT REFUND			
	FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS		08/21/2025	211.23	106383
AUG25 805-684-7613-04	Invoice	AUG25 PHONE & INTERNET FOR LG TOWER & BOATHOUSE			
	GRAINGER		08/21/2025	280.35	106384
9600466628	Invoice	CORDLESS SANDER & PADS FOR DOWNTOWN BENCHES			
	HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES		08/21/2025	724.78	106385
JUL25 6035 3225 0552 1	Invoice	JUL25 CREDIT CARD PAYMENT			
	JAYNE DIAZ		08/21/2025	790.53	106386
INV0007927	Invoice	SEP25 MEDICAL REIMBURSEMENT			
	JERI O'MAHONEY		08/21/2025	379.92	106387
INV0007928	Invoice	PROJECT CLOSE OUT PL-16-1818			
	LARRY DRIGGERS		08/21/2025	790.53	106388
INV0007930	Invoice	SEP25 MEDICAL REIMBURSEMENT			
	LILIANA CARRILLO		08/21/2025	300.00	106389
INV0007929	Invoice	VETS HALL DEPOSIT REFUND			
	LIN CONSULTING INC.		08/21/2025	8,107.70	106390
15960	Invoice	JUL25 ENGINEERING CARP & PALM AVE INTERSECTION			

	MARY ANN COLSON		08/21/2025	790.53	106391
INV0007932	Invoice	SEP25 MEDICAL REIMBURSEMENT			
	MILLENNIUM HOUSING CORPORATION		08/21/2025	5,705.00	106392
INV0007931	Invoice	PROJECT CLOSE OUT PL-01-1029			
	MISAC		08/21/2025	130.00	106393
300006091	Invoice	SOUTHERN CHAPTER FULL MEMBERSHIP L. MALDONADO			
	MISSION UNIFORM SERVICE		08/21/2025	301.34	106394
524212394	Invoice	MAT REPLACEMENT, UNIFORM CLEANING 7/14/25			
524251748	Invoice	MAT REPLACEMENT, UNIFORM CLEANING 7/21/25			
	MONTANA AVENUE CAPITAL		08/21/2025	1,245.98	106395
INV0007933	Invoice	PROJECT CLOSE OUT PL-16-1843			
	OTILIA RODRIGUEZ		08/21/2025	314.06	106396
INV0007934	Invoice	PROJECT CLOSE OUT PL-19-1968			
	OVERDRIVE INC.		08/21/2025	41.53	106397
01352DA25242482	Invoice	AUG25 EBOOKS/AUDIOBOOKS FOR LIBRARY			
	PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT-COUNTY OF SANTA BARBAI		08/21/2025	302.00	106398
INV0007925	Invoice	JUL25 COUNTY PLANNING CHECKS FOR RINCON MULTI USE			
	RISDON'S 76 SERVICE		08/21/2025	3,068.06	106399
5113 - A85414	Invoice	REPLACE 4 TIRES ON UNIT 250 7/3/25			
5113 - A85470	Invoice	REPLACE 2 TIRES ON UNIT 425 7/10/25			
5113 - A85545	Invoice	REPLACE BALL JOINTS ON UNIT 425 7/17/25			
	SANTA BARBARA PEST CONTROL		08/21/2025	95.00	106400
52309	Invoice	AUG25 PEST CONTROL AT COMMUNITY POOL			
	SHOWSCAPES		08/21/2025	25,465.00	106401
388341799	Invoice	AUG25 LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE			
388341800	Invoice	AUG25 MONTHLY CHEMICAL CHARGE			
388341872	Invoice	LANDSCAPE CLEANUP AT COMMUNITY FARM 8/6/25			
	SILVER STATE COMMERCIAL REFRIGERATION LLC		08/21/2025	717.50	106402
INV4022	Invoice	CITY HALL CONTROL ROOM A/C REPAIR 7/31/25			
	SITEONE LANDSCAPE SUPPLY (ALL AROUND)		08/21/2025	154.49	106403
156690442-001	Invoice	DIRTY WATER VALVE REPLACEMENT EL CARRO			
	SO CA EDISON		08/21/2025	2,533.23	106404
INV0007937	Invoice	PROJECT CLOSE OUT PL-16-1830			
	SO CA EDISON		08/21/2025	17.70	106405
JUL25 700474689651	Invoice	JUL25 ELECTRICITY-4683 9TH ST			
	SO CA EDISON		08/21/2025	1,448.00	106406
INV0007936	Invoice	PROJECT CLOSE OUT PL-15-1796			
	SO CAL GAS		08/21/2025	3,531.80	106407
INV0007935	Invoice	PROJECT CLOSE OUT PL-15-1792			
	SOLID WASTE SOLUTIONS INC		08/21/2025	4,413.50	106408
229	Invoice	JUL25 SOLIDWASTE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES			
	ST JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH		08/21/2025	500.00	106409
INV0007938	Invoice	FESTIVAL DEPOSIT REFUND			
	THE WHARF		08/21/2025	247.18	106410
442965	Invoice	BOOTS, JACKET T. GRAY			
	TWICE AS NICE		08/21/2025	331.56	106411
INV0007939	Invoice	PROJECT CLOSE OUT PL-21-2119			
	UNIQUE MANAGEMENT SERVICES INC		08/21/2025	65.00	106412
6142505	Invoice	JUL25 LOST LIBRARY BOOKS			
	WEST COAST ARBORISTS INC		08/21/2025	19,944.00	106413
232109	Invoice	TREE MAINTENANCE 7/16/25-7/31/25			

	MISSIONSQUARE		08/21/2025	10,914.51	106414
INV0007943	Invoice	MISSIONSQUARE Employee Contributions			
INV0007944	Invoice	Deferred Compensation Contribution-Part Time Emp			
INV0007945	Invoice	MissionSquareEmployee Contributions			
INV0007946	Invoice	MISSIONSQUARE Employee Contributions			
	SEIU LOCAL 620		08/21/2025	235.32	106415
INV0007947	Invoice	Employee Union Dues Contribution			
	FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS		08/21/2025	210.26	106416
AUG25 805-684-4314 06	Invoice	AUG25 PHONE & INTERNET FOR LIBRARY			
	ADOLPH KIEFER AND ASSOCIATES LLC		08/28/2025	2,797.30	106417
ORD001398509	Invoice	2 FIBERGLASS STORAGE BINS FOR COMMUNITY POOL			
	AFLAC		08/28/2025	150.25	106418
997677	Invoice	AUG25 EMPLOYEE PREMIUMS			
	ALICE WISSING		08/28/2025	340.00	106419
8/19/25	Invoice	MINUTES FOR PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING 5/5/25			
	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES INC		08/28/2025	850.69	106420
163D-PQJJ-CMFD	Invoice	COFFEE PRESS, ELECTRIC KETTLE FOR COMMUNITY GARDEN			
1D17-F4GC-VCPJ	Invoice	PRESSURE WASHER, AED CABINETS FOR POOL			
1GTK-PVCG-CJ69	Invoice	CRAFT TILES FOR AGE WELL PROGRAM			
1H7G-4DR9-7GCJ	Invoice	CALENDAR, SIGN HOLDER FOR COMMUNITY POOL OFFICE			
1HT4-VH9W-994P	Invoice	PICNIC SUPPLIES FOR AGE WELL ABUELAS EVENT			
1K6T-WVGJ-4C43	Invoice	BOOKS FOR LIBRARY			
1N7C-TLVY-QRNJ	Invoice	NAME TAG STICKERS, POCKET CONSTITUTION LIBRARY PRO			
1P3G-7NXJ-1MNQ	Invoice	3 BOXES OF MAILING ENVELOPES			
1V6X-TW79-F4WH	Invoice	BOOKS FOR LIBRARY			
1VVC-VWQV-P1Y1	Invoice	PAPER SEED PACKETS FOR LIBRARY PROGRAMS			
	AUTOZONE STORES LLC		08/28/2025	175.80	106421
05719570418	Invoice	BATTERY FOR UNIT 416 8/5/25			
	CALIFORNIA CONSULTING INC.		08/28/2025	12,000.00	106422
7296	Invoice	LWCF GRANT SUBMITTED ON 8/1/25			
	CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES INC		08/28/2025	1,249.52	106423
41617081	Invoice	AUG25 MAINT & SERVICE CANON PRINTERS			
	CARPINTERIA ARTS CENTER		08/28/2025	600.00	106424
9027	Invoice	CITY 60TH ANNIVERSARY ART PROJECT BOARD			
	CARPINTERIA VALLEY LUMBER CO		08/28/2025	579.95	106425
570119	Invoice	GRANITE BIT FOR CONCRETE DRILLING			
570400	Invoice	MARKING CHALK FOR UTILITIES			
570401	Invoice	MATERIALS FOR TOMOL PARK SURFACE PATCHING			
570428	Invoice	LED LIGHT BULBS, ELECTRICAL COVERS FOR VETS HALL			
570473	Invoice	SANDING DISCS FOR CITY BENCHES			
570506	Invoice	CLAMPS FOR LIFE GUARD CHAIR UMBRELLA			
570651	Invoice	3 EA PADLOCKS FOR LIFEGUARD TOWERS			
570716	Invoice	SPRAY PAINT TO COVER GRAFFITI			
570772	Invoice	CLEAT FOR LIFEGUARD TOWER FLAG POLE			
570782	Invoice	FIBERGLASS STEPLADDER FOR LIFEGUARD TOWER			
570914	Invoice	2X10 DOUGLAS FIR FOR TOMO TRAIL EAGLE SCOUT PROJE			
570916	Credit Memo	2X10 DOUGLAS FIR FOR TOMO TRAIL EAGLE SCOUT PROJE			
	CMTA - CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL TREASURERS ASSOCIATI		08/28/2025	125.00	106426
300004243	Invoice	GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATE - INDIVIDUAL L. MALDONADO			
	COAST REPROGRAPHICS CO INC		08/28/2025	525.58	106427
S68350	Invoice	OVERSIZE SCANNING, DIGITAL SVC 9/17/24			
S75420	Invoice	OVERSIZE SCANNING, DIGITAL SVC 6/23/25			
	COASTAL VIEW NEWS		08/28/2025	290.00	106428
62688	Invoice	ABOP AD 8/7/25			
	COUNTY SANITATION COMPANY INC STEWARTS & SELZE		08/28/2025	860.00	106429
66699	Invoice	HYDRO JETTING AT LIBRARY 8/5/25			

	CRISTIAN RODRIGUEZ		08/28/2025	300.00	106430
INV0007950	Invoice	VETS HALL DEPOSIT REFUND			
	EXPLORE ECOLOGY		08/28/2025	4,357.62	106431
4034	Invoice	JUL25 EDUCATION OUTREACH			
	GOGOV		08/28/2025	2,200.00	106432
25-479	Invoice	DATA TICKET SUBSCRIPTION 9/1/25-7/31/26			
	GRAINGER		08/28/2025	49.77	106433
9609692547	Invoice	SANDING DISCS FOR CITY BENCHES			
	GUARDIAN		08/28/2025	8,154.57	106434
AUG25 PREMIUMS	Invoice	AUG25 PREMIUMS			
	HINDERLITER DE LLAMAS		08/28/2025	36,000.00	106435
SIN052187	Invoice	ECONOMIC DEVELOPEMENT SERVICES APR-JUN25			
	INFOARMOR INC		08/28/2025	27.90	106436
6456Aug25	Invoice	AUG25 IDENTITY THEFT EMPLOYEE PREMIUMS			
	MCMASTER-CARR SUPPLY COMPANY		08/28/2025	38.04	106437
50425646	Invoice	ALUMINUM BARS FOR TOMOL TRAIL LIGHT REPLACEMENT			
	MISSION UNIFORM SERVICE		08/28/2025	516.15	106438
524335139	Invoice	MAT REPLACEMENT, UNIFORM CLEANING 8/4/25			
524335140	Invoice	TOWEL & MAT REPLACEMENT CITY HALL 8/4/25			
524376879	Invoice	TOWEL & MAT REPLACEMENT LIBRARY 8/11/25			
524376880	Invoice	TOWEL & MAT REPLACEMENT VETS HALL 8/11/25			
524376882	Invoice	TOWEL & MAT REPLACEMENT POOL 8/11/25			
524376883	Invoice	MAT REPLACEMENT, UNIFORM CLEANING 8/11/25			
524376884	Invoice	TOWEL & MAT REPLACEMENT CITY HALL 8/11/25			
	MRS ENVIRONMENTAL INC		08/28/2025	10,625.02	106439
600-2025-07	Invoice	JUL25 OIL & GAS ON CALL ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES			
	OVERDRIVE INC.		08/28/2025	137.99	106440
01352DA25248048	Invoice	AUG25 EBOOKS/AUDIOBOOKS FOR LIBRARY			
	POLICORE INC.		08/28/2025	7,087.50	106441
403624	Invoice	IT SERVICES-CITY HALL-JUL25			
403625	Invoice	IT SERVICES-LIBRARY-JUL25			
403626	Invoice	IT SERVICES-POOL-JUL25			
	QUADIENT FINANCE USA INC		08/28/2025	1,000.00	106442
AUG25 7900 0440 8110 (	Invoice	POSTAGE FOR CITY HALL 8/22/25			
	QUADIENT LEASING USA INC.		08/28/2025	622.44	106443
Q1985423	Invoice	SEP25-DEC25 LEASE PAYMENT FOR C.H. POSTAGE MACHINE			
	REYNALDOS		08/28/2025	1,604.22	106444
INV0007969	Invoice	SENIOR PROGRAM ANNUAL ABUELAS EVENT 8/28/25			
	ROCKWELL PRINTING		08/28/2025	70.68	106445
47410	Invoice	INVITATIONS FOR HOST VOLUNTEER BANQUET			
	RRM DESIGN GROUP		08/28/2025	13,914.00	106446
2911-01-RC22-4	Invoice	JUL25 FRANKLIN CREEK TRAIL IMPROVEMENT			
	SANDRA ELIZARRARAZ		08/28/2025	100.00	106447
INV0007970	Invoice	PARK DEPOSIT REFUND			
	SANTA BARBARA COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPT		08/28/2025	546,217.00	106448
2682	Invoice	AUG25 CONTRACTED LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICE			
	SITEONE LANDSCAPE SUPPLY (ALL AROUND)		08/28/2025	122.86	106449
156796622-001	Invoice	PVC MATERIAL FOR CITY HALL BACKFLOW REPAIR			
156878132-001	Invoice	DRAIN PIPE SLEEVE FOR SKATE PARK			
	SO CA EDISON		08/28/2025	792.96	106450
AUG25 700163777874	Invoice	AUG25 ELECTRICITY-6145 CARPINTERIA AVE			
AUG25 700827247063	Invoice	AUG25 ELECTRICITY-5781 CARPINTERIA AVE PED PED			
	THE WHARF		08/28/2025	140.61	106451

452795	Invoice	WORK BOOTS R. AYERLE			
	TRANSAMERICA EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		08/28/2025	667.97	106452
2505806596	Invoice	AUG25 EMPLOYEE PREMIUMS			
	TVSB		08/28/2025	2,340.00	106453
NS2364-7	Invoice	CITY 60TH ANNIVERSARY VIDEO PRODUCTION			
	VENTURA RENTALS INC		08/28/2025	2,998.47	106454
211360	Invoice	STATE OF THE CITY EQUIP, FURNATURE RENTAL			
	WESTERN EXTERMINATOR COMPANY		08/28/2025	91.90	106455
81332492	Invoice	AUG25 PEST CONTROL AT VETS HALL 8/4/25			
	WEX BANK (CHEVRON)		08/28/2025	1,618.85	106456
106774416	Invoice	AUG25 FUEL FOR CITY VEHICLES			
	WILLDAN FINANCIAL SERVICES		08/28/2025	9,500.00	106457
010-63184R	Invoice	FY24/25 BERM FORMATION ASSESSMENT			
010-63185R	Invoice	FY24/25 LANDSCAPE FORMATION ASSESSMENT			
	CARPINTERIA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT		08/27/2025	27,068.09	106458
CARP CITY JUL25 SERVIC	Invoice	JUL25 WATER FOR MULTIPLE LOCATIONS			
	CalPERS		08/21/2025	157.77	DFT0003517
8/2/25-8/15/25 PEPRA R	Invoice	PEPRA RETRO CONTRIBUTIONS 8/2/25-8/15/25			
	CalPERS		08/21/2025	16,334.81	DFT0003518
8/2/25-8/15/25 PEPRA	Invoice	PEPRA CONTRIBUTIONS 8/2/25-8/15/25			
	CalPERS		08/21/2025	13,162.35	DFT0003519
8/2/25-8/15/25 CLASSIC	Invoice	CLASSIC CONTRIBUTIONS 8/2/25-8/15/25			
	EDD-SIT		08/21/2025	8,031.71	DFT0003520
PR17 8/21/25	Invoice	PR17 8/21/25 EDD PIT TAX DEPOSIT			
	EDD-SDI		08/21/2025	2,583.15	DFT0003521
PR17 8/21/25	Invoice	PR17 8/21/25 EDD SDI TAX DEPOSIT			
	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE		08/21/2025	25,428.87	DFT0003522
PR17 8/21/25	Invoice	PR17 8/21/25 FEDERAL TAX DEPOSIT			

Agenda Section: Administrative Matters
Agenda Item No.: 7
Council Meeting Date: September 8, 2025

City of Carpinteria

COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT

ITEM FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Third Amendment to the Cooperative Agreement with the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments for Carpinteria Circulation Improvements Funds.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the Mayor to sign the Third Amendment to the Cooperative Agreement with the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments for Carpinteria Circulation Improvements Funds, providing $409,589 in additional funding for a total of $1,202,045, and extending the performance period through June 2026.

Sample Motion: I move to authorize the Mayor to sign the Third Amendment to the Cooperative Agreement with the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments for Carpinteria Circulation Improvements Funds, providing $409,589 in additional funding for a total of $1,202,045, and extending the performance period through June 2026.

(This motion requires a roll call vote.)

BACKGROUND

In November 2008, Santa Barbara County voters approved Measure A, which extended for 30 years the one-half percent sales tax dedicated to transportation improvements. Measure A is administered by the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) and is guided by a strategic spending plan that funds both regional projects and local programs. The plan provides financial support for street maintenance, transportation safety improvements, pedestrian and bicycle mobility, safe routes to school, and public transit enhancements.

The City of Carpinteria currently receives approximately $1,000,000 annually in population-based formula funding under Measure A, which supports the City's Street Maintenance Program alongside revenues from the Gas Tax, the Lighting, Landscaping and Right-of-Way Improvement District No. 3, Measure X, and grants. Beyond the annual allocation, the City is also eligible to receive up to $1.202 million in one-time, dedicated Circulation Improvement funds under the Measure A Investment Plan. These funds must

be used for transportation safety or operational improvements and require the execution of a Cooperative Agreement between SBCAG and the City before they may be expended.

In January 2020, the City's Public Facility Site Acquisition/Development Committee reviewed potential projects drawn from the City's Capital Improvement Program, improvements associated with the Highway 101 project, and other projects eligible for Measure A funding. Following review, the Committee recommended the Linden Avenue Improvements Project for funding consideration. The project was subsequently advanced through SBCAG, with the South Coast Subregional Planning Committee recommending approval of $326,430 on May 13, 2020, and the SBCAG Board approving the Cooperative Agreement on May 21, 2020. The City Council then authorized the Mayor to sign the agreement (Attachment A) on May 26, 2020.

Since that time, the Cooperative Agreement has been amended twice. In November 2023, the Council approved the First Amendment (Attachment B), which extended the performance period. In April 2024, the Council approved the Second Amendment (Attachment C), which allocated an additional $466,026 in Circulation Improvement funds, bringing the total to $792,456, and further extended the performance period through December 2025.

The purpose of the current agenda item is to authorize the Mayor to sign the Third Amendment (Attachment D) to the Cooperative Agreement, which provides $409,589 in additional Measure A funding and extends the reimbursement deadline to ensure adequate time for completion of the Linden Avenue Improvements Project.

DISCUSSION

The Linden Avenue Improvements Project is located between Carpinteria Avenue and the Linden Avenue Overcrossing. The project includes construction of new sidewalks, curbs, gutters, parkways, street trees, driveway approaches, and bike lanes (See Attachment E for an illustration of project improvements). These improvements are intended to enhance pedestrian and bicycle safety, improve overall circulation efficiency, and upgrade the appearance of a section of Linden Avenue that serves as a gateway to the Downtown "T" commercial district.

The Cooperative Agreement establishes the project scope, funding plan, and the respective roles of the City and SBCAG. The project is included in the Measure A Five-Year Local Program of Projects with funding programmed in Fiscal Year 2025–26, as adopted by City Council on February 10, 2025, by Resolution No. 6366. The proposed Third Amendment, which was approved by the SBCAG Board on August 21, 2025, allocates an additional $409,589 in Carpinteria Circulation Improvement Funds, increasing the total project funding to $1,202,045, and extends the performance period through June 2026. Should the Third Amendment be approved by City Council, the project, which is estimated at a total cost of $1,180,269, would be fully funded.

The project has experienced delays since its inception. From 2020 to 2021, work was postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and additional delays followed as a result of design modifications and initial bids that exceeded available funding. These issues have since been resolved, and on July 14, 2025, City Council awarded the construction contract to Toro Enterprises, Inc. in the base amount of $908,610. The construction phase of the project is approved and budgeted in the Fiscal Year 2025–26 for $1,025,371 (includes base construction contract, contingency, and engineering support services). Construction is scheduled to begin in September 2025, following issuance of the Notice to Proceed, and is anticipated to be completed in November 2025 within the 45 working day contract period.

Although the City will initially pay for project costs, SBCAG will reimburse the City up to the approved amount of $1,202,045 under the terms of the Cooperative Agreement. As of September 8, 2025, the City has utilized $130,545 of the Carpinteria Circulation Improvement funds for project design, leaving an available balance of $1,071,500 for construction, which is estimated at $1,025,371.

POLICY CONSISTENCY

The recommendation may be found consistent with the following objective of the General Plan and Local Coastal Plan:

Circulation Element

Objective C-7: Build demand for alternative transportation use by increasing ease, effectiveness, and social acceptability, and through foresighted planning.

The recommendation is also consistent with the SBCAG Regional Active Transportation Plan.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

None

LEGAL AND RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

The recommendation is in accordance with the Cooperative Agreement. The recommendation is also in accordance with the requirements of the Measure A Investment Plan.

OPTIONS

1. Authorize the Mayor to sign the Third Amendment to the Cooperative Agreement with the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments for Carpinteria Circulation Improvements Funds.

2. The City Council could choose not to approve the recommendation and direct staff as appropriate. Not approving the amended Agreement would delay the Linden Avenue Improvements Project and/or jeopardize its completion.

PRINCIPAL PARTIES EXPECTED AT MEETING

There are no principal parties expected at the meeting.

ATTACHMENTS

A: Cooperative Agreement
B: First Amendment to Cooperative Agreement
C: Second Amendment to Cooperative Agreement
D: Third Amendment to Cooperative Agreement
E. Linden Avenue Improvements Project Illustration

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Signature

ATTACHMENT A

Cooperative Agreement

MEASURE A
PROJECT COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT
For the Carpinteria Circulation Improvements: Linden Avenue Improvements project

This Cooperative Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into by and between the CITY OF CARPINTERIA ("Sponsor") and the SANTA BARBARA COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS, acting as the Santa Barbara County Local Transportation Authority ("Authority" or "SBCAG").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Authority and Sponsor desire to enter into a Cooperative Agreement to coordinate the funding of transportation improvements in Santa Barbara County pursuant to the authority provided by the Road Repair, Traffic Relief and Transportation Safety Measure ("Measure A"), which was approved by the voters of Santa Barbara County on November 4, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Sponsor has proposed that the Authority provide funding to Sponsor's projects for the particular transportation improvement project work specified herein ("Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Authority has determined that the Project is eligible as the Carpinteria Circulation Improvements in the Measure A Investment Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is authorized to issue Measure A funds to Sponsor for eligible projects; and

WHEREAS, any cost savings will be retained by the Authority and may be re-programmed to other phases of the Carpinteria Circulation Improvements project; and

WHEREAS, the Authority and Sponsor desire to have this Agreement serve as the Agreement for the Authority to provide Measure A funding to Sponsor for eligible projects proposed by Sponsor, provided that such funding has been authorized by the Board of the Authority.

NOW, **THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual promises and undertakings herein made and the mutual benefits to be derived therefrom, the parties hereto represent, covenant, and agree as follows:

SECTION I
Covenants of Sponsor

The Sponsor shall:

1.1 Project Description. The Project description, scope of work, delivery schedule, estimate of cost by activity, anticipated amount and type of funds that will supplement Measure A funds, and the anticipated timing for release of Measure A funds are specified in Attachment A attached to this Agreement and incorporated herein by reference. Sponsor shall be solely responsible for implementing and carrying out the Project.

1.2 Change In Project Description. Any change in the Project Description shall not be eligible for funding by Authority unless approved in writing by the Authority. Any portion of the Project implemented by Sponsor prior to Authority's written approval shall not be eligible for reimbursement and in no event will any change in scope result in the Authority reimbursing more than the amount specified for the Project.

1.3 Eligible Reimbursement Costs. Eligible project costs are specified in Attachment A or as may be approved from time to time by the Authority pursuant to Section 1.2. In no event shall expenses incurred prior to the execution of this Agreement be considered eligible reimbursement costs.

1.4 Measure A Percentage Share Defined. Measure A funding is being provided by Authority to Sponsor in accordance with the Measure A Investment Plan Carpinteria Circulation Improvements for the Linden Avenue Improvements Project described in Attachment A. The percentage share of Measure A funding shall be the Measure A Percentage shown in Attachment A, and shall not exceed the total Measure A amount shown in the same attachment. Each invoice submitted by Sponsor shall be reimbursed by Authority at this percentage up to the not to exceed total Measure A amount shown in the attachment. Sponsor matching funds shall be used to pay for the remainder of Project costs.

1.5 Invoices and Progress Reports. Starting one month after the execution of this Agreement, Sponsor will submit monthly progress reports and invoices for activities conducted over the prior unbilled month. These documents shall include the following specified information:

1.5.a Invoices. The Sponsor shall provide the Authority with one (1) copy of all invoices submitted to Sponsor by every contractor, subcontractor, consultant, or subconsultant as appropriate and any other backup documentation required to support direct and indirect costs for which a Sponsor submits an invoice.

1.5.b Progress Reports. Progress reports shall include a brief description of the status of the Project including the work completed to date. This summary may be included on the invoices submitted to the Authority or be attached to those invoices.

1.6 Use of Funds. The Sponsor shall use existing Measure A funds consistent with the project description in Attachment A to this Agreement or as approved by the Authority pursuant to Section 1.2.

1.7 Submittal of Documents. The Sponsor shall provide copies to the Authority of all executed contracts that relate to the Project scope as described in Attachments to this Agreement and Section 1.3 or approved by the Authority pursuant to Section 1.2. The Sponsor shall retain records pertaining to the Project for a five (5) year period following completion of the Project.

1.8 Completion of Project. Sponsor shall be responsible for meeting the timely use of funds deadlines in Attachment A. Sponsor shall provide management of any consultant and contractor activities, including responsibility for schedule, timely use of

funds, budget and oversight of the services, consistent with the scope of work. This provision shall apply in all instances, including situations where a change in scope has been approved by the Authority pursuant to Section 1.2.

1.8.a Project Completion Report. Sponsor will, within 45 days of the Project becoming operable, provide a letter of Project completion which includes final cost, revenues, and schedule of completed and future activities for construction projects, pictures of the completed project must accompany the letter. Whenever possible, pictures of the "before" project conditions should also be submitted. This letter shall accompany the final invoice for payment from the Sponsor to provide notice of Agreement account closing by Authority.

1.9 Public Outreach. The Sponsor is responsible for development and administration of a public outreach effort to ensure public awareness and involvement in the Project development and delivery process. The Sponsor shall provide a copy of the public outreach plan and all materials documenting the public outreach activities, including public notices, press releases, flyers, etc. to the Authority. The public outreach plan must accompany the first invoice for payment from Sponsor. The materials documenting the public outreach activities must accompany the final invoice for payment from Sponsor.

1.10 Provision of Signs. Sponsor shall install signs consistent with the Authority's Project Signs Guidelines and Specifications as adopted by the SBCAG Board on August 18, 2011, or as appropriate.

1.11 Cost Savings and Excess Costs

1.11.a Cost Savings. After the Project has been accepted by the Sponsor and Authority as complete, any positive difference between the cost, as listed in Attachments to this Agreement or approved by the Authority pursuant to Section 1.2, and the total amount invoiced to the Authority shall revert to the Measure A program for re-programming by the Authority on other eligible projects.

1.11.b Excess Costs. In the event the actual Project cost exceeds the estimate shown in Attachments to this Agreement, this amount will be considered an excess cost. Sponsor is solely responsible for all costs over the amount identified in Section 1.3 and pursuant to Section 1.2.

1.11.c Reconciliation of Excess Costs. Excess project costs to complete a project are not eligible for reimbursement unless approved pursuant to Section 1.2. The amount of Measure A funds as identified in Section 1.3 are the maximum funds available for reimbursement to the Sponsor and cannot be increased unless agreed to by the Authority pursuant to Section 1.2. The Sponsor shall request an amendment if needed for this purpose in writing to the Authority. Such amended Agreement shall be effective only if signed and approved by the duly authorized representatives of both the Authority and Sponsor.

1.12 Errors and Omissions. The Sponsor shall diligently monitor and manage all aspects of the Project and shall aggressively pursue any and all remedies, including full restitution and damages from any consultant, contractor or sub-contractor and their insureds and sureties suspected of any acts, errors, or omissions committed during business activities that economically or legally damage the project.

1.13 Division of Labor and Materials. Sponsor agrees to furnish or cause to be furnished all labor, materials, equipment, required licenses, permits, fees, and other appropriate legal authorization from all applicable federal, state, and local jurisdictions necessary to perform and complete, per schedule, in a professional manner, the obligations described herein.

1.14 Implementation of Project. Sponsor may implement projects herein through private organizations and nonprofit entities as designated on the Attachment.

SECTION II
Covenants of Authority

The Authority shall:

2.1 Reimbursement Payments. The Authority shall make reimbursement payments to the Sponsor or implementing party designated pursuant to Paragraph 1.14 for eligible project costs within 45 days of receipt of an invoice as specified in the Attachments to this Agreement, except where payment is subject to provisions of Paragraphs 2.1.a through 2.1.b.4.

2.1.a Ineligible Costs. The Authority reserves the right to adjust current or future reimbursement payments to Sponsor if an invoice includes ineligible costs.

2.1.b Suspension of Reimbursement. If the Authority determines that any costs in an invoice are not allowable, or lack supporting progress reports, the Authority shall return the invoice to the Sponsor with an invoice dispute notice outlining the reason for the return and the proposed remedy, if one exists, which would make the invoice acceptable for payment. The Sponsor may re-submit the invoice for payment after reviewing the invoice dispute notice and making any necessary corrections. The Sponsor may also immediately submit a new invoice representing only the amounts which are not in dispute, while setting aside the disputed amounts for review in accordance with the provisions set forth in this Section 2.1.

2.1.b.1 Meeting. Once a dispute has occurred, the Authority shall arrange a meeting between Authority and Sponsor staff to discuss and attempt to resolve the dispute.

2.1.b.2 Subregional Committee. If an agreement cannot be reached at the meeting, then the Sponsor or the Authority shall have the option to take the dispute to the Authority's North County Subregional Committee, as appropriate. In this case reimbursement for the

disputed cost item(s) will be delayed until a resolution of the matter is reached.

2.1.b.3 Authority's Board Decision. If the Sponsor or the Authority disagrees with the resolution by the Subregional Committee then the dispute shall be submitted to the Authority's Board for resolution. If the Board determines that the disputed cost item(s) is ineligible, the Authority shall not provide reimbursement payment to the Sponsor for the disputed item(s). If the Board determines that the disputed cost item(s) is eligible, then the Authority shall provide reimbursement payment to the Sponsor for the disputed cost.

2.1.b.4 Reservation of Rights. By utilizing the above procedures, the Sponsor does not surrender any rights to pursue available legal remedies if the Sponsor disagrees with the Board decision.

2.2 Authority's Payment shall not constitute Waiver. Authority's failure to discover or object to any ineligible project cost or billing prior to payment shall not constitute a waiver of Authority's right to require Sponsor to correct such work or billing or seek any other legal remedy.

2.3 Right to Conduct Audit; Record Keeping. The Authority shall have the right to conduct an audit of all Sponsors' records pertaining to the Agreement at any time during the course of construction and up to a five (5) year period after completion of the Agreement.

2.4 Records. Sponsor shall keep and provide to Authority or its agents, upon request, accurate financial records (including invoices and published price lists on which this Agreement was based) necessary to enable Authority to review Sponsor's performance of this Agreement. These records shall demonstrate the funding has been used as described in the Project Description. Sponsor shall maintain all such records for at least five years after completion of the project.

SECTION III
General Covenants

3.1 Term. Sponsor shall commence performance on April 16, 2020 and end performance upon completion, but no later than August 31, 2023 unless otherwise directed by SBCAG or unless earlier terminated. The Sponsor shall commence performance in accordance with the delivery schedule set forth in Attachment A. The Agreement shall remain in effect until discharged or terminated as provided in Section 3.2 or Section 3.14, unless otherwise directed by SBCAG or unless earlier terminated.

3.2 Discharge. This Agreement shall be subject to discharge as follows:

3.2.a Termination by Mutual Consent. This Agreement may be terminated at any time by mutual consent of the parties.

3.2.b Discharge Upon Completion of Projects. Except as to any rights or obligations which survive discharge as specified in Section 3.13, this Agreement shall be discharged, and the parties shall have no further obligation to each other, upon completion of the Projects as certified by the Authority.

3.3 Indemnity. Sponsor agrees to indemnify, defend (with counsel reasonably approved by SBCAG) and hold harmless SBCAG and its officers, officials, employees, agents and volunteers from and against any and all claims, actions, losses, damages, judgments and/or liabilities arising out of this Agreement from any cause whatsoever, including the acts, errors or omissions of any person or entity and for any costs or expenses (including but not limited to attorneys' fees) incurred by SBCAG on account of any claim except where such indemnification is prohibited by law. Sponsor's indemnification obligation applies to SBCAG's active as well as passive negligence but does not apply to SBCAG's sole negligence or willful misconduct.

3.4 Notices. Any notice which may be required under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be given by personal service, or by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, to the addresses set forth below:

AUTHORITY	SPONSOR
Santa Barbara County Association of Governments 260 North San Antonio Road, Suite B Santa Barbara, CA 93110	City of Carpinteria 5775 Carpinteria Avenue Carpinteria, CA 93013

Either party may change its address by giving notice of such change to the other party in the manner provided in this Section 3.5. All Other Notices and consents under this section, which are sent by mail, shall be deemed to be received five (5) days following their deposit in the U.S. mail. This Notices section shall not be construed as meaning that either party agrees to service of process except as required by applicable law.

3.5 Additional Acts and Documents. Each party agrees to do all such things and take all such actions, and to make, execute and deliver such other documents and instruments, as shall be reasonably requested to carry out the provisions, intent and purpose of the Agreement.

3.6 Integration. This Agreement represents the entire Agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. No representations, warranties, inducements or oral agreements have been made by any of the parties except as expressly set forth herein, or in other contemporaneous written agreements.

3.7 Amendment. In conjunction with the matters considered herein, this Agreement contains the entire understanding and agreement of the parties and there have been no promises, representations, agreements, warranties or undertakings by any of the parties, either oral or written, of any character or nature hereafter binding except as set forth herein. This Agreement may be altered, amended or modified only by an instrument in writing, executed by the parties to this Agreement and by no other means. Each party waives their future right to claim, contest or assert that this

Agreement was modified, canceled, superseded, or changed by any oral agreements, course of conduct, waiver or estoppel.

3.8 Non-Partnership. This Agreement is not intended by the parties to constitute or create a joint venture, pooling arrangement, or formal business organization of any kind. The rights and obligations of the parties shall be only those expressly set forth herein. Sponsor and Sponsor's subcontractors shall perform all services under this Agreement as independent parties and not as employees, officers or agents of the Authority.

3.9 Assignment. The Agreement may not be assigned, transferred, hypothecated, or pledged by any party without the express written consent of the other party.

3.10 Binding on Successors. This Agreement shall be binding upon the successor(s), assignee(s) or transferee(s) of the Authority or as the case may be. This provision shall not be construed as an authorization to assign, transfer, hypothecate or pledge this Agreement other than as provided above.

3.11 Severability. Should any part of this Agreement be determined to be unenforceable, invalid, or beyond the authority of either party to enter into or carry out, such determination shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Agreement which shall continue in full force and effect; provided that, the remainder of this Agreement can, absent the excised portion, be reasonably interpreted to give effect to the intentions of the parties.

3.12 Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts and shall become effective when one or more counterparts have been signed by all of the parties; each counterpart shall be deemed an original but all counterparts shall constitute a single document.

3.13 Survival. The following provisions in this Agreement shall survive discharge:

3.13.a The Sponsor. As to the Sponsor, the following sections shall survive discharge: Section 1.6 (obligation to apply funds to the Project), Section 1.7 (obligation to provide copies and retain records), Section 1.8 (obligation to continue to manage the Project).

3.13.b The Authority. As to the Authority, the following section shall survive discharge: Section 2.3 (right to conduct audit).

3.13.c Both Parties. As to both parties, the following section shall survive discharge: Section 3.3. (mutual indemnities).

3.14 Limitation. All obligations of the Authority under the terms of this Agreement are expressly contingent upon the Authority's continued authorization to collect and expend the sales tax proceeds provided by Measure A. If for any reason the Authority's right or ability to collect or expend such sales tax proceeds is terminated or suspended in whole or part so that it materially affects the Authority's ability to fund the Project, the Authority shall promptly notify Sponsor, and the parties shall consult on a course of action. If, after twenty-five (25) working days, a course of action is not

agreed upon by the parties, this Agreement shall be deemed terminated. Maintenance of records, right to audit, and indemnification shall survive. Any future obligation to fund this project or any other project or projects of Sponsor, not already specifically covered by separate Agreement, shall arise only upon execution of a new Agreement.

3.15 Time. Time is and shall be of the essence of this Agreement and each and all of its provisions in which performance is a factor.

3.16 Remedies Cumulative. No remedy or election of remedies provided for in this Agreement shall be deemed exclusive, but shall be cumulative with all other remedies at law or in equity. Each remedy shall be construed to give the fullest effect allowed by law.

3.17 Applicable Law. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of California. As applicable, the Cycle 2 Guidelines are incorporated herein by reference.

3.18 Captions. The captions in this Agreement are for convenience only and are not a part of this Agreement. The captions do not in any way limit or amplify the provisions of this Agreement and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of any of its provisions.

3.19 No Continuing Waiver. The waiver by any party of any breach of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall not constitute a continuing waiver or a waiver of any subsequent breach of the same, or of any other provision of this Agreement.

3.20 No Rights in Third Parties. Nothing in this Agreement, express or implied, is intended to confer any rights or remedies under or by reason of this Agreement on any third party, nor is anything in this Agreement intended to relieve or discharge the obligation or liability of any third party to any party to this Agreement, nor shall any provision of this Agreement give any third party any right of subrogation or action over or against any party to this Agreement.

3.21 Signator's Warranty. Each party warrants to each other that he or she is fully authorized and competent to enter into this Agreement in the capacity indicated by his or her signature and agrees to be bound by this Agreement as of the day and year first mentioned above upon the execution of this Agreement by each other party.

(Signatures on following page.)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned parties have executed this Agreement on the day and year first written below.

CITY OF CARPINTERIA

By: _____
Wade Nomura, Mayor

Date: 5/27/20

ATTEST:

By: _____
Fidela Garcia,
City Clerk

SBCAG, acting as the SANTA BARBARA COUNTY LOCAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY:

By: _____
Gregg Hart, Chair

Date: 5.21.20

ATTEST:

By: _____
Marjie Kirn, Executive Director

APPROVED AS TO ADMINISTRATION:

By: _____
David Durflinger, City Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Michael C. Ghizzoni
County Counsel

By: _____
Deputy County Counsel

Attachments:

Attachment A – Project Scope, Cost, Schedule and Funding Plan for Linden Avenue Improvements Project

RECEIVED
MAY 26 2020
CITY OF CARPINTERIA

ATTACHMENT A

PROJECT SCOPE, COST, SCHEDULE AND FUNDING PLAN

Project Name: Carpinteria Circulation Improvements, Linden Avenue Improvements project

Project Contact: John Ilasin

PROJECT SCOPE

Responsible Agency: City of Carpinteria

Project Limits: The project location is on Linden Avenue within City boundaries, and the limits are between Carpinteria Avenue and Linden Avenue Overcrossing.

Project Scope: Construction of a 5' wide sidewalk, an 8' wide landscaped parkway, curb and gutter on the east side of Linden Avenue, with 6' wide bike lanes on both sides, and 13' travel lanes from Highway 101 to Carpinteria Avenue.

Project Purpose: The purpose and need for the project are to provide for Class II Bikeways (Bike Lanes) in conformance with the Bikeways Plan of the Circulation Element of the City General Plan and Local Coastal Plan and the SBCAG Regional Active Transportation Plan; and sidewalk widening including upgrades to curb ramps in conformance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

PROJECT COST

Project Work Description	Cost
Engineering and construction work as described in project scope.	$326,430

PROJECT SCHEDULE

Project Phase	Start	End	Timely Use of Funds Deadline (if applicable)
Design	May 2020	October 2020	
Construction	March 2021	August 31, 2023	

PROJECT FUNDING PLAN

Fund Source and Percentage	Fund Amount
Measure A Investment Plan Circulation Improvements Project – 100%	$326,430
Total	**$326,430**

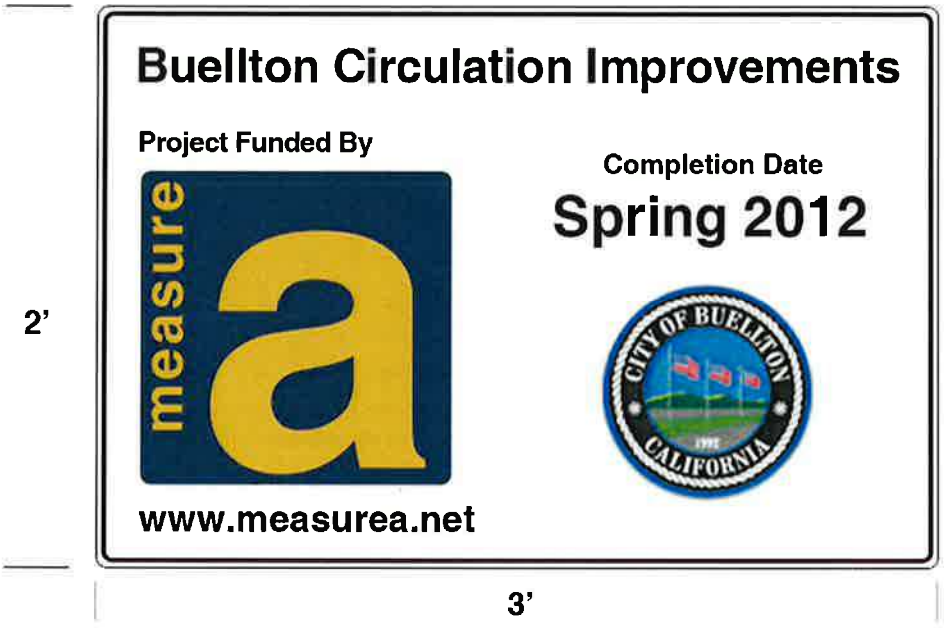
Notes: -No supplemental funds are required.
-The release of Measure A will be upon presentation of an invoice.

ATTACHMENT B

MEASURE A PROJECT SIGN

The City of Carpinteria shall install two (2) Measure A project signs per measurements below that include the project title, Measure A logo, project completion date, project sponsor logo and Measure A website address. Please see the example below per Measure A Sign Guidelines adopted August 18, 2011.

The signs will be installed within ¼ mile of the ends of the project. The sign will be posted prior to the construction of the project, during the construction of the project and 1 month after the completion of construction.



ATTACHMENT B

First Amendment to Cooperative Agreement

2023-043

FIRST AMENDMENT TO
MEASURE A
PROJECT COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT
For the Carpinteria Circulation Improvements: Linden Avenue Improvements project

This First Amendment to the Cooperative Agreement ("First Amendment") is entered into by and between the CITY OF CARPINTERIA, a municipal corporation ("Sponsor") and the SANTA BARBARA COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS, a State local government, acting as the Santa Barbara County Local Transportation Authority ("Authority").

WHEREAS, on May 21, 2020, Authority and Sponsor entered into a Cooperative Agreement ("Agreement") to coordinate the funding of transportation improvements in Santa Barbara County pursuant to the authority provided by the Road Repair, Traffic Relief and Transportation Safety Measure ("Measure A"), which was approved by the voters of Santa Barbara County on November 4, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Sponsor is requesting an amendment to extend the period of performance for the Linden Avenue Improvements project; and

WHEREAS, the per Agreement section 3.7 the parties may amend the Agreement through an instrument in writing, executed by the parties; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is authorized to issue Measure A funds to Sponsor for eligible projects; and

WHEREAS, any cost savings will be retained by the Authority and may be re-programmed to other phases of the Carpinteria Circulation Improvements project; and

WHEREAS, the Authority and Sponsor desire to have the Agreement and this First Amendment serve as the instrument for the Authority to provide Measure A funding to Sponsor for eligible projects proposed by Sponsor, provided that such funding has been authorized by the Board of the Authority.

NOW, **THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual promises and undertakings herein made and the mutual benefits to be derived therefrom, the parties hereto represent, covenant, and agree as follows:

1. **Agreement Section 3.1 "Term" is deleted and replaced in its entirety with:**

   Term. Sponsor shall commence performance on April 16, 2020 and end performance upon completion, but no later than August 31, 2024 unless otherwise directed by SBCAG or unless earlier terminated. The Sponsor shall commence performance in accordance with the delivery schedule set forth in Attachment A. The Agreement shall remain in effect until discharged or terminated as provided in Section 3.2 or Section 3.14, unless otherwise directed by SBCAG or unless earlier terminated.

2. Attachment A is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference and amended as follows:

   Project Schedule End date: ~~August 2023~~ August 2024

3. **Ratifications.** The terms and provisions set forth in this First Amendment shall modify and supersede all inconsistent terms and provisions set forth in the Cooperative Agreement. The terms and provisions of the Cooperative Agreement, except as expressly modified and superseded by this First Amendment, are ratified and confirmed and shall continue in full force and effect, and shall continue to be legal, valid, binding, and enforceable obligations of the Parties.

4. **Counterparts.** This First Amendment may be executed in several counterparts, all of which taken together shall constitute a single agreement between the Parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned parties have executed this First Amendment on the day and year first written below.

CITY OF CARPINTERIA

By: _____
Al Clark, Mayor

Date: 11/13/23

ATTEST:

By: _____
Brian C. Barrett,
City Clerk

SBCAG, acting as the SANTA BARBARA COUNTY LOCAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY:

By: _____
Jenelle Osborne, Chair

Date: 11.17.23

ATTEST:

By: _____
Marjie Kirn, Executive Director

APPROVED AS TO ADMINISTRATION:

By: _____
David Durflinger, City Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Rachel Van Mullem
County Counsel

By: _____
Senior Deputy County Counsel

Attachment A: Project Scope, Cost, Schedule and Funding Plan for Linden Avenue Improvements Project.

ATTACHMENT C

Second Amendment to Cooperative Agreement

2024-009

SECOND AMENDMENT TO
MEASURE A
PROJECT COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT
For the Carpinteria Circulation Improvements: Linden Avenue Improvements Project

This Second Amendment to the Cooperative Agreement ("Second Amendment") is entered into by and between the CITY OF CARPINTERIA, a municipal corporation ("Sponsor") and the SANTA BARBARA COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS, a State local government, acting as the Santa Barbara County Local Transportation Authority ("Authority").

WHEREAS, on May 21, 2020, Authority and Sponsor entered into a Cooperative Agreement ("Agreement") to coordinate the funding of transportation improvements in Santa Barbara County pursuant to the authority provided by the Road Repair, Traffic Relief and Transportation Safety Measure ("Measure A"), which was approved by the voters of Santa Barbara County on November 4, 2008; and

WHEREAS, on August 17, 2023, the Parties agreed to a First Amendment to the Cooperative Agreement to extend the Timely Use of Funds deadline for the Linden Avenue Improvements project; and

WHEREAS, Sponsor is requesting an amendment to add Measure A funding and extend the Timely Use of Funds deadline to the Linden Avenue Improvements project; and

WHEREAS, the per Agreement section 3.7 the parties may amend the Agreement through an instrument in writing, executed by the parties; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is authorized to issue Measure A funds to Sponsor for eligible projects; and

WHEREAS, any cost savings will be retained by the Authority and may be re-programmed to other phases of the Carpinteria Circulation Improvements project; and

WHEREAS, the Authority and Sponsor desire to have the Agreement and this First Amendment serve as the instrument for the Authority to provide Measure A funding to Sponsor for eligible projects proposed by Sponsor, provided that such funding has been authorized by the Board of the Authority.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and undertakings herein made and the mutual benefits to be derived therefrom, the parties hereto represent, covenant, and agree as follows:

1. **Agreement Section 3.1 "Term" is deleted and replaced in its entirety with:**

Term. Sponsor shall commence performance on April 16, 2020 and end performance upon completion, but no later than December 31, 2025 unless otherwise directed by SBCAG or unless earlier terminated. The Sponsor shall commence performance in accordance with the delivery schedule set forth in Attachment A. The Agreement shall remain in effect until

delivery schedule set forth in Attachment A. The Agreement shall remain in effect until discharged or terminated as provided in Section 3.2 or Section 3.14, unless otherwise directed by SBCAG or unless earlier terminated.

2. Attachment A is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference and amended as follows:

Fund Source and Percentage	Fund Amount
Measure A Investment Plan Circulation Improvements Project – 100%	$792,456 ~~$326,430~~

3. **Ratifications.** The terms and provisions set forth in this Second Amendment shall modify and supersede all inconsistent terms and provisions set forth in the Cooperative Agreement, and First Amendment. The terms and provisions of the Cooperative Agreement and First Amendment, except as expressly modified and superseded by this Second Amendment, are ratified and confirmed and shall continue in full force and effect, and shall continue to be legal, valid, binding, and enforceable obligations of the Parties.

4. **Counterparts.** This Second Amendment may be executed in several counterparts, all of which taken together shall constitute a single agreement between the Parties.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned parties have executed this Second Amendment on the day and year first written below.

CITY OF CARPINTERIA

By: _____
Al Clark, Mayor

Date: April 8, 2024

ATTEST:

By: _____
Brian C. Barrett, City Clerk

SBCAG, acting as the SANTA BARBARA COUNTY LOCAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY:

By: _____
Steve Lavagnino, Chair

Date: _____

ATTEST:

By: _____
Marjie Kirn, Executive Director

APPROVED AS TO ADMINISTRATION:

By: _____
Michael Ramirez, City Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Rachel Van Mullem
County Counsel

By: _____
Senior Deputy County Counsel

CITY OF CARPINTERIA INCORPORATED SEPT. 28, 1965 CARPINTERIA CALIF.

Attachment A: Project Scope, Cost, Schedule and Funding Plan for Linden Avenue Improvements Project.

ATTACHMENT A

PROJECT SCOPE, COST, SCHEDULE AND FUNDING PLAN

Project Name: Carpinteria Circulation Improvements, Linden Avenue Improvements Project

Project Contact: John Ilasin

PROJECT SCOPE

Responsible Agency: City of Carpinteria

Project Limits: The project location is on Linden Avenue within City boundaries, and the limits are between Carpinteria Avenue and Linden Avenue Overcrossing.

Project Scope: Construction of a 5' wide sidewalk, an 8' wide landscaped parkway, curb and gutter on the east side of Linden Avenue, with 6' wide bike lanes on both sides, and 13' travel lanes from Highway 101 to Carpinteria Avenue.

Project Purpose: The purpose and need for the project are to provide for Class II Bikeways (Bike Lanes) in conformance with the Bikeways Plan of the Circulation Element of the City General Plan and Local Coastal Plan and the SBCAG Regional Active Transportation Plan; and sidewalk widening including upgrades to curb ramps in conformance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

PROJECT COST

Project Work Description	Cost
Engineering and construction work as described in project scope.	$792,456 ~~$326,430~~

PROJECT SCHEDULE

Project Phase	Start	End	Timely Use of Funds Deadline (if applicable)
Design	May 2020	October 2020	
Construction	December 2024 ~~March 2021~~	December 2025 ~~August 2024~~	

PROJECT FUNDING PLAN

Fund Source and Percentage	Fund Amount
Measure A Investment Plan Circulation Improvements Project – 100%	~~$326,430~~ $792,456
Total	~~**$326,430**~~ $792,456

Notes: -No supplemental funds are required.
-The release of Measure A will be upon presentation of an invoice.

ATTACHMENT D

Third Amendment to Cooperative Agreement

THIRD AMENDMENT TO
MEASURE A
PROJECT COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT
For the Carpinteria Circulation Improvements: Linden Avenue Improvements Project

This Third Amendment to the Cooperative Agreement ("Third Amendment") is entered into by and between the CITY OF CARPINTERIA, a municipal corporation ("Sponsor") and the SANTA BARBARA COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS, a State local government, acting as the Santa Barbara County Local Transportation Authority ("Authority").

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WHEREAS, the per Agreement section 3.7 the parties may amend the Agreement through an instrument in writing, executed by the parties; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is authorized to issue Measure A funds to Sponsor for eligible projects; and

WHEREAS, any cost savings will be retained by the Authority and may be re-programmed to other phases of the Carpinteria Circulation Improvements project; and

WHEREAS, the Authority and Sponsor desire to have the Agreement, First Amendment, Second Amendment, and this Third Amendment serve as the instrument for the Authority to provide Measure A funding to Sponsor for eligible projects proposed by Sponsor, provided that such funding has been authorized by the Board of the Authority.

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Fund Source and Percentage	Fund Amount
Measure A Investment Plan Circulation Improvements Project – 100%	~~$792,456~~ $1,202,045

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned parties have executed this Third Amendment on the day and year first written below.

CITY OF CARPINTERIA

By: _____
Natalia Alarcon, Mayor

Date: _____

ATTEST:

By: _____
Brian C. Barrett, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO ADMINISTRATION:

By: _____
Michael Ramirez, City Manager

SBCAG, acting as the SANTA BARBARA COUNTY LOCAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY:

By: _____
Randy Rowse, Chair

Date: _____

ATTEST:

By: _____
Marjie Kirn, Executive Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Rachel Van Mullem
County Counsel

By: _____
Senior Deputy County Counsel

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PROJECT COST

Project Work Description	Cost
Engineering and construction work as described in project scope.	~~$792,456~~ $1,202,045

PROJECT SCHEDULE

Project Phase	Start	End	Timely Use of Funds Deadline (if applicable)
Design	May 2020	October 2020	
Construction	December 2024	~~December 2025~~ June 2026	

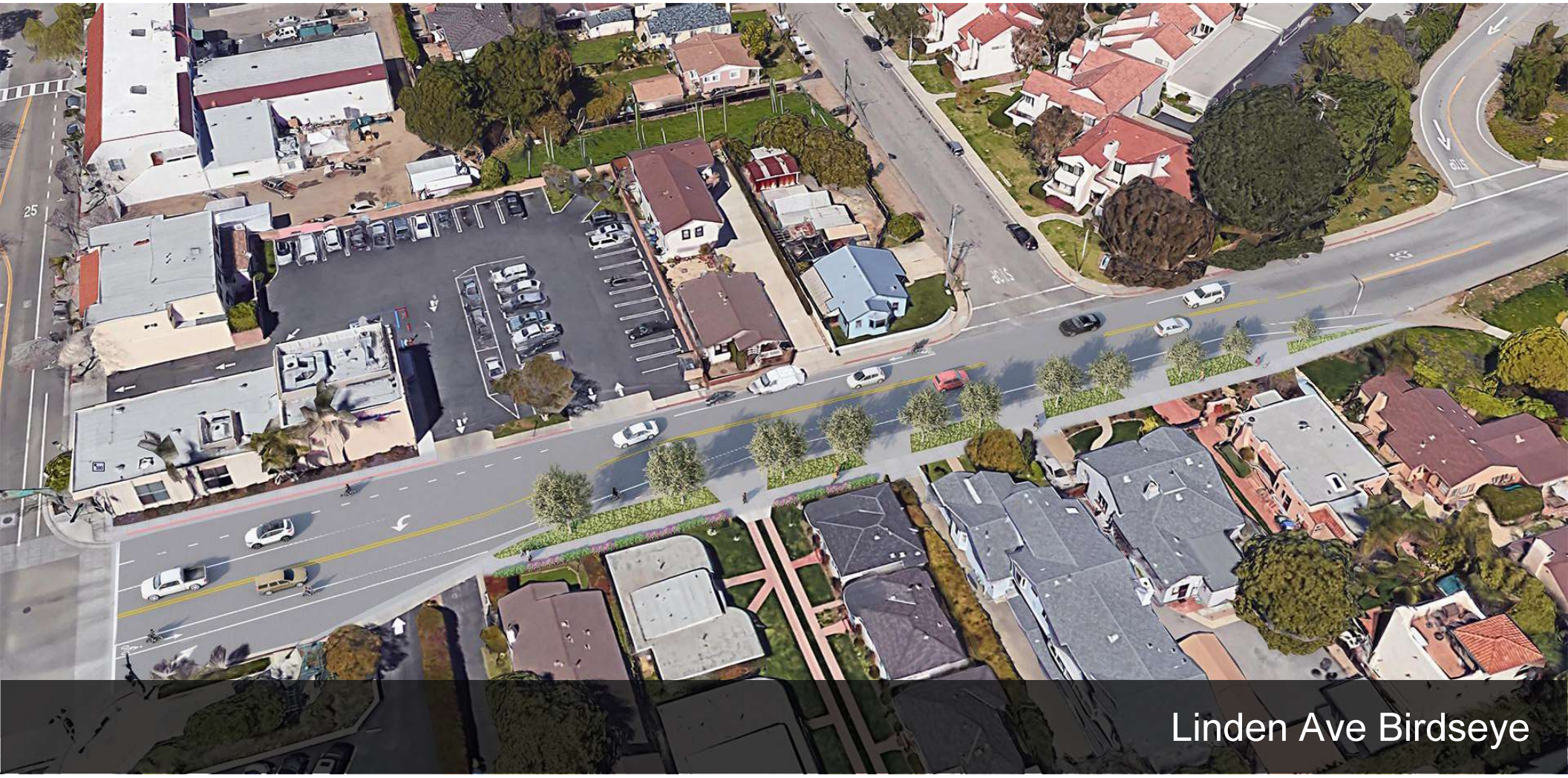
PROJECT FUNDING PLAN

Fund Source and Percentage	Fund Amount
Measure A Investment Plan Circulation Improvements Project – 100%	~~$792,456~~ $1,202,045
Total	**~~$792,456~~ $1,202,045**

Notes: -No supplemental funds are required.
-The release of Measure A will be upon presentation of an invoice.

ATTACHMENT E

Linden Avenue Improvements Project Illustration



Linden Ave Birdseye

Linden Ave / Looking north from east side

Linden Ave / Looking north from east side 2

Linden Ave / Looking north from west side

Linden Ave / Looking south

Agenda Section: Other Business
Agenda Item No.: 8
Council Meeting Date: September 8, 2025

City of Carpinteria

COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT

ITEM FOR COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Approval of the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Community Services Support Grant Program Funding Recommendations.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Approve the City Council Finance/Budget Committee's grant award recommendations for the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Community Services Support Grant Program.

Sample Motion: I move to approve the Finance/Budget Committee's grant award recommendations for the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Community Services Support Grant Program.

(This motion requires a roll call vote.)

BACKGROUND

Originally established by the City Council to fund youth services, the Community Services Support Grant (CSSG) program has since expanded its focus. Today, the program aims to support a broad spectrum of community needs including, but not limited to, senior services, social services, and most recently, support for local families affected by federal immigration enforcement.

On June 23, 2025, the City Council approved the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2027 Budget, which included an appropriation of $150,000 for the CSSG program.

The purpose of this agenda matter is for City Council to consider approving the Finance/Budget Committee's (Committee) grant award recommendations for the FY 26 Community Services Support Grants Program.

DISCUSSION

Following the budget approval on June 23, the grant application period was open from July 1 to July 31, 2025. The City received 18 applications from local nonprofit organizations with a total funding request amount of $321,676.

While the number of unique applicants for this fiscal year (FY 26) is equal to the number of unique applicants for the previous fiscal year (FY 25), the total amount requested increased by nearly $100,000 year-over-year.

In regard to program marketing, this year's number of unique applicants (18) is still up greatly from the 9 unique applicants who submitted requests for the initial round of funding in FY 24, when City Council directed staff to increase promotion for the program. Of note, three organizations who received funding last fiscal year did not apply this year: The Alcazar Theatre, Seniors Inc., and Listos.

Applications were reviewed by the Committee during public meetings held on August 21 and August 28. As the requested amount exceeded this year's program budget by more than $170,000, the Committee carefully considered several factors when determining their recommended funding amounts. Some factors considered included alignment with City Council goals and priorities, emergent needs, cost to program participants (if any), previous grant awards, and alternate program funding sources.

Recommended funding amounts are included with the report as Attachment A. Grant applications received are included as Attachment B.

The total recommended funding amount is $136,500. The Committee recommends reserving $13,500, of the budgeted $150,000, for emergent needs as they may arise.

POLICY CONSISTENCY

The Community Services Support Grant Program and funding recommendations are consistent with the City's FY 25-27 Strategic Plan. Specifically, City Council Primary Goal #3: Enhance Quality of Life for Residents, and the associated City Council Priority to Strengthen community institution collaboration.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

No Additional Funding Requested. There is sufficient budget in 104-163-5601 – Community Services Grants.

LEGAL AND RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

California Joint Powers Insurance Authority has provided guidance and oversight in development of the risk management requirements for this CSSG program.

OPTIONS

The City Council has the following options to consider:

1. Approve the recommendations as presented. (Staff recommendation)
    - This action would accept the funding allocations proposed by the Finance/Budget Committee and authorize staff to proceed with distributing the grant awards.

2. Approve the recommendations with modifications.
    - The Council may choose to amend the committee's recommendations by adjusting specific award amounts, funding an organization not recommended, or defunding a recommended organization.

3. Reject the recommendations and provide alternative direction.
    - The Council could reject the proposed allocations and direct the Finance/Budget Committee to reconsider the applications using a specified set of priorities. This action would delay the awarding of grants.

PRINCIPAL PARTIES EXPECTED AT MEETING

Grant applicant representatives.

ATTACHMENTS

A) Fiscal Year 2025-26 Funding Recommendation
B) Grant Applications

Staff contact: Ryan Benson, Management Analyst
(805) 755-4417; ryanb@carpinteriaca.gov

Signature

Reviewed by: Michael Ramirez, City Manager
(805) 755-4450, michaelr@carpinteriaca.gov

Signature

ATTACHMENT A

FY26 Funding Recommendations

Organization	FY 26 Amount Requested	FY 26 Recommended Funding Amount	Previous Year (FY25) Amount Requested, if any	Previous Year (FY25) Award Amount, if any
ARTESANIA PARA LA FAMILIA	$ 10,000.00	$ 6,700.00	$ 8,050.00	$ 5,000.00
CARP VALLEY CHURCH	$ 30,000.00	$ -	$ -	$ -
CARPINTERIA ARTS CENTER	$ 23,500.00	$ 10,000.00	$ 19,000.00	$ 7,500.00
CARPINTERIA CHILDREN'S PROJECT	$ 30,000.00	$ 25,000.00	$ 25,000.00	$ 25,000.00
CARPINTERIA SKATE FOUNDATION	$ 20,000.00	$ 2,500.00	$ -	$ -
FAMILY SERVICE AGENCY OF SANTA BARBARA COUNTY	$ 30,000.00	$ -	$ -	$ -
FB CHURCH	$ 23,120.00	$ -	$ -	$ -
GIRLS INC. OF CARPINTERIA	$ 30,000.00	$ 25,000.00	$ 30,000.00	$ 30,000.00
HELP OF CARPINTERIA	$ 15,000.00	$ 15,000.00	$ 14,000.00	$ 14,000.00
HOSPICE OF SB	$ 15,000.00	$ 15,000.00	$ 15,000.00	$ 12,500.00
MENTAL WELLNESS CENTER (HOPENET)	$ 3,553.00	$ 2,300.00	$ 2,028.87	$ 2,000.00
MURALISM	$ 14,880.00	$ -	$ 8,000.00	$ 6,000.00
REEL GUPPY OUTDOORS	$ 24,250.00	$ -	$ -	$ -
SANTA BARBARA TRAILS	$ 6,000.00	$ -	$ -	$ -
STESA	$ 10,000.00	$ 10,000.00	$ 10,000.00	$ 10,000.00
THERAPY DOGS SB	$ 5,000.00	$ -	$ -	$ -
TIDY SEAS	$ 30,000.00	$ -	$ -	$ -
UNITED BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS	$ 25,000.00	$ 25,000.00	$ 25,000.00	$ 25,000.00
TOTALS	**$ 345,303.00**	**$ 136,500.00**	**$ 156,078.87**	**$ 137,000.00**

ATTACHMENT B

Grant Applications

CITY OF CARPINTERIA
COMMUNITY SERVICES SUPPORT

Grant Application

July 2025 - June 2026

Applications due July 31st, 2025 before 12:00 PM (PST)

1. APPLICANT / ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Applicant name: Gaby Edwards

Phone number: [redacted] Email Address [redacted]

Name of 501(c)(3) organization: Friends of the Carpinteria Library-Artesania para la familia

Mailing address: 5141 Carpinteria Avenue

City: Carpinteria | State: CA | Zip Code 93013

Federal Tax Identification Number (Non-profit): [redacted]

Contact person/Title: Suzanne Requejo / Program Director-Artesania para la familia

Contact phone number (if different than above): [redacted]

Contact email (if different than above): [redacted]

2. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Annual organization budget for last year: $32,500. | ☐ Fiscal -or- Calendar ☑

*Amount of grant funds requested**: $10,000.00

*Must be a specific amount within $1,000 to $30,000

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CITY OF CARPINTERIA
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3. PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

Please address the following **3** sections of evaluation criteria:

I. Organizational Mission Statement & Alignment – (250 word maximum)

A. Provide your organizations mission statement (one or two sentences).
B. Share how your mission statement and proposed project/initiatives aligns with community priorities.

A. Artesania para la familia's mission has remained the same since its inception: (a) to encourage and increase family involvement with their child's academics through the arts, literacy, and cultural programming; (b) to promote families' exploration of the programs and benefits available at the public library; and (c) to build an awareness of the resources available in a diverse community.

B. The free programs are designed for immigrant families in the Carpinteria community. Arts and literacy programs are made accessible to the low-income community who are not able to pay for local arts programs, or simply do not have the transportation. We bring our programs to them. Most of the free year-round programs are held at property sites, in collaboration with property managers. The free arts, literacy and cultural programming are inclusive programs, engaging immigrant families into the community and making them more aware of resources available for them. Often our programs see three generations of our Spanish-speaking community actively engaged in the programs, including the 'abuelitos' who are often more eager to read and paint than the young ones. It's important to note, that Artesania arts and literacy programs accept and include special needs youth and adults.

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COMMUNITY SERVICES SUPPORT
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II. Community Impact – (250 word maximum)

A. Describe the impact your programs, activities, services, and/or initiatives will have on the community, including the segments of the community you reach, and the specific needs being met.

B. Describe your organization's past efforts and future plans to become more inclusive and expand your community impact.

A. Artesania para la Familia's programs have had a great impact on our low-income immigrant community. The majority of the Latino youth engaged in our programs have participated in local and county art contests; participated in mariachi performances, received monthly awards from their schools, had their artwork displayed at museums, furthered their education, and become Junior Carpinterians of the Year.
Parents have become more engaged in the community, volunteering for our programs, practicing their English, getting to know the library and the resources it provides. Artesania's free mariachi classes students are developing academic and leadership skills. Playing mariachi music, our students are enhacing their connection to cultural storytelling while improving their music, vocal and performance skills.

B. Past efforts have included collaborations with the Carpinteria Children's Project, The Alcazar Theatre, Carpinteria Girls Inc., the Boys & Girls Club, The Lynda Fairly Arts Center, the Carpinteria Unified School District, local businesses, and Viva el Arte de Santa Barbara. Past community cultural celebrations include: Dia de los Muertos, Lunar New Year, Old Town Carpinteria Fiesta, Hispanic Heritage Month, Children's Day and Native American Heritage Month. Our philosophy is to be inclusive. We are expanding low-income programming to other areas of our immigrant community. We intend to develop content to include art and literacy projects that help shape personal welll-being and strengthen the ability to deal with today's challenges.

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III. Organizational Information– (250 word maximum)

A. Describe your administrative and governance structure, including numbers of staff and volunteers.

B. Briefly describe your operating budget's current status, future outlook, and long-term financial viability, including earned income and private/government support.

A. The adminstrative and governance structure would be the following: Gaby Edwards-Chairperson, Jean Bailard-Vice Chairperson, Nancy Hill-Treasurer. Other board members: Fred Shaw, Lea Boyd, Ann Matson, Amanda McIntyre, Jill Bailard, Cindy Carrillo, Jeff Chancer, Ashley Devan, Leslye MIller, Julie Soto, and Wendy Yanagihara. Suzanne Requejo, Program Director-Artesania para la familia with steering committee members: Julie Soto, Cindy Carrillo, Sonia Aguila-Gonzales, and Wendy Yanagihara.

B. The operating budget is in two categories: the overall arts and literacy programming (which includes the 4 big community events) and the mariachi music education program. The current status of our operating budget is in good standing. Artesania para la Familia operates under the Friends of the Carpinteria Library 501(c)(3), though most of Artesania's funds are provided by private foundations, civic organizations and we were fortunate to receive a City of Carpinteria Community grant last year.

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IV. Scope of Work

A. Detail how your organization plans to use the CSSG funds requested throughout the fiscal year. **Note:** Each proposed cost/expenditure requires a description.

A. The CSSG funds requested will help to fund the following programs throughout the fiscal year:

ARTS & LITERACY PROGRAMS: $7,800

Year-round arts and literacy programming with Casitas Village Properties which include:

book give-aways, art supplies, children's authors, snacks, featured artists, arts & crafts workshops.

EXPANDED ARTS WORKSHOPS: $2500

(To be held in colloboration with the Carpinteria Community Library, Sana Sana Mujeres, and Alebrije Talleres y Tesoros)

Crafts, culture, & community workshops using traditional crafts and cultural traditions to foster creativity, connection, and cultural appreciation within diverse groups and communities.

EXPANDED ARTS & LITERACY WORKSHOPS - $2500

In collaboration with the Carpinteria Community Library, the first Saturday arts & literacy programs will return after a 8 year hiatus to serve our immigrant youth and families.

COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS: $14,500

Lunar New Year - $2500

Dia de los Ninos/Libros - $2500

Old Town Carpinteria Fiesta - $2500

Dia de los Muertos - $5000

Native American Heritage Month - $500

Hispanic Heritage Month - $1500

Past community celebrations have been held in collaborations with Aliso Elementary School, Viva el Arte de Santa Barbara,

Canalino Elementary School, The Lynda Fairly Arts Center, Carpinteria Children's Project, Carpinteria Girl's Inc., The Carpinteria Cemetery, The Alcazar Theatre, Carpinteria Boys & Girls Club, Carpinteria Moon Cafe, and La Tiendita.

All community celebrations include: Sound tech/DJ, cultural performances by dancers, musicians, table/chair rentals, venue rentals, book give-aways, decorations, arts & crafts workshops, decorations, master of ceremonies, cultural displays, promotions/ads

MARIACHI ESTRELLAS: $10,200.00

Fall Program (music instructors) September - December

20 weeks x 6 hrs = 120 Hrs. x $75 = $9000

Veterans Hall Rental = 20 weeks x $60 = $1200

Scope of Work Continued (extra page, if needed):

A. The CSSG Funds requested will help to fund the following free programs throughout the fiscal year.:

ARTS & LITERACY PROGRAMS ($7,800)

Year-round arts and literacy programming with Casitas Village Properties which include: book give-aways, children's authors, snacks, featured artists, arts and crafts workshops, Winter Camp, Spring Camp, and Summer Camp.

EXPANDED ARTS WORKSHOPS ($2,500)

Crafts, culture, and community workshops using traditional crafts and culture traditions to foster creativity, connection, and cultural appreciation within diverse groups and communities. (To be held in collaboration with the Carpinteria Community Library, Sana Sana Mujeres, and Alebrijes Talleres y Tesoros)

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All free community programs include: Sound tech, cultural performances by dancers and musicians, venue rentals, books, decorations, ads, arts & crafts supplies, cultural displays, flowers, and dance floors.

MARIACHI ESTRELLAS ($10,200)

Fall program music instructors: (September - December, 2025)
20 sessions x 6hrs = 120 hrs x $75/hr = $9000
Veterans Hall rental - 20 sessions x $60 = $1200

CITY OF CARPINTERIA
COMMUNITY SERVICES SUPPORT

Grant Application

July 2025 - June 2026

Applications due July 31st, 2025 before 12:00 PM (PST)

1. APPLICANT / ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Applicant name: Carpinteria Valley Baptist Church

Phone number: [redacted] Email Address: [redacted]

Name of 501(c)(3) organization: CarpinteriaValley Baptist Church

Mailing address: 800 Maple Ave

City: Carpinteria | State: California | Zip Code 93013

Federal Tax Identification Number (Non-profit): [redacted]

Contact person/Title: Charles Newton /Pastor

Contact phone number (if different than above): _____

Contact email (if different than above): _____

2. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Annual organization budget for last year: 60,000 | ☐ Fiscal -or- Calendar ☑

*Amount of grant funds requested**: $30,000

*Must be a specific amount within $1,000 to $30,000

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Carpinteria Baptist Church is committed to serving the Carpinteria community through compassionate outreach, family assistance, and the preservation of a vital historic landmark.

Alignment with City Priorities:
Our project directly aligns with the City's strategic goals by preserving one of Carpinteria's most historically significant buildings—a registered landmark and the oldest public structure still standing in town—while maintaining a vital space for food aid for families in need and community outreach. The funding will address structural rot damage and repainting needs that threaten the buildings, accessibility, and usability. Preserving this site ensures continued support for local families, enhances neighborhood vitality, and contributes to the city's cultural heritage and long-term infrastructure.

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II. Community Impact – (250 word maximum)

A. Describe the impact your programs, activities, services, and/or initiatives will have on the community, including the segments of the community you reach, and the specific needs being met.

B. Describe your organization's past efforts and future plans to become more inclusive and expand your community impact.

This project ensures that a cherished historical building remains safe and accessible for community services. The facility at 800 Maple Avenue is not only a city landmark—it also serves as a distribution point for groceries and supplies to families experiencing food insecurity.

Rot damage and peeling exterior paint pose structural and safety risks that could jeopardize these services. By addressing these issues now, we preserve a community anchor that meets immediate physical needs while upholding the city's historic charm.

The project also reflects our ongoing commitment to inclusivity and expanding access to underserved groups through practical, non-discriminatory assistance. For decades this historic building has been negleted but in the last year we have made many cosmetic and structural repairs including and new roof and rot repair. It is our goal to bring the charm back into this old building for decades to come

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III. Organizational Information– (250 word maximum)

A. Describe your administrative and governance structure, including numbers of staff and volunteers.

B. Briefly describe your operating budget's current status, future outlook, and long-term financial viability, including earned income and private/government support.

Carpinteria Baptist Church operates as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, governed by a board and supported by more than 40 active volunteers. While our name reflects our origins, our services—including all food aid programs, additction recovery assitance, professional clinical counseling, and social activities for all ages—are open to everyone in the community, regardless of background or belief. The senior and children who we work with is all livescaned and complient with AB506

We maintain a modest operating budget with strong donor support and zero debt. Our long-term financial viability is evidenced by the $85,000 we raised in the past year to complete a new roof on top of our operating budget. The operating budget in a calander year is $65,000 and always ends in the black . This grant will enable us to address critical remaining concerns—rot repair and repainting—that are essential to keeping the building safe, functional, and historically preserved for public use.

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IV. Scope of Work

A. Detail how your organization plans to use the CSSG funds requested throughout the fiscal year. **Note:** Each proposed cost/expenditure requires a description.

Project Title: Rot Repair and Exterior Repainting of Historic Community Facility

Use of Funds:

- Rot Damage Repair – Removal and replacement of deteriorated wood around eaves, support beams, and window frames caused by long-term exposure.
Estimated Cost: $18,000
- Exterior Repainting – Complete repainting of the building exterior using historically appropriate colors and preservation-grade materials to protect wood and maintain landmark appearance.
Estimated Cost: $15,000

These repairs will ensure long-term structural stability and maintain the historical character of Carpinteria's oldest building—preserving it as a place essential for the people of Carpinteria.

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1. APPLICANT / ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Applicant name: Kristina Calkins

Phone number: [redacted] Email Address: [redacted]

Name of 501(c)(3) organization: Carpinteria Arts Center

Mailing address: 865 Linden Ave.

City: Carpinteria | State: CA | Zip Code 93013

Federal Tax Identification Number (Non-profit): [redacted]

Contact person/Title: Kristina Calkins / Executive Director

Contact phone number (if different than above): _____

Contact email (if different than above): _____

2. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Annual organization budget for last year: $513,810 | ☐ Fiscal -or- Calendar ☑

*Amount of grant funds requested**: $23,500

*Must be a specific amount within $1,000 to $30,000

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3. PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

Please address the following **3** sections of evaluation criteria:

I. Organizational Mission Statement & Alignment – (250 word maximum)

A. Provide your organizations mission statement (one or two sentences).
B. Share how your mission statement and proposed project/initiatives aligns with community priorities.

The Carpinteria Arts Center (CAC) is dedicated to creating a vibrant community through the arts by offering inclusive, intergenerational arts programming for residents of all ages. In the absence of a formal community center, CAC serves as a vital gathering space, recognizing the arts as a powerful tool for connection, healing, and mental well-being. Participation in the arts—both creating and experiencing—has been shown to reduce stress, elevate mood, and alleviate feelings of isolation, particularly among youth, seniors, and marginalized groups.

CAC's proposed project aligns closely with the City's grant priorities: enhancing public outreach and education, strengthening engagement with youth, seniors, and Spanish-speaking community members, and expanding access to inclusive community programming. Our work also supports the City's response to the impacts of federal immigration activity, reaffirming a commitment to fostering a safe and welcoming environment for all, regardless of immigration status.

Grant funds will directly support three culturally responsive programs that provide mental health benefits and creative engagement for Carpinteria's Hispanic community: Bellas Artes Program, a bilingual intergenerational arts program; the Teen Mural Project, which fosters youth expression and leadership; and Chalk Walk, a vibrant public art event that brings the community together through shared creativity. These programs exemplify CAC's role in advancing equity, resilience, and belonging through the arts.

Continued funding is essential to sustain our free and accessible arts programming that strengthens community bonds and enhances quality of life for all residents.

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II. Community Impact – (250 word maximum)

A. Describe the impact your programs, activities, services, and/or initiatives will have on the community, including the segments of the community you reach, and the specific needs being met.

B. Describe your organization's past efforts and future plans to become more inclusive and expand your community impact.

Bellas Artes (BA) is a free, weekly intergenerational arts and culture program serving Carpinteria's Spanish-speaking community. In 2024, BA engaged 1100 duplicated and 180 unduplicated participants through partnerships with the Carpinteria Children's Project ("Abuelos" program) and People's Self-Help Housing (PSHH). With City funds, we'll offer BA at PSHH's low-income housing to be accessible, especially to our Spanish-speaking community, and foster creative expression, social connections, and support which will improve mental health and provide safe spaces for community members currently living in fear and isolation.

The free Teen Mural Project, now in at least its 11th year, engages 40+ youth, ages 12-19, annually who collaborate with professional artists, receive supplies, and create mural panels displayed for the community —encouraging youth expression.

Our annual Chalk Walk transforms downtown sidewalks into a vibrant public art gallery, welcoming all ages and experience levels. We also take Chalk Walk workshops with an instructor to PSHH and CCP so all can be included even if they don't have transportation, are not physically able, or feel uncomfortable leaving home. In 2025, 205 chalk squares were created, with 483 participants and 18 volunteers.

CAC's Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (DEIA) Plan is woven throughout our programs and partnerships to ensure access for under-resourced communities. We bring the arts directly to people where they live and gather. Progress toward our DEIA goals is evaluated annually through board review of quantitative and qualitative data, along with surveys of staff, board, and volunteers to assess impact and identify areas for growth.

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III. Organizational Information– (250 word maximum)

A. Describe your administrative and governance structure, including numbers of staff and volunteers.

B. Briefly describe your operating budget's current status, future outlook, and long-term financial viability, including earned income and private/government support.

CAC has 3 full-time and 3 part-time employees, 20 seasonal contract workshop instructors, 160 volunteers, and a 13-member volunteer board of directors. Our governance policies and internal controls ensure sound operations, effective programs, and fiscal responsibility. Detailed accounting procedures with separate roles and responsibilities ensure effective internal controls. Our Board Finance Committee and full Board meet monthly to review financial statements. Staff create gallery and program earned income reports which are checked by the Senior Accountant and Executive Director before checks are cut.

We had an aggressive “Revenue Growth & Achievement Plan” for 2024 which increased earned revenue by at least 10%, allowing us to withdraw $61,552 less from our Endowment in 2024. Our current operating budget is $722,592 with over 35% of revenue from earned income. We are on track to outperform our 2025 budget as we continue to have a strong performance in our avenues of earned income. Personnel expenses increased due to the expanded Bellas Artes program offerings and general wage and benefit increases. We decreased our operating expenses as part of our strategic plan for financial resilience. In 2025 we created an operating reserve to work towards avoiding the need to draw from our endowment during our third quarter when operating expenses exceed revenue.

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IV. Scope of Work

A. Detail how your organization plans to use the CSSG funds requested throughout the fiscal year. **Note:** Each proposed cost/expenditure requires a description.

CSSG funds will be used to implement Bellas Artes, Teen Mural, and Chalk Walk programs. Specifically, the requested funds of $23,500 will cover the following costs:

Bellas Artes - $12,000, which is a quarter of the actual program costs, is requested for contracted art instructors' time ($6,000) to provide arts education in the community; a prorated portion of the Bellas Artes Coordinator's time ($4000) to coordinate the art workshops with partners agencies in the community, conduct outreach, and engage community members; and supplies ($2000) to cover the hard costs of putting on the workshops above what is donated from the community, including food to bring people together for community meals during the workshops, an essential component of culturally responsive programming, and art supplies to provide to participants to create their art.

Teen Mural - $1500 is requested for supplies ($1000) to implement the project including lumber for the mural panels and paint supplies, as well as a minimal amount of the CAC Coordinator's time ($500) to coordinate the event, conduct outreach and engagement of teens, and coordinate the logistics.

Chalk Walk - $10,000 is requested for CAC's Coordinator including event promotion, volunteer organizing, participant registration, facility preparation and bookkeeping ($4000), partner subcontract with MURALism.org ($3000) to engage and pay artists with special needs to create business logos and ensure the event is accessible and inclusive of all artists' abilities, their lead artist, and art project manager. The remaining ($3000) is for supplies provided for free to the participants including chalk, art tools and awards.

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1. APPLICANT / ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Applicant name: Teresa Alvarez

Phone number: [redacted] Email Address: [redacted]

Name of 501(c)(3) organization: Carpinteria Children's Project

Mailing address: 5201 8th Street, Suite 100

City: Carpinteria | State: CA | Zip Code 93013

Federal Tax Identification Number (Non-profit): [redacted]

Contact person/Title: Teresa Alvarez / Executive Director

Contact phone number (if different than above): _____

Contact email (if different than above): _____

2. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Annual organization budget for last year: $2,222,057 | ☑ Fiscal -or- Calendar ☐

*Amount of grant funds requested**: $30,000

*Must be a specific amount within $1,000 to $30,000

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I. Organizational Mission Statement & Alignment – (250 word maximum)

A. Provide your organizations mission statement (one or two sentences).
B. Share how your mission statement and proposed project/initiatives aligns with community priorities.

Carpinteria Children's Project (CCP) connects families to early education, quality care, diverse resources, and support services necessary for their children to thrive, flourish, and succeed. We accomplish this through our Family Resource Center (FRC) and Early Childhood Education (ECE) program. CCP requests a $30,000 grant to support ECE scholarships, aligning with the City's social services priority, specifically childcare.

CCP's ECE program serves approximately 80 children annually, providing licensed, high-quality education in six classrooms for toddlers through preschoolers (18 months to 4 years old). We align with the Carpinteria Unified School District's Dual Language Immersion (DLI) model in Spanish and English. Additionally, we partner with organizations to provide enrichment activities, including nature field trips and weekly music classes, exposing children to opportunities and experiences they might not otherwise have access to.

Despite competitive tuition rates, many low-income families struggle to afford to enroll their children. The majority of families in our program live in Carpinteria, have one or two working parents and two young children and need full-time care so they can work and/or attend college. To address this need, CCP offers scholarships (tuition fee reductions of between 40% to 100%) to applicants who show the highest need in terms of household income and other risk factors. Scholarship recipients participate in at least 20 hours of preschool per week, the threshold where the greatest gains are seen according to research. Parents are also required to attend parenting classes and are connected to the FRC for additional support and resources.

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B. Describe your organization's past efforts and future plans to become more inclusive and expand your community impact.

ECE scholarships will benefit low-income families with children ages 18 months to 4 years old. For the 2024-25 school year, 32 of the 76 enrolled ECE students received a scholarship through CCP with these families earning an average household income of $55,330. The total value of scholarships awarded was $189,445. Of all ECE students last year, 74.6% were bilingual in Spanish and English and 75% were Hispanic/Latino.

A high-quality ECE program continues to be one of the most impactful factors in preparing children to enter school ready for success. Stable, reliable, culturally rich, and local early childhood development options strengthen children, their families, and the entire local community.

Our programming is culturally sensitive and the majority of ECE program staff reflect the population served, being Latina and bilingual. We offer interpretation services for Spanish-speaking parents at meetings that are being held in English. Additionally at the beginning of the school year, parents fill out a form about what holidays they celebrate and traditions they have in their family/culture, and teachers incorporate them into their curriculum. This past year, we had a Cultural Night where parents brought food from their culture to share. CCP has a Cultural Committee made up of staff members to ensure cultural competency and sensitivity in programming. CCP strives to cultivate an inclusive environment and our Board is currently participating in a series of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, & Accessibility (DEIA) training workshops.

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A. Describe your administrative and governance structure, including numbers of staff and volunteers.

B. Briefly describe your operating budget's current status, future outlook, and long-term financial viability, including earned income and private/government support.

CCP is governed by a 10-person Board of Directors, composed of individuals with diverse backgrounds and skill sets that they bring to provide oversight and guidance to the organization. The majority are Carpinterians, so they understand the community. Our Board President is a former CCP parent. CCP currently has 22 full-time employees and 7 part-time employees. Our leadership staff and teachers are bilingual and bicultural. We benefit from the generosity of time and expertise of 80 volunteers.

CCP seeks funding from a variety of sources, including local foundations, corporations, and individual donors. Approximately 53% of our budget comes from donations and grants, 8% from contracts, and 39% from earned revenue. CCP is financially strong with healthy reserves to support our programs' future sustainability, alongside our continuing fundraising efforts. CCP is actively exploring government funding that would allow us to bill for the services provided in the FRC.

IV. Scope of Work

A. Detail how your organization plans to use the CSSG funds requested throughout the fiscal year. **Note:** Each proposed cost/expenditure requires a description.

Carpinteria Children's Project will provide high-quality, Dual Language Immersion Early Childhood Education to approximately 80 children 18 months to 4 years old. CCP will utilize CSSG funds to offer scholarships (tuition fee reductions) to families who apply for financial assistance and demonstrate the greatest need in terms of family income and other risk factors. A $30,000 grant will support scholarships of 50% for approximately four families based on the tuition of a three-year-old child enrolled full-time. Families who receive scholarships will also be connected to the FRC with access to parenting classes, resource referrals, case management, and more.

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1. APPLICANT / ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Applicant name: Peter Bonning

Phone number: [redacted] Email Address: [redacted]

Name of 501(c)(3) organization: Carpinteria Skate Foundation

Mailing address: 3950 Via Real spc 104

City: Carpinteria | State: CA | Zip Code 93013

Federal Tax Identification Number (Non-profit): [redacted]

Contact person/Title: Peter Bonning / Executive Director

Contact phone number (if different than above): [redacted]

Contact email (if different than above): [redacted]

2. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Annual organization budget for last year: $275,000 | ☑ Fiscal -or- Calendar ☐

*Amount of grant funds requested**: $20,000

*Must be a specific amount within $1,000 to $30,000

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3. PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

Please address the following **3** sections of evaluation criteria:

I. Organizational Mission Statement & Alignment – (250 word maximum)

A. Provide your organizations mission statement (one or two sentences).
B. Share how your mission statement and proposed project/initiatives aligns with community priorities.

The Carpinteria Skate Foundation (CSF) is dedicated to fostering recreational and extracurricular opportunities in the community of Carpinteria. Through the creation of the Carpinteria Skate Park and the Push Project, CSF works to maintain inclusive spaces designed for creative self expression, with a focus on engaging a growth mindset.

The Carpinteria Skate Foundation's mission aligns closely with the City of Carpinteria's and Santa Barbara County's priorities around youth engagement, public safety, equity, and access to enrichment opportunities. Through the creation of the Carpinteria Skate Park and the Push Project, CSF supports local efforts to provide safe, healthy, and inclusive spaces for young people to grow, connect, and thrive.

The Push Project meets a pressing community need: structured, no-cost after-school programming for middle school students—especially those from working-class, low- to moderate-income households and the opportunity for CHS students to earn community service hours as mentors. Delivered in collaboration with the Carpinteria Unified School District, the program keeps youth engaged in positive, skill-building activities during peak after-school hours, a time when many are otherwise unsupervised or without access to programs. This directly supports local prevention strategies that promote youth safety, wellness, and connection to trusted adult mentors.

Through hands-on visual arts projects and physical movement via skateboarding, students build confidence, self-expression, and resilience—all key factors in long-term community health and success. The program also reinforces the public investment in the Carpinteria Skate Park by ensuring it remains accessible, activated, and welcoming to all. In these ways, CSF helps advance shared agency goals for youth development and community well-being.

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II. Community Impact – (250 word maximum)

A. Describe the impact your programs, activities, services, and/or initiatives will have on the community, including the segments of the community you reach, and the specific needs being met.

B. Describe your organization's past efforts and future plans to become more inclusive and expand your community impact.

The Push Project provides free, after-school programming to middle school students in Carpinteria, with a focus on youth from low- to moderate-income, working-class families. The program offers a safe, supportive space where students engage in visual arts, skateboarding, and mentorship—building self-confidence, creativity, and emotional resilience. For many participants, this is their only extracurricular activity, and one of the few spaces where they feel seen, supported, and inspired.

By eliminating cost barriers, providing gear and transportation, and maintaining a gender-balanced, inclusive environment, the Push Project serves a wide and often underserved segment of the community. It also activates the public skatepark as a community hub for youth development, strengthening public investment in shared spaces. In doing so, the program addresses local priorities around youth safety, equity, creative expression, and social-emotional health, helping shape a more connected, confident, and resilient generation of young people.

Since its founding in 2009, the Carpinteria Skate Foundation has prioritized inclusive, community-driven programming that reflects the diverse needs of Carpinteria youth. From the design of the public skatepark to the launch of the Push Project, CSF has worked to eliminate barriers to participation by offering free programs, providing all gear and materials, and partnering directly with the Carpinteria Unified School District to reach students from low- to moderate-income households. We maintain a gender-balanced program environment, and our staff reflects the community we serve.

Looking ahead, CSF plans to expand program capacity, grow our team of diverse teaching artists and mentors, and deepen outreach to youth who are historically underrepresented in creative and recreational spaces. We're also exploring new partnerships with local schools and organizations to increase our year-round impact. Every step forward reflects our ongoing commitment to equity, access, and youth empowerment across Carpinteria.

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III. Organizational Information– (250 word maximum)

A. Describe your administrative and governance structure, including numbers of staff and volunteers.

B. Briefly describe your operating budget's current status, future outlook, and long-term financial viability, including earned income and private/government support.

Our administrative structure consists of our Board of Directors, our Executive Director, and our employees - including a camp director, 4 camp counselors, 2 program facilitators and 2 shop employees. We bring volunteers in as needed to work with students.

CSF's current operating budget is in very good standing, with strong fiscal oversight and diversified funding. We are on track to meet our $450,000 annual goal through a combination of foundation grants, private donations, and ongoing community support. Looking ahead, our funding outlook is strong, with multiple grant opportunities in progress and growing regional interest in youth-focused programs. In the long term, CSF aims to expand earned income through events and partnerships, while continuing to build reliable support from local government, private philanthropy, and institutional funders to ensure the sustainability of the Push Project and future initiatives.

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IV. Scope of Work

A. Detail how your organization plans to use the CSSG funds requested throughout the fiscal year. **Note:** Each proposed cost/expenditure requires a description.

The Carpinteria Skate Foundation (CSF) is requesting $20,000 to support the hiring of specialized facilitators for our flagship after-school program, the Push Project. These funds will be used throughout the fiscal year to recruit, train, and retain teaching staff uniquely qualified to work with middle school-aged youth in a dynamic, nontraditional learning environment that blends skateboarding, creative self-expression, and social-emotional growth.

Push Project facilitators must bring more than technical skill—they must connect with students from a wide range of backgrounds and support a positive, inclusive culture. Our participants are highly diverse in terms of income, language, gender, and learning styles, and many face real barriers to belonging and expression. As such, we seek facilitators who are not only experienced in youth work but also culturally responsive, trauma-informed, and passionate about experiential education.

Grant funds will directly support facilitator wages, orientation, and ongoing professional development. This investment will allow us to maintain a low student-to-staff ratio, offer consistent mentorship, and deliver programming that feels both safe and personally meaningful to every student. With growing enrollment and increasing school referrals, this role is critical to maintaining the integrity and impact of the Push Project.

Ultimately, this funding supports CSF's broader mission: to create equitable access to creative, physical, and emotional development opportunities for all youth in Carpinteria, especially those who have been historically excluded from traditional after-school spaces.

Budget Table – Use of $20,000 Grant Funds

Expense Category	Description	Amount
Program Facilitator Wages	Hourly compensation for specialized instructor(s) to co-lead Push Project	$14,000
Staff Training & Orientation	Onboarding, youth development training, trauma-informed practices	$2,000
Professional Development	Workshops or certifications (e.g., SEL, cultural competency, skate safety)	$1,500
Program Planning & Evaluation	Time for curriculum planning, student assessment, and team coordination	$1,000
Payroll Taxes & Admin Support	Related administrative costs, payroll processing	$1,500
Total		$20,000

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1. APPLICANT / ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Applicant name: Family Service Agency of Santa Barbara County

Phone number: [redacted] Email Address: [redacted]

Name of 501(c)(3) organization: Family Service Agency of Santa Barbara County

Mailing address: 123 West Gutierrez St.

City: Santa Barbara | State: CA | Zip Code 93101

Federal Tax Identification Number (Non-profit)---------- [redacted]

Contact person/Title: Paul Katan /

Contact phone number (if different than above): _____

Contact email (if different than above): _____

2. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Annual organization budget for last year: $20,181,246. | [x] Fiscal -or- Calendar [ ]

*Amount of grant funds requested**: $30,000.

*Must be a specific amount within $1,000 to $30,000

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3. PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

Please address the following **3** sections of evaluation criteria:

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A. Provide your organizations mission statement (one or two sentences).
B. Share how your mission statement and proposed project/initiatives aligns with community priorities.

For over 100 years, FSA has been at the forefront of work to strengthen families, assist those in need, and build a healthy, resilient community. FSA's holistic approach pairs mental health services with basic needs assistance—helping individuals, children, families, and seniors with the resources needed to address immediate issues and prepare for long-term self-sufficiency. The people we serve typically face complex issues and barriers to accessing assistance—including poverty, unemployment, substance abuse, depression, cultural and linguistic barriers, and abusive relationships. Our core programs are: Family Support Services—including basic needs assistance, case management and parent education, Youth and Family Behavioral Health, School-Based Counseling, and Senior Services. All services are trauma-informed and focus on building resilience. FSA staff are highly qualified, bilingual, and culturally competent—with 54% of our therapists and 100% of our Family Advocates bilingual in English and Spanish. Services are delivered in safe and convenient locations countywide—including FSA offices in Carpinteria, Santa Barbara, Lompoc, Santa Maria, and Guadalupe—as well as being located at schools, homes, and via telehealth when needed. All services are offered free of charge in Spanish and English. Last year, FSA helped over 25,000 people in Santa Barbara County—from ages 0 to 109. 91% of our clients were low or very low income, 84% Latino; and 100% at-risk.

Our work aligns with Carpinteria's Community Collaboration and Social Services Goals.

Mission: FSA strengthens and advocates for families and individuals of all ages and diversities, helping to create and preserve a healthy community

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II. Community Impact – (250 word maximum)

A. Describe the impact your programs, activities, services, and/or initiatives will have on the community, including the segments of the community you reach, and the specific needs being met.

B. Describe your organization's past efforts and future plans to become more inclusive and expand your community impact.

Impact
This request will augment funding to provide trauma-informed, resilience-oriented mental health services—in English and Spanish—for children, youth, and families in Carpinteria through our two core programs: Youth & Family Behavioral Health and School-Based Counseling. It will also support implementing a new model for sustainably funding future school-based counseling.

Urgent Need
Last year FSA was able to provide mental health counseling to over 130 students in Carpinteria Schools (See also Coastal View 10/2/24). This year, we will not be able to meet those numbers without additional funds. Needs are rapidly intensifying due to the enforcement of federal immigration policies and the concomitant social safety net funding cuts and claw-backs. Significant funding for school-based mental health counseling has been eliminated, including a $9 million US Department of Education Grant which funded school-based counseling in six local school districts including Carpinteria last year. Simultaneously, district budgets have been reduced so schools cannot contribute funds. Without new funding, many children, youth and their families will be left without this crucial support.

Inclusivity
FSA actively collaborates with many organizations to meet the needs of our community's most vulnerable members, including those who are undocumented and low-income. One hallmark of FSA is that we are not single-issue focused. We help all people who walk through our doors—using flexible private funding – for those who don't fit government contract parameters, and we continue to lead efforts to promote wellbeing county wide—for example the submission of the 9-million-dollar grant referenced above.

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A. Describe your administrative and governance structure, including numbers of staff and volunteers.

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Structure
FSA is one of Santa Barbara County's oldest and most comprehensive social service non-profits. Our annual budget for FY24-25 was $20,181,246. We employ 200 staff and 30 volunteers. We have a typical leadership structure with one CEO, two Chief Strategy officers, Five Program Directors and a robust diverse Board of community leaders spanning the county. We have offices throughout the county including within the Carpinteria Children's Project.

Financial Standing
We are in excellent economic standing—maintaining strong infrastructure to secure revenue and diversify income streams. We are funded by a combination of government grants, private contributions, and earned income. FSA's Board, Finance Committee, and staff review monthly financials and monitor expenditures to ensure budget adherence. We monitor contract performance to ensure earnings of projected revenue. We contract with municipalities, school districts, Santa Barbara County, and other agencies; and, we manage multiple grants from private foundations including regularly applying for new opportunities.

In typical times we take steps to increase our financial reserves and ensure that we can maintain services and innovate for emergencies, not using our endowment for operations. In these uncertain times, with federal funding in jeopardy, we are ramping up efforts to leverage and identify other funding sources and partnership opportunities. We are also asking our generous foundation partners for increased awards—so together we can remain a solid bulwark in Santa Barbara County against poverty, dislocation, and mental health challenges for families and individuals of all ages and diversities.

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IV. Scope of Work

A. Detail how your organization plans to use the CSSG funds requested throughout the fiscal year. **Note:** Each proposed cost/expenditure requires a description.

Request
We respectfully request a $30,000 grant to support the provision of youth mental health services through two of FSA's core programs: Youth & Family Behavioral Health and School-Based Counseling. Your generous investment will augment public funding and enable us to continue to provide trauma-informed, resilience-oriented counseling services in English and Spanish to vulnerable children and youth in Carpinteria K-12 schools. If awarded, this grant will supplement the personnel costs of therapeutic staff delivering services to Carpinteria residents.

Need
Currently, we are seeing concerning increases in stress at the family level due to forceful immigration practices and rising costs of living. Prior to the election, youth mental health was already a peak concern—with suicide being the second leading cause of death among California youth ages 10-19. Healthy Kids data (2023) also shows the seriousness of problems affecting local students: a sample of six SB County districts shows 12-23% of students have experienced frequent (elementary) or chronic (middle/high school) sadness in the past year, and 15-26% of 7th graders reported having considered suicide.

Programs
The trauma-informed support provided by FSA therapists is designed to assist children and youth experiencing emotional distress, which is often connected with learning loss, isolation, and underlying social emotional needs. Our therapists provide support where kids spend most of their time – at schools. We also provide services at home and via telehealth. Generally, the services provided by FSA school-based therapists are coordinated as part of each school's effort to support every student in being able to participate in and succeed academically.

School-Based Counseling (SBC) provides mental health therapy and skill building to children and teens—leading to improved classroom behavior, academic success, and overall wellbeing. School-based Therapists (SBTs) are highly trained in an array of age appropriate, evidence-based interventions and modalities, as well as critical incident response. They serve as trusted and reliable allies for students, families, and staff, and are embedded at K-12 school sites in Carpinteria.

Youth & Family Behavioral Health (YFBH) provides children, youth, and their families with one-on-one therapeutic mental health counseling including crisis intervention and treatment for issues such as untreated/unresolved trauma, depression, anxiety, substance use, and self-harming behavior. Counseling supports parents and caregivers in addressing the social and emotional needs of their children—which is especially helpful for those who have experienced toxic stress and/or multiple Adverse Childhood Experiences. Family members are also provided with mental health services or resource support and referrals as needed.

Scope of Work Continued (extra page, if needed):

FSA's work with families is essential to supporting the student. Our efforts focus on strength-based support, meeting families where they are, providing tools and encouragement, and presenting with unconditional positive regard. We refer students to higher levels of care for more intensive services as needed. We are also able to intervene when home/family situations are unsafe. Additionally, we collaborate with Carpinteria Children's Project (CCP) to receive families in need of counseling, as well as referring to CCP for those in need of concrete resource and wraparound support.

We should emphasize that given the current situation of fear and distrust in Carpinteria due to active ICE raids, students and their families will be needing more therapeutic services both in schools, via telehealth, and at home. These two programs will support both of those needs.

Goals
1. Ensure SBTs are available for any student in need of support—including those who are uninsured or who cannot safely apply for assistance at this time
2. Provide individual counseling to students and support parents/caregivers
3. Consult with teachers and administration about student emotional needs
4. Respond during crises and provide consultation and emotional support post-incident

Outcomes and Evaluation
With this grant and available funding, we anticipate serving 80 families in Carpinteria in the coming year. Our outcomes include:

1. Students will show a decrease in post-traumatic stress symptoms. The posttraumatic stress symptoms are measured pre- and post-treatment using the evidence-based Children's Revised Impact of Events Scale-8 (CRIES-8).
2. Students will show a decrease in depression symptoms. Students' depression symptoms are measured pre- and post-treatment using the evidence-based Patient Health Questionnaire Modified for Adolescents (PHQ-A).
3. Students will show a reduction in emotional and behavioral problems after treatment. The evidence-based Pediatric Symptom Checklist (PSC) is used to screen students for clinical levels of emotional and behavioral problems.
4. Students will be satisfied with services received. Students complete the evidence-based Client Satisfaction Questionnaire (CSQ-8) to measure satisfaction with services.

Therapeutic Process
Students are typically identified by classroom teachers, school staff/administration, parents, and self-referring. In addition to individual therapy, therapists also provide classroom presentations and consult with school site teams. Each school site has dedicated office space for one-on-one counseling sessions. Typically, students are seen once a week and those with higher needs twice weekly. The average length of time for students to stay in counseling is 12-16 weeks, with some staying longer as needed. The program operates on the school calendar, with additional days built in for therapists to prepare for the start of the school year and closeout at the end.

Scope of Work Continued (extra page, if needed):

Once services begin, SBTs discuss confidentiality, conduct a clinical assessment, administer a Pediatric Symptom Checklist, and develop an individualized treatment plan. The student's progress and treatment plan are continuously monitored and evaluated for improvement, alterations, and/or increases/decreases of services both by the SBT and their supervisor. SBTs and their supervisor meet weekly to review any risks, address concerns, and implement best practices for the client. Throughout treatment, SBTs continue to collaborate and support school staff and families and hold regular collateral family sessions. During and after treatment, SBTs employ evidenced-informed assessment tools to gauge treatment efficacy and measure outcomes. This includes having teachers reevaluate student behavior and academic progress for baseline to end-of-treatment comparisons. We use proven evidence-based and ethical treatments and modalities to ensure the best possible outcomes for our student clients and their families. We keep all of our therapists and supervisors up to date with trainings, credentialling and access to state-of-the-practice resources.

Sustainability
As noted above, countywide funding for school-based therapy services have been dramatically cut. To address the deficit, FSA has been actively looking for new ways to fund these crucial services for our youth. This grant will go entirely to direct services in Carpinteria, and it will help us pilot a new funding strategy.

There is some MediCal funding available for school-based therapy—for therapeutic sessions only. MediCal will not pay for essential coordinated care services including parent/teacher/school consultations, crisis response, urgent informal situations, training for parents or school staff, etc. Overall, MediCal funds will only pay approximately 40% to 50% of the total costs leaving a still significant deficit.

The approach FSA is piloting includes braiding CalAIM and MediCal funds with private sources to help maintain some school-based therapists going into next year. We are also working with our District partners to explore possibilities of providing counseling under the California Child & Youth Behavioral Health Initiative's fee schedule. The City of Carpinteria's support (along with the partners listed below) will allow us to optimize this model for the long-term. Additionally, your generous award will provide counseling for students without any insurance and/or those who feel unsafe applying for assistance during this uncertain time.

Partners
The funding situation for School Based Therapy throughout Santa Barbara County is in flux due to Federal budget cuts and reduced district budgets. FSA is committed to maintaining School Based Therapy services in these challenging times. We are seeking new partners and asking established partners for increased help. Generally, we believe we will have some gap funding for Carpinteria from the La Centra-Sumerlin Foundation, James S. Bower foundation, and the Women' Fund of Santa Barbara. We are additionally reaching out to two other local foundations who have not yet committed.

Many Thanks
Thank you for your consideration of our request. Please feel free to contact our Director of Grants & Partnerships, Paul Katan, at pkatan@fsacares.org or 805-965-1001 ext. 1255, should you need anything or wish to schedule a meeting with us.

Sincerely,

Lisa Brabo
Chief Executive Officer

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1. APPLICANT / ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Applicant name: The First Baptist Church of Carpinteria (Family Baptist Church)

Phone number: [redacted] Email Address: [redacted]

Name of 501(c)(3) organization: The First Baptist Church of Carpinteria

Mailing address: 5026 Foothill Road

City: Carpinteria | State: CA | Zip Code 93013

Federal Tax Identification Number (Non-profit): [redacted]

Contact person/Title: David Pennington / Associate Pastor

Contact phone number (if different than above): "

Contact email (if different than above): "

2. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Annual organization budget for last year: Church: $247,859 School: $475,878 | ___ Fiscal -or- Calendar ✓

*Amount of grant funds requested**: $ 23,120

*Must be a specific amount within $1,000 to $30,000

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Organizational Mission Statement & Alignment

A. Family Baptist Church is a local family of Christ, composed of committed and equipped followers of Jesus, who seek to serve all of the families of our community with the Gospel in word and action.
B. For 72 years, our church has believed that we exist not just for our members, but to serve the broader Carpinteria community. In response to local needs, we've launched several initiatives that continue to make a positive impact.
    a. In 2020, we established *Coastal Family Preschool* to meet the rising demand for safe, high-quality preschool, infant, and toddler care. As one of the few childcare centers in the area, we are now working to expand our capacity to better serve families.
    b. In 2021, we invested $20,000 to build a state-of-the-art outdoor basketball court—the only one of its kind in the area. Designed for community and youth use, the court promotes health and wellness for both young people and adults.
    c. In 2022, we launched *Friday Feast*, a free monthly community barbeque held on the last Friday of each month. Funded by our church, this event serves 180–200 hamburgers and 80–120 hotdogs along with sides and water. We welcome high school students, families, the homeless, migrant workers, and others in need of food and community.
C. Each of these efforts aligns with city goals to support youth, essential workers, and the unhoused, while addressing broader needs related to childcare, health, and wellness. All of our services are free and open to the entire community, and we remain committed to investing in initiatives that enhance the quality of life for all in Carpinteria.

Community Impact

A. Community Impact and Needs Being Met
    a. Coastal Family Preschool serves over 40 families, providing a safe and nurturing environment for children—including the largest infant care program in Carpinteria. We play a vital role in helping parents return to work after childbirth, supporting both families and local businesses. We are currently working to expand our infant capacity and are in a fundraising campaign to offer $67,000 in scholarships to make our preschool more affordable and accessible. We've already raised about half of that goal.
    b. Our outdoor basketball courts offer a free, no-registration-needed space for community members of all ages and backgrounds. Families, friends, and older adults use the courts daily for fun, fitness, and connection. As the only public courts in the area, they have become a valuable resource for health and wellness across socioeconomic lines.
    c. Friday Feast is a free monthly community meal open to all. Held on the last Friday of each month, we regularly serve youth after school, migrant workers heading home from work, and individuals experiencing homelessness. Along with food, we offer a warm welcome, building relationships and trust through consistent, caring presence.
B. Each of these initiatives reflects our church's commitment to serving the entire Carpinteria community. From childcare and physical wellness to food security and social connection, we strive to meet practical needs and improve quality of life. Our doors are open to all, and our programs aim to serve people of all walks of life.

Organizational Information

A. Our church operates under the leadership of a Board of Elders, led by our pastor. Financial oversight is managed by a separate Board of Trustees, overseeing the annual budgets for both the church and preschool. These budgets are reviewed by the Elders and then presented to the congregation for approval. Three staff pastors oversee the various ministries of the church, while our preschool is managed by a Director and supported by 10 staff members.

B. As a nonprofit, our church depends on the generous donations of our members to meet operational needs. In recent years, giving has steadily increased—up by approximately $50,000 since 2019—demonstrating strong community support and financial commitment. Additionally, our preschool has become a consistent source of income, contributing to the church's overall budget.

   Since its launch five years ago, Coastal Family Preschool has generated a net profit of $61,811, all of which has been reinvested into the school to enhance its services. This financial stability allows us to continue providing essential childcare to local families while also supporting broader church initiatives.

   With 72 years of proven commitment to serving the Carpinteria community and five successful years operating the preschool, we are confident in our long-term financial viability. As the preschool expands to meet growing demand, we anticipate continued increases in revenue and impact, strengthening our ability to serve the diverse and evolving needs of our city.

Scope of Work

Basketball Courts

In order to keep serving the community with a recreational basketball court that is open to all we need to have regular maintenance which contributes to the longevity of the court. We are currently needing to re-stripe the court in order to keep the basketball court visible and functional for our community. We are also in need of maintenance on the hoops and the lights that are attached to the top of the hoop for those who play in the evening. We are requesting $2000 in order to do the necessary work for the upkeep of the court. The bid we have received for the lines (attached) is $1800 and we approximate $200 for maintenance of the hoops and lights.

Total Request: $2000

a) Re-Striping the court
b) Maintenance of the physical hoops and lights

Friday Feast

One of the major needs of our Friday Feast community barbecue is a new grill to replace an older and smaller grill which we are currently using. A larger updated grill would enable us to be able to cook more food in a shorter amount of time to feed the amount of people who are coming to the barbecue. We are requesting $1600 for a grill which would enable us to better serve the community and meet council goals of engaging the community with food resources as well as serving our hard working migrant community members. We also are in need of four new easy up canopies that have been worn out from the three years of use during Friday Feast. The canopies provide shade in the parking lot for people to sit under and rest while eating a meal together. They are essential to promote communication and community engagement during the barbecue. The cost for four canopies will be $520.

Lastly, we are requesting $4000 for a tuff shed (quote attached) that will go in our parking lot that will enable us to store all of our necessary materials for Friday Feast and our basketball courts. The sheds will store our canopies, barbecues, tables, chairs, basketballs, and necessary supplies to continue serving our community in these specific ways.

Total Request: $6,120

a) Updated Grill
b) Canopy Shades
c) Tuff Shed Storage

Coastal Family Preschool

Coastal Family Preschool exists to support the workforce within the city of Carpinteria by providing essential childcare services for children 3 months through Kindergarten. We are currently seeking funds to develop our preschool outdoor classroom. We desire to create an outdoor space for the children in our care that highlights the beautiful natural space that we live in. Funds would be used to enhance outdoor learning centers; for example, creating space for additional gardening boxes to highlight our communities agricultural heritage, a large sand and water play zone to showcase the natural resources of our coastline, bicycle paths and other enriching activities that grow the minds and bodies of the youngest Carpinterians. In addition to our current fundraising efforts we are seeking $15,000 to assist in making this project possible.

Total Request: $15,000

a) Enhancing our outdoor learning center to better serve the children and families of Carpinteria.

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1. APPLICANT / ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Applicant name: Jamie Collins

Phone number: [redacted] Email Address [redacted]

Name of 501(c)(3) organization: Girls Inc. of Carpinteria

Mailing address: 5315 Foothill Rd

City: Carpinteria | State: CA | Zip Code 93013

Federal Tax Identification Number (Non-profit): [redacted]

Contact person/Title: Madeline Balser / Development Director

Contact phone number (if different than above): _____

Contact email (if different than above): [redacted]

2. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Annual organization budget for last year: $1,580,400 | ☑ Fiscal -or- Calendar ☐

*Amount of grant funds requested**: $30,000

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3. PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

Please address the following **3** sections of evaluation criteria:

I. Organizational Mission Statement & Alignment – (250 word maximum)

A. Provide your organizations mission statement (one or two sentences).
B. Share how your mission statement and proposed project/initiatives aligns with community priorities.

A. Mission Statement:
Girls Inc. of Carpinteria's mission is to inspire all girls to be strong, smart, and bold.

B. Alignment with Community Priorities:
Girls Inc. of Carpinteria fulfills its mission through impactful programs that empower girls to achieve personal, social, political, and economic success. Girls Inc. plays a critical role in the lives of those we serve by providing high-quality programming for girls ages 4-18, young women ages 18-22, and their families. Our holistic approach helps girls value themselves, take risks, and develop their inherent strengths. We equip girls to navigate gender, economic, and social barriers, so they grow up healthy, educated, and independent. In FY 2024-2025, Girls Inc. served 723 youth (boys and girls), providing over 34,000 hours of Strong, Smart, and Bold programming. With the City of Carpinteria’s support, Girls Inc. continues to serve the broader community through our community food pantry, resilience hub, and wraparound enrichment programs.

Our work directly supports the City of Carpinteria’s Community Collaboration priority by improving access to youth services, enhancing equity and inclusion for low-income families, and building local partnerships. Through our Social Services efforts—including after-school childcare, health and wellness programs, and a 24/7 community food pantry—we address urgent needs that go beyond the City's immediate scope. As the only licensed after-school provider in the area and a designated resilience hub for emergency preparedness, we are uniquely positioned to serve Carpinteria’s most vulnerable populations. Our monthly Family Engagement Nights and youth-centered community activities also foster collaboration and outreach in alignment with the City’s strategic goals.

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II. Community Impact – (250 word maximum)

A. Describe the impact your programs, activities, services, and/or initiatives will have on the community, including the segments of the community you reach, and the specific needs being met.

B. Describe your organization's past efforts and future plans to become more inclusive and expand your community impact.

A. Impact of Programs & Services:
Girls Inc. of Carpinteria's programming serves girls ages 4-18, young women ages 18-22, and their families, who are primarily low-income and Latino populations. Our after-school enrichment (ASE), summer day camp (SDC), and community-based programs reach over 3,000 unduplicated individuals annually. ASE includes homework help, mental health support, weekly STRONG curriculum, and hands-on STEM activities. SDC offers full-day programming focused on leadership, health, wellness, and college & career readiness. We also provide consistent access to food, helping families prioritize education and work. In total, our community outreach supports over 4,000 people annually. We also recently introduced Project Accelerate, a year-long mentorship program that provides career exploration, financial literacy, college and workforce readiness, and leadership development for young women ages 18-22. Participants gain the critical life skills and real-world tools they need to thrive beyond the classroom, with a community of support behind them.

B. Inclusion & Expansion Efforts:
Our foundational values of community and intentionality guide our work. We've expanded our programming to include young women ages 18-22 through Project Accelerate, and also include boys in our Healthy Sexuality and school-based programs. To address systemic inequities, we deliver wraparound services like our 24/7 food pantry and community resilience hub that benefit the entire Carpinteria community, not just our enrolled girls. We have also replaced our current fee-based model with a sliding scale structure to ensure long-term accessibility for all families, regardless of income. By intentionally designing programs that are non-stigmatizing and inclusive, we lower barriers to access and expand our impact across socio-economic lines.

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III. Organizational Information– (250 word maximum)

A. Describe your administrative and governance structure, including numbers of staff and volunteers.

B. Briefly describe your operating budget's current status, future outlook, and long-term financial viability, including earned income and private/government support.

A. Administrative & Governance Structure:
Girls Inc. of Carpinteria is governed by a Board of Directors that meets monthly to oversee strategic and organizational operations. Board members serve on various committees and help ensure the integrity and prosperity of the organization.
Day-to-day operations are led by a professional staff. Our leadership team includes our Executive Director, Programs Director, Development Director, and Accounting and Operations Director. We currently have 11 full-time staff members and 8 part-time staff members. Our team is also supported by 75 volunteers who assist with the food pantry, fundraisers, and family engagement nights throughout the year.

B. Our 2025-2026 operating budget is $1,569,686. We have put an intentional effort into diversifying our streams of income to ensure long-term sustainability. Our revenue comes from program fees, facility rentals, grants, and individual contributions. In 2024-2025, our earned income from program fees and facility rentals was $433,486 and our government support totaled $366,999. A large majority of this government support was for a capital campaign to renovate our on-campus kitchen. For the upcoming year, government support is projected to be $90,000, which is in line with funding levels from previous years.

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IV. Scope of Work

A. Detail how your organization plans to use the CSSG funds requested throughout the fiscal year. **Note:** Each proposed cost/expenditure requires a description.

Use of CSSG Funds:
CSSG funding will directly support the continuation of our core programming, including:

After-School Enrichment, Summer Day Camp and Project Accelerate: Supports staffing, curriculum materials, and supplies for health and wellness, mental health, and STEM programs.

Community Food Pantry: Helps maintain our 24/7 pantry operations, including the purchase of shelf-stable, refrigerated, and frozen foods. Also funds nutritional snacks and light meals for youth during after-school hours and school breaks.

Resilience Hub Operations: Assists in emergency preparedness training (e.g., CERT certification for staff), climate resilience discussions with parents, and resource distribution during extreme weather events.

These services allow Girls Inc. to remove barriers to success, address food insecurity, and provide accessible support for working families and vulnerable community members across Carpinteria.

Scope of Work Continued (extra page, if needed):

Key Program Objectives for FY 2025-26

Objective # 1: STRONG, SMART, BOLD: Girls Inc. focuses on physical and mental well being, supports girls' intellectual growth through academic enrichment, bolsters leadership skills, and encourages girls to advocate for themselves and their communities. The following outcomes show our positive impact on girls through our holistic approach in our after-school enrichment, summer day camp, and Project Accelerate program.

Metrics/KPI*:

- 85% of Girls Inc. after-school program participants report a positive experience.
- Provide over 40,000 hours of Strong, Smart, and Bold programming per fiscal year.

Expected Outcomes (Targets/Impacts): Through our STRONG programming, participants will be exposed to three core areas--balanced nutrition, access to nature, and physical activity. Through our SMART programming, participants are exposed to life-changing experiences, mentorships, and academic enrichment programs. Through our BOLD programming, participants engage in activities that help them evaluate and take healthy risks.

Objective # 2: COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY: Our community food pantry is open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, ensuring free food access for anyone in need in Carpinteria. Our food pantry also supports our efforts to provide nutritional snacks and light meals to our participants, particularly after school and during school breaks. Access to nutritional food is especially important after school and during breaks because for many children, access to consistent and nutritious food is not guaranteed outside of school hours.

Metrics/KPI*:

- Conduct quarterly interviews of food pantry participants with 80% satisfaction rate.
- Provide over 80,000 lbs. of rescued food to the community.

Expected Outcomes (Targets/Impacts): Through our community food pantry, we will combat food insecurity and increase our food rescue capacity to meet the needs of our families and the greater community.

Objective # 3: RESILLENCE HUB:

Metrics/KPI*: Girls Inc. of Carpinteria's community resilience hub will serve as a vital safety net during rain events, floods, mudslides, heatwaves, and fires. As the only designated resilience hub in Carpinteria, Girls Inc. Is actively bolstering its emergency response and preparedness preparations.

Metrics/KPIs:

- 80% of staff is CERT trained through the City of Carpinteria.
- Conduct two climate resilience discussions with our parents to ensure they are prepared and have resources for environmental disasters.

Expected Outcomes (Targets/Impacts): Through our resilience hub training and preparation, we will be able to respond effectively to the community's emergency needs.

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1. APPLICANT / ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Applicant name: Hospice of Santa Barbara

Phone number: [redacted] Email Address: [redacted]

Name of 501(c)(3) organization: Hospice of Santa Barbara, Inc.

Mailing address: 2050 Alameda Padre Serra, Suite 100

City: Santa Barbara | State: CA | Zip Code 93103

Federal Tax Identification Number (Non-profit): [redacted]

Contact person/Title: Heather Stevenson / Grants Manager

Contact phone number (if different than above): [redacted]

Contact email (if different than above): n/a

2. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Annual organization budget for last year: 4,487,598 | ☐ Fiscal -or- Calendar ☑

*Amount of grant funds requested**: 15,000

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3. PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

Please address the following **3** sections of evaluation criteria:

I. Organizational Mission Statement & Alignment – (250 word maximum)

A. Provide your organizations mission statement (one or two sentences).

B. Share how your mission statement and proposed project/initiatives aligns with community priorities.

A. Mission Statement

Hospice of Santa Barbara's mission is to care for anyone experiencing the impact of a life-threatening illness or grieving the death of a loved one—free of charge.

B. Alignment with Community Priorities

At Hospice of Santa Barbara, we believe no one should have to face grief or serious illness alone. Through our Compassionate Care of Carpinteria program, we offer free bereavement counseling for children, teens, and adults, as well as critical wraparound support for those living with life-threatening illness. We serve grieving students on local school campuses, low-income seniors managing illness, and families navigating the heartbreak of loss. We also help local residents complete advance care directives—offering peace of mind for families making difficult decisions.

Our services directly support the City Council's goals around equity, inclusion, outreach, and collaboration. We work in close partnership with Carpinteria Unified School District, AgeWell, and local nonprofits to reach those most in need—including Spanish-speaking families, isolated elders, and children who might otherwise be left to grieve alone.

We're also there during community crises—offering immediate, on-the-ground grief support when tragedy strikes. And we help fill critical gaps that fall outside the City's direct reach—like transportation, caregiver respite, and end-of-life planning.

We're grateful for the opportunity to support the health and resilience of the Carpinteria community, and we look forward to continuing this essential work together.

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II. Community Impact – (250 word maximum)

A. Describe the impact your programs, activities, services, and/or initiatives will have on the community, including the segments of the community you reach, and the specific needs being met.

B. Describe your organization's past efforts and future plans to become more inclusive and expand your community impact.

A. Program Impact on the Community

Through Compassionate Care of Carpinteria, Hospice of Santa Barbara provides vital, no-cost services to people in Carpinteria who are facing serious illness or grief. In the coming year, we plan to serve at least 230 local residents—including children, teens, adults, and seniors—through a combination of bereavement counseling, Patient Care Services, and advance care planning.

Our programs meet critical mental health and wellness needs across the lifespan. We provide grief counseling for children and teens at four Carpinteria schools, offer support groups and one-on-one therapy for grieving adults, and support families dealing with life-threatening illness—helping with everything from care navigation and emotional support to transportation and grocery delivery.

We especially focus on underserved community members: in recent years, 60% of Carpinteria children we served were Latino, and many came from low-income households. Our bilingual staff and culturally responsive approach help us reduce health disparities and provide a trusted bridge between families and care.

B. Commitment to Inclusion and Expanding Impact

We are always looking for ways to increase access and deepen our community roots. Recent efforts include holding a free community breakfast where organizations can learn about what we have to offer; providing more bilingual services; collaborating with AgeWell on elder outreach; and launching a Carpinteria-specific newsletter to ensure that more people are aware of what we have to offer. Our aim is to be wherever people are hurting—and to ensure they know we're here for them.

By meeting people where they are and offering services in both English and Spanish, we're building a more compassionate, inclusive Carpinteria, one family at a time.

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III. Organizational Information– (250 word maximum)

A. Describe your administrative and governance structure, including numbers of staff and volunteers.

B. Briefly describe your operating budget's current status, future outlook, and long-term financial viability, including earned income and private/government support.

A. Governance Structure

Hospice of Santa Barbara (HSB) is a 51-year-old nonprofit governed by a dedicated volunteer Board of Directors. CEO David Selberg leads a team of 48 staff and 115 trained volunteers, who provided over 3,386 hours of service last year, valued at over $113,000 in staff savings. Volunteers assist with patient needs, co-lead grief groups, and offer companionship through programs like No One Dies Alone.

B. Budget and Finances

HSB's current operating budget is $4.69 million. The majority of our funding comes from the Santa Barbara Hospice Foundation, individuals, foundations, and local government, including the Cities of Santa Barbara, Carpinteria, and Goleta, and Santa Barbara County. While we don't receive direct federal funding, we are monitoring how federal cuts could eventually affect local budgets. We're also beginning to feel indirect effects. A couple of foundations have reduced their giving to us in order to redirect funds toward organizations that have taken major hits to their government funding. We completely understand that shift, but it does create a ripple effect for programs like ours.

We anticipate increased pressure on our Patient Care Services program, which serves mostly low-income individuals. As public benefits like housing, food assistance, and clinics are reduced, our clients will face greater hardship and need more help accessing basic resources. Simultaneously, demand for our bereavement counseling is likely to rise, as preventable deaths among vulnerable populations increase. We are preparing for this shift and investing in fundraising, volunteer recruitment, and infrastructure to meet growing community need.

IV. Scope of Work

A. Detail how your organization plans to use the CSSG funds requested throughout the fiscal year. **Note:** Each proposed cost/expenditure requires a description.

Funds would be used to support all services offered through Compassionate Care of Carpinteria as described below.

GOALS FOR 2025-26
We will serve a total of 230 Carpinterians, broken down as follows:
• 45 Carpinteria children/teens receive bereavement counseling
• 75 Carpinteria adults receive bereavement counseling
• 35 Carpinteria patients & 45 family members receive help through Patient Care Svcs.
• 30 Carpinterians complete the MyCare advance care planning document, with an emphasis on Spanish-speaking Carpinterians.

PATIENT CARE SERVICES
When people hear the word “hospice,” they usually picture someone dying in a bed, surrounded by nurses and medical equipment. At Hospice of Santa Barbara, we’re not the ones around the patient’s bed—instead, we surround the patient’s life. Our Patient Care Services team helps hold the pieces together when everything feels like it’s falling apart. Our job is to ensure that patients get the care they need while maintaining a sense of control. We do this by helping them understand their treatment options, get to medical appointments, and face the hard conversations that come with serious illness. We take care of the everyday things—like groceries, rides, and paperwork—so they can focus on what matters most: time with loved ones, peace of mind, and living each day with dignity.

In 2024-25, we served 21 Carpinteria patients and their 30 immediate family members. Our goal is to make the process of navigating a life-threatening illness easier for the patient and their family to improve their quality of life. Our services help patients:

• Overcome language or cultural barriers to understanding their illness and treatment.
• Receive financial benefits while going through treatment so they can afford housing, food, medication, or child care.
• Find affordable transportation so they don’t miss critical medical appointments.
• Effectively understand and navigate their illness and treatment.
• Receive volunteer support for errands, groceries, companionship, and respite for caregivers.
• Prepare emotionally, financially, and logistically for the death of a loved one.
• Access counseling and develop skills such as household management after a spouse dies.

Scope of Work Continued (extra page, if needed):

CHILDREN AND FAMILY BEREAVEMENT COUNSELING
At Hospice of Santa Barbara, we recognize that grief impacts the entire family system, and that timely, compassionate support can make all the difference. According to the 2025 Childhood Bereavement Estimation Model, one in 13 children in California will experience the death of a parent or sibling before turning 18. That number doubles by age 25. Without specialized grief counseling, these experiences can contribute to lifelong challenges, including poor health, academic struggles, and emotional distress.

Sadly, children who have lost a parent or a sibling are often called “forgotten mourners.” Young children do not usually express emotions using words, and teenagers tend to avoid talking about a death so as not to upset other family members. This can cause adults to wrongly assume that they are fine. So children are often left to grieve alone, which can cause them to withdraw, regress developmentally, do poorly in school, take drugs, become depressed or suicidal, or engage in self-harm.

To support young people who have experienced a loss, we provide individual counseling in our offices in Santa Barbara and Carpinteria and on school campuses, including Aliso Elementary, Canalino Elementary, Carpinteria High School, and Carpinteria Middle School. The goal of grief therapy for young people is to provide a safe space for emotional expression, promote healthy coping mechanisms, and facilitate resilience. Through age-appropriate interventions, we aim to address unexpressed emotions, prevent prolonged grief, and mitigate the risk of behavioral and academic issues. Our therapists also work closely with caregivers to support the child's healing process and promote a supportive environment at home. In 2024-25, we served 21 young Carpinterians ages 4-24 and their family members.

ADULT BEREAVEMENT COUNSELING
Grief can profoundly affect adults, disrupting their emotional, physical, and cognitive well-being. Loss often triggers intense sadness, anxiety, despair, and social withdrawal, impairing daily functioning. Sleep disturbances, appetite changes, and fatigue are common physical manifestations. Adults may have trouble concentrating, memory lapses, and reduced decision-making abilities due to the overwhelming nature of grief. Prolonged grief can lead to depression, substance abuse, and health complications. Without adequate support and coping mechanisms, grief may impede personal growth and hinder the ability to navigate life's challenges effectively.

HSB’s therapists offer a hand through the journey of grief to help those who are suffering find meaning in their lives again. In addition to individual counseling, our professionally-facilitated groups offer healing to those who have lost a spouse, parent, friend—or even a pet. The goal of grief therapy is to help adults navigate their complex emotions while gaining insight, validation, and understanding of their own journey with grieving. Within a supportive therapeutic relationship, adults can explore their pain, confront unresolved issues, and develop healthier coping mechanisms. In 2024-25, we served 41 Carpinteria adults.

Scope of Work Continued (extra page, if needed):

ADVANCE CARE PLANNING
We are working to increase the number of people who complete the MyCare Advance Directive document. Most people do not have such a document, which can cause patients to receive medical care they don't want, or cause strife if family members don't agree on how to proceed when a loved one is incapacitated. The percentage of Latino community members who have an advance directive in place is even lower than the general population. Our services are offered in Spanish and are culturally relevant to improve understanding of and completion rates for advance directives. In 2024-25 we helped 48 Carpinterians complete their MyCare document.

EXPANDING OUR REACH IN CARPINTERIA
In 2025, we have been actively working to strengthen relationships in the Carpinteria community through a number of targeted outreach efforts:

Community Breakfast
We hosted a free community breakfast on April 15, bringing together a total of 74 Carpinterians. We had representatives from government agencies, businesses, and non-profits, including Carpinteria-Summerland Fire Department, Doctors Without Walls, Girls Inc., Friendship Center, HopeNet, Peoples Self-Help Housing, Sansum Clinic, the Mayor of the City of Carpinteria, Pacifica Graduate Institute, Foodbank, Carpinteria Arts Center, and Citizen's Business Bank. The goal of the breakfast was to raise awareness about the range of support we offer and to build stronger connections with those who live and work in Carpinteria. We believe that this kind of personal, grassroots engagement will help increase both community trust and the number of local referrals we receive.

Partnership with Carpinteria AgeWell
Our ongoing collaboration with AgeWell has provided another meaningful entry point into the community. Several of our dedicated volunteers now help co-facilitate a peer-led support group for older adults in Carpinteria, which not only expands access to emotional support but also reinforces our commitment to meeting people where they are—literally and figuratively.

Carpinteria-Specific Newsletter
To keep the community informed, we are launching a new quarterly newsletter tailored specifically for Carpinteria residents. This newsletter will highlight local programming, share stories, and ensure that residents remain connected to the services and support available to them.

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Applications due July 31st, 2025 before 12:00 PM (PST)

1. APPLICANT / ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Applicant name: HopeNet of Carpinteria

Phone number: [redacted] Email Address: [redacted]

Name of 501(c)(3) organization: Mental Wellness Center

Mailing address: 617 Garden Street

City: Santa Barbara | State: CA | Zip Code 93101

Federal Tax Identification Number (Non-profit): [redacted]

Contact person/Title: Amrita M. Salm, President

Contact phone number (if different than above): _____

Contact email (if different than above): _____

2. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Annual organization budget for last year: $3,843.78 | ☑ Fiscal -or- Calendar ☐

*Amount of grant funds requested**: $3,426.

*Must be a specific amount within $1,000 to $30,000

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3. PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

Please address the following **3** sections of evaluation criteria:

I. Organizational Mission Statement & Alignment – (250 word maximum)

A. Provide your organizations mission statement (one or two sentences).
B. Share how your mission statement and proposed project/initiatives aligns with community priorities.

HopeNet of Carpinteria's activities align directly with the City of Carpinteria's strategic priority to enhance the quality of life for all residents and to enhance public outreach and education. Mental health is a fundamental element of well-being, safety and connection. HopeNet addresses suicide prevention and mental health awareness while encouraging and supporting community resilience.

HopeNet of Carpinteria does not provide direct services such as counseling, rather we focus on suicide prevention strategies and awareness by providing resources that give community members needed information to seek professional help for themselves or others, reduces stigma about mental health and encourages connection to others, rather than isolation.

HopeNet of Carpinteria strives to serve residents of all demographic and age categories as anxiety, depression and suicide are public health hazards.

Grant funds from the City allow HopeNet to sustain and expand initiatives that serve the Carpinteria community, including:

• Distribution of suicide prevention wallet cards in English and Spanish to increase access to life-saving information and services.

• Promotion of the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline, ensuring that residents know where to turn in moments of crisis.

• Annual Candlelight Vigil on World Suicide Prevention Day, providing space for remembrance, healing, sharing and hope.

• Mental Health & Wellness Faire brings agencies and organizations to Carpinteria to share resources.

• Collaboration with and outreach to local, county and national organizations.

• Participation in May Mental Health Awareness Month through publication of newspaper articles on mental health and coordinating the county "Light Up Green" campaign.

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II. Community Impact – (250 word maximum)

A. Describe the impact your programs, activities, services, and/or initiatives will have on the community, including the segments of the community you reach, and the specific needs being met.

B. Describe your organization's past efforts and future plans to become more inclusive and expand your community impact.

Populations Served:
HopeNet's programs are designed to create and maintain a broad and lasting impact on the entire Carpinteria community by addressing mental health needs across all ages, genders, ethnicities and backgrounds. We believe suicide prevention and mental health support must be accessible, inclusive and community-wide to be effective.

Past Efforts/Future Plans:
As the mental health needs have changed over the last 15 years we have responded by expanding our services and out-reach activities to include higher risk populations (seniors, youth & Spanish speaking populations), having more bi-lingual materials and doing more outreach to these groups. We work closely with other organizations. We have prioritized engagement with young people through school partnerships, targeted messaging (adding the QR code & 988 number to our cards) and work more directly with seniors.

Needs Being Met:
Addressing the need for resources on mental health services, both crisis and preventive, we help the community reduce suicide attempts, reduce mental health stigma through information & communication to foster a healthier, more connected & caring community.

Key Areas of Impact:
• Awareness and Early Intervention: HopeNet ensures residents can recognize early warning signs and access life-saving support through the distribution of suicide prevention wallet cards, in Spanish & English, making presentations to local organizations and promoting the 988 National Suicide & Crisis Lifeline.

• Providing Resources and Support: From our inception, in 2012, HopeNet has focused on suicide prevention, advocacy and awareness. Our annual Candlelight Vigil/Mental Health and Wellness Faire, publication of articles and participation in May Mental Health Awareness Month provide safe spaces for dialogue and healing, encouraging & normalizing mental health conversations, reducing stigma and encouraging help-seeking behaviors.

• Strengthening the Mental Health Safety Net: By collaborating with Carpinteria's public and private schools, youth groups and seniors and many local & county nonprofits and government organizations we have extended resources into all corners of the community. As a result we have become more inclusive and expanded our community impact.

• Education and Empowerment: Our outreach activities and resources increase community understanding of the warning signs of suicide, how one can help, reduce stigma and help residents avail themselves of support services.

Future Plans for Greater Inclusion:
We are planning to host several mental health workshops for Spanish-speaking families, many who are undocumented, with young children with a specific focus on early prevention, parental support and culturally relevant strategies for promoting emotional well-being.

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III. Organizational Information– (250 word maximum)

A. Describe your administrative and governance structure, including numbers of staff and volunteers.

B. Briefly describe your operating budget's current status, future outlook, and long-term financial viability, including earned income and private/government support.

A. Adminstrative & Governance Structure:
HopeNet is driven by the needs of our community and approaches problem-solving and change by communication and consensus.
Our elected officers are: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. HopeNet is run entirely by our board members (presently there are 12) and the assistance of local volunteers (numbers vary by event) including Rotary, Carp Arts Center, Carpinteria Senior Citizens, Inc. and other groups and organizations. We have no paid staff except a young, Carp woman who maintains our website for approximately 25 hours of work per year.

B. Operating Budget, etc.
HopeNet of Carpinteria is a grass-roots organization with an operating budget primarily of the grant monies from the City of Carpinteria. Occasionally, we have received donations from individuals and organizations, between one dollar (tip jar) and one - five hundred dollars, in honor of the donor's deceased sister.

From the Community Services grant, we pay for printing our wallet sized cards for distribution, purchase one-day insurance, ads for our annual Candlelight Vigil/Mental Health and Wellness Faire, minimal office supplies, website hosting and maintenance.

Our future outlook and long-term financial viability are based on receiving City grant monies (for the last few years, approximately $2,000) and small donations. We have no earned income.

Board members pay for refreshments for events, copying, ink cartridges, paper products and many volunteer hours monthly.

We have no private/government support other than what has been stated above.

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A. Detail how your organization plans to use the CSSG funds requested throughout the fiscal year. **Note:** Each proposed cost/expenditure requires a description.

HopeNet of Carpinteria traditionally does the following activities that are included in the Community Services grant including:
1.Printing of wallet sized suicide prevention cards in Spanish & English for distribution to schools, churches & businesses;
2. Organizing the Annual Candlelight Vigil on World Suicide Prevention Day and our Mental Health & Wellness Faire at the Carp Arts Center is a way to continue to support our community with information, support and healing. This involves about half of the budget, as of last year, to pay for liability insurance & ads in Coastal View News, also allows members/volunteers of other organizations to interact & share information. About 12 organizations attend;
3. Website Maintenance this year includes more hours as the website is being re-imagined and improved;
4. Because attendance at the annual Out of Darkness Walk, sponsored by the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) is a great opportunity to meet & support both survivors and volunteers of many suicide prevention groups this year we are including this expense that we have been paying for ourselves over the last few years.
5. We continue to attend and speak at many other events and organizations distributing our cards and other resources to educate community members (Rotary Club meetings, Carp Woman's Club, Arts & Crafts event in May at the Arts Center, Health Faire at Carp Children's Project, etc.). We also write five viewpoint articles for Coastal View News in May. One board member has a quarterly column on mental health issues.

Last year, 2024-25, we were able to fund an afternoon workshop, conducted by YouthWell, for CMS eighth graders to prepare them for entering high school. We worked in partnership with Carp Middle School and Youth Well while utilizing some of the donations we had available.

In an effort to respond to the changing mental health needs of our community, HopeNet has included in this year's grant request, workshops for children and parents at Carp Children's Project (CCP) who are dealing with anxiety, uncertainty and fear due to immigration policies by the federal government.

A number of agencies (BeWell, FSA, CALM, Carp Community Library, etc.) and independent licensed therapists have offered their services pro-bono to CCP. CCP would provide the administrative coordination of the workshops, the venue, flyers, recruitment of families to attend workshops and additional services (mental health, food, library cards & books and other support) as needed. CCP has already engaged a therapist for Medi-Cal clients, once a week to support parents & families that can handle up to 40 referrals.

The first workshop would be for Spanish speaking families and be divided into two sections: one for children which would involve dealing with feelings & fears through play/talk therapy; another for parents to provide the skills and training to help parents talk about immigration, ICE activities and how they will deal with it, in efforts to lessen post-traumatic stress and depression. Immediately after the workshop sessions other support would be provided including, but not limited to, transportation to & from CCP (provided by Drivers Listos), food distribution, on-the spot library cards & borrowing Spanish language children's books and other individual support services.

The second workshop would be for the allies of the families affected by current immigration raids, to help them understand the needs of the those directly affected and how they can provide support and assistance. A second workshop would be available for local, English speaking children.

These activities are a collaborative effort, that would be administratively coordinated by Carpinteria Children's Project and HopeNet of Carpinteria, working with local agencies and individuals offering their services pro bono or working with MediCal clients and helping to make Carpinteria a safer place for all residents, including our neighbors and workers, many of whom are undocumented, who are integral and valued members of our community.

Request for Funds through the Community Services Budget, 2025-2026

1. Printing 2,000 wallet-sized suicide prevention cards in English & Spanish -	$340.
2. Website Maintenance (@ $35. per hour) 22 hrs. X $35 -	$770.
(part of these expenses are for re-building our website)	
3. Candlelight Vigil Liability Insurance (1-day event) -	$227.
(this insurance is required for us to do public programs)	
4. Candlelight Vigil/Mental Wellness Faire Publicity	$450.
(we place two ads in CVN to promote the event and increase awareness, education and empowerment of the community. These ads are also made into flyers that are distributed through CUSD and throughout the community)	
5. Office Supplies (name tags, etc.)	$ 50.
6. Registration for Out of Darkness Walk	$ 125.
7. Workshops for children & parents of Carp Children's Project	$1,200.
8. Website Hosting (domain name)	$ 204.
9. Pool banner fee ($30.X 2)	$ 60.
TOTAL	$3,426.

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1. APPLICANT / ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Applicant name: Ernie Merlan

Phone number: [redacted] Email Address: [redacted]

Name of 501(c)(3) organization: Muralism

Mailing address: 4804 Laurel Canyon Blvd #104

City: Valley Village | State: CA | Zip Code 91607

Federal Tax Identification Number (Non-profit) [redacted]

Contact person/Title: Ernie Merlan / Executive Director

Contact phone number (if different than above): _____

Contact email (if different than above): _____

2. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Annual organization budget for last year: $429,956 | ☐ Fiscal -or- Calendar ☑

*Amount of grant funds requested**: $14,880

*Must be a specific amount within $1,000 to $30,000

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3. PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

Please address the following **3** sections of evaluation criteria:

I. **Organizational Mission Statement & Alignment – (250 word maximum)**
   A. Provide your organizations mission statement (one or two sentences).
   B. Share how your mission statement and proposed project/initiatives aligns with community priorities.

Muralism empowers artists with disabilities to transform communities through vibrant, inclusive murals.

Muralism's mission is rooted in community engagement, equity, and empowerment-- values that strongly align with the Carpinteria's Community Services Support Grant program goals. By creating collaborative public murals, we facilitate inclusive participation across age, ability, and background. Our proposed Carpinteria mural will bring together community members and artists-- including artists with disabilities-- for a shared experience of creativity and connection.

The proposed mural project addresses key priorities set by the CSSG, including:

Community Collaboration & Events: Community members will be engaged to collaborate on the painting of the mural. Community Paint Days scheduled during the project will provide the opportunity for folks to gather together and contribute to the beautification of the community.

Equity & Inclusion: Muralism's model directly supports people with disabilities by providing meaningful employment, vocational training, and public visibility for their contributions.

Health & Wellness: Public art contributes to mental health, community pride, and neighborhood beautification-- fostering a more vibrant and connected city.

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II. Community Impact – (250 word maximum)

A. Describe the impact your programs, activities, services, and/or initiatives will have on the community, including the segments of the community you reach, and the specific needs being met.

B. Describe your organization's past efforts and future plans to become more inclusive and expand your community impact.

A. Community Impact:

This mural project will bring together the Carpinteria community through a shared act of creativity in the heart of Carpinteria. By engaging residents, local partners, and artists-- including artists with disabilities-- we'll create a vibrant public artwork that celebrates the city. The mural will provide a platform for inclusion, education, and civic pride. Community paint days will offer opportunities for hands-on participation, building connections across generations and backgrounds. The completed mural will serve as a lasting symbol of Carpinteria's commitment to accessibility, equity, and collaboration.

We specifically aim to reach:

People with disabilities: by creating inclusive employment and visibility;

Youth, families, seniors, and general residents: by offering a welcoming and participatory experience that enhances wellbeing, connection, and cultural expression.

B. Past Efforts and Future Plans:

Muralism was founded to create inclusive pathways for artists with disabilities to share their talents and engage meaningfully with the public. Over the past six years, we've completed over 100 murals across Southern California, with a staff of whom more than 70% identify as disabled. We actively partner with schools, nonprofits, and government agencies to design projects that meet community needs and uplift underrepresented voices.

Looking ahead, we plan to expand our impact in Santa Barbara County, continuing to offer collaborative mural projects that bring people together, beautify public space, and champion access and inclusion for all.

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III. Organizational Information– (250 word maximum)

A. Describe your administrative and governance structure, including numbers of staff and volunteers.

B. Briefly describe your operating budget's current status, future outlook, and long-term financial viability, including earned income and private/government support.

A. Administrative and Governance Structure:

Muralism is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit based in Los Angeles County with a mission to connect artists with disabilities to the community through public art. The organization is led by a small administrative team, including an Executive Director, Director of Programs & Operations, and Project Manager. We currently employ around 10 muralists, most of whom identify as disabled or neurodivergent. We also regularly engage community participants-- typically 2500+ annually-- during community paint days, school workshops, and special events. Muralism is governed by a diverse Board of Directors that meets quarterly and plays an active role in strategic planning, fundraising, and oversight.

B. Financial Status and Outlook:

Muralism operates with an annual budget of approximately $500,000, supported by a mix of project revenue (contracts with schools, municipalities, and nonprofits), municipal & foundation grants, and individual donations.

We are currently in a stable financial position and actively pursuing diversified support, including corporate sponsorships, government grants, and donor engagement campaigns. With over 100 completed murals and a growing reputation for inclusive, community-based art, Muralism is well-positioned for sustainable growth. We are committed to expanding our reach-- including in Carpinteria-- and building long-term financial viability while continuing to serve both artists with disabilities and the broader community.

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IV. Scope of Work

A. Detail how your organization plans to use the CSSG funds requested throughout the fiscal year. **Note:** Each proposed cost/expenditure requires a description.

Muralism proposes to use Carpinteria's Community Services Support Grant funds to design and install a public mural at 771 Linden Avenue, located in the courtyard of the Laughing Buddha in Carpinteria. The project will activate the approximately 480 sq. ft. brick wall that is already in need of repainting. This highly visible mural will celebrate the nature and cultural identity of Carpinteria while engaging the public in the creative process.

The mural design will feature an underwater welcome sign, with directional arrows pointing to Carpinteria and Anacapa Island. Surrounding the sign will be marine life emblematic of the area, including a dolphin and an iconic seal from the local rookery, set among the vibrant flora and fauna of Carpinteria's kelp beds. The style will be similar to the Carpinteria Boathouse mural that we completed in 2021.

The project will include:

Design and transfer of the mural artwork, including adaptive paint-by-number outlines;

2-3 Public paint days with an expected turnout of 100–200 community members, including families, youth, and seniors;

Employment and training for Muralism's team of artists with disabilities

Finishing processes, including final detailing and a protective anti-graffiti clear coat.

We currently charge $26/sq ft for mural painting and $5/sq ft for the graffiti protection clearcoat, totaling $14,880 in direct project costs. Carpinteria's CSSG funds will directly support artist wages, community engagement, materials, and protective finishing.

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July 2025 - June 2026

Applications due July 31st, 2025 before 12:00 PM (PST)

1. APPLICANT / ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Applicant name: Reel Guppy Outdoors Inc

Phone number: [redacted] Email Address: [redacted]

Name of 501(c)(3) organization: Reel Guppy Outdoors Inc.

Mailing address: 2741 Victoria Ave., Suite D

City: Oxnard | State: CA | Zip Code 93035

Federal Tax Identification Number (Non-profit): [redacted]

Contact person/Title: Kevin Brannon / Founder & Executive Director

Contact phone number (if different than above): _____

Contact email (if different than above) [redacted]

2. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Annual organization budget for last year: $138,142 | ☐ Fiscal -or- Calendar ☑

*Amount of grant funds requested**: $24,250

*Must be a specific amount within $1,000 to $30,000

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3. PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

Please address the following **3** sections of evaluation criteria:

I. Organizational Mission Statement & Alignment – (250 word maximum)

A. Provide your organizations mission statement (one or two sentences).
B. Share how your mission statement and proposed project/initiatives aligns with community priorities.

Our Mission is to empower and to inspire youth, families, and our community to be impactful in the world through education and personal development. Our Vision is to unify all individuals as passionate stewards affecting positive change for their environment and our world.

Reel Guppy Outdoors aligns strongly with Carpinteria's community priorities by delivering inclusive, educational, and environmentally focused programming for youth and families. Our mission to empower individuals through education and personal development complements the city's goals of enhancing community well-being, sustainability, and public engagement—especially with youth and underserved communities.

Our Carpinteria-based initiative includes beach clean-ups and surf fishing integrated with citizen science activities and environmental education, and supported by experts from NOAA and the Department of Fish & Wildlife. By involving families from across the Carpinteria Unified School District, we will foster stewardship, leadership, and access to coastal experiences. Activities include science journaling, documentary production, and conservation-based competitions that inspire youth to become environmental changemakers.

This initiative supports Carpinteria's efforts to enhance recreational access, protect the environment, and build regional collaboration. Our partnerships with local schools, and city leaders—along with Spanish-language outreach—ensure inclusivity and broad community engagement. Filming and public broadcasting of student-led conservation work amplifies transparency, inspires civic pride, and deepens connection to Carpinteria's natural identity.

Through this program, we aim to strengthen Carpinteria's small-town character while investing in the next generation of environmental stewards and community leaders.

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II. Community Impact – (250 word maximum)

A. Describe the impact your programs, activities, services, and/or initiatives will have on the community, including the segments of the community you reach, and the specific needs being met.

B. Describe your organization's past efforts and future plans to become more inclusive and expand your community impact.

Carpinteria's ~13,000 residents are 48.8% Hispanic/Latino and 20.4% youth. With 6% living below the poverty line and 2,091 K–12 students districtwide, there is strong demand for accessible, bilingual environmental education and career pipelines. ReelGuppy Outdoors will meet these needs through nine months of monthly beach clean ups and surf fishing days incorporating citizen science journals and trash collecting tournaments, and student led film projects. Guest experts from NOAA and Department of Fish & Wildlife educators will help deepen scientific understanding, while family focused scheduling ensures broad participation across Latino, migrant, and Spanish speaking households. By partnering with Carpinteria Middle School and engaging with all six district schools for outreach, we fill critical gaps in outdoor learning, civic engagement, and workforce readiness.

Building on collaborations with JusticeOutside and Mixteco/Indígena Community Organizing Project, we provide bilingual materials, disability accommodations, and family-friendly scheduling. A new Port of Hueneme funded internship pipeline will recruit diverse local youth into paid roles, enhancing leadership and job skills. This program will broaden our impact in Carpinteria, deepen our relationship with the entire Unified School District, encourage engagement of youth and families in other Reel Guppy Outdoors programs, and establish regular programming and community interest that can be expanded in future years. These strategies will broaden our reach, cultivate lifelong environmental stewards and create sustainable pathways to marine science related careers throughout Carpinteria and our region.

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III. Organizational Information– (250 word maximum)

A. Describe your administrative and governance structure, including numbers of staff and volunteers.

B. Briefly describe your operating budget's current status, future outlook, and long-term financial viability, including earned income and private/government support.

Reel Guppy Outdoors operates with a dedicated team of six staff —a full time Executive Director, a Data & Operations Manager, three part time Program Assistants, and one Momentum Innovative Disability Services job placement program employee— and supported by 25 volunteers including interns from local schools and nonprofits. A seven member Board of Directors, chaired by our Founder/Executive Director, provides strategic oversight. This diverse team structure ensures strong leadership, high quality programming, and deep community engagement to advance Reel Guppy's mission of environmental education and access for all.

Current Status:

• Budget vs. YTD: FY2025 expenses align with our $237,000 budget; we've raised $222,259 toward a $248,800 revenue goal and are on track to exceed it.

• Revenue Mix: 20% from restaurant fundraisers and individual/recurring gifts; 80% from grants and contracts (Justice Outside; Calpine/Clean Energy Alliance; Ventura County Probation; Ventura County Credit Union; CI Harbor Foundation; Cal Chamber; Port of Hueneme; City of Port Hueneme).

• Reserves: Two months of operating expenses in unrestricted reserves.

Future Outlook:

We've secured new grants for three program expansions (Creative Cinematic & Multimedia Arts; Oceans of Opportunity; Research & Exploration) and a Port of Hueneme–funded internship partnership, with multi year commitments from core funders. Year to date revenue is 65% above FY2024, aligning with our strategic plan benchmarks.

Long Term Viability:

Through revenue diversification—bolstering fundraisers, individual giving, and corporate/government grants—alongside quarterly financial forecasting and proactive risk management, we maintain healthy reserves and sustain growth. Ongoing partnerships position us to expand impact well beyond 2026.

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IV. Scope of Work

A. Detail how your organization plans to use the CSSG funds requested throughout the fiscal year. **Note:** Each proposed cost/expenditure requires a description.

Reel Guppy Outdoors (RGO) respectfully submits this Scope of Work for the Carpinteria Community Services Support Grant (CSSG), outlining our planned activities and budget expenditures for the 2025–2026 program year. This project directly supports youth and families in Carpinteria through outdoor education, environmental stewardship, and citizen science, while promoting access, inclusion, and community collaboration.

Oceans of Opportunity Hooked on Nature Program

Program Overview (September 2025 – May 2026)

RGO will deliver a series of hands-on, outdoor learning experiences to engage Carpinteria youth and families in beach ecology, sustainable fishing, and coastal conservation. Over the nine-month period, the program will include:

• 4 Beach Clean-ups and 3 Surf Fishing Days (~25 participants per event), held monthly
• Oceans of Opportunity Trash Collecting Tournament encouraging friendly environmental competition
• Guest Speakers from agencies such as NOAA, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, and Park Rangers
• Citizen Science Journals to track trash collected, wildlife observed, and environmental data
• Film and Media documentation created in partnership with Carpinteria Middle School and shared through school bulletins, YouTube Shorts, and SBTV

Events will be marketed citywide and held every 3rd Saturday to accommodate family schedules. The program will specifically outreach to families through Carpinteria Middle School and all six district schools, with emphasis on serving those with barriers to access such as Latino/migrant communities and providing bilingual access to materials. Events are free to families and RGO will provide all fishing gear and event day refreshments as in-kind.

Participants will complete activity books and short science logs after each event, helping reinforce learning. The program will include achievement-based awards and could offer school credit in partnership with Carpinteria educators if desired.

Scope of Work Continued (extra page, if needed):

A. Use of CSSG Funds ($24,250)

1. Salaries – $20,000

Executive Director – $13,000
The Executive Director will lead overall program management, including marketing, school and city coordination, event planning, education delivery, and preparation of materials. This position is also responsible for maintaining relationships with school district contacts and city partners and ensuring inclusive access for Spanish-speaking families.

Film and Production Assistant – $4,500
This staff member will support pre-production planning, filming, and post-production editing of program content, guiding student-led projects, including YouTube shorts and SBTV content. They will work closely with the Carpinteria Middle School video production class to integrate their curriculum.

Program Assistants – $2,500
Two or more program assistants will assist with event set-up, clean-up, participant support, activity facilitation, and data collection.

2. Materials & Supplies – $4,250

Educational Materials & Printing – $2,000
Funds will support the printing of Citizen Science Journals and six original RGO environmental activity books (including Let's Go Catch a Memory, Let's Explore the Channel Islands, Kelp Forest, Pier Critters, Whales and Friends, and Coastal Critters), which help reinforce environmental literacy, science learning, and place-based education.

Coastal Clean-up Supplies – $500
Purchase of eco-friendly trash bags, gloves, grabbers/pickers, and containers to support community clean-up activities safely and effectively.

Achievement Awards – $1750
Awards such as $25 AFCO gift cards (donated in-kind), plaques, certificates, and small recognition items will be used to motivate participants during the Trash Collecting Tournament and to recognize outstanding contributions and learning outcomes among students.

The requested CSSG funding of $24,750 will enable Reel Guppy Outdoors to expand its successful, culturally responsive programming in Carpinteria, engage youth and families in environmental education and stewardship, and create a shared experience that enhances both learning and community well-being. This initiative builds upon strong partnerships with the Carpinteria Unified School District and aligns directly with the City's strategic goals around environmental sustainability, inclusion, youth engagement, and regional collaboration.

Scope of Work Continued (extra page, if needed):

Goal	Objective	Alignment with Carpinteria Strategic Priorities
1. Enhance Environmental Stewardship and Citizen Science Among Carpinteria Youth and Families	By May 2026, engage at least 175 participants in seven community-based outdoor events (4 beach clean-ups, 3 surf fishing days), and have demonstrated learning by through completed educational activity books and citizen science journals.	• Environmental Sustainability • Community Engagement & Education • Preserving Natural Character • Enhancing Quality of Life
2. Expand Access to Marine and Coastal Education for Underserved Youth and Spanish-Speaking Families	By the end of the program, provide outreach and education across all five Carpinteria schools (4 elementary, 1 middle, 1 high), and engage at least 20% of participants from migrant, Latino, or Spanish-speaking families.	• Equity & Inclusion • Education & Outreach • Youth Access to Recreation • Spanish-Speaking Community Support
3. Foster Career Exploration, Leadership, and Media Literacy Through Cross-Sector Collaboration	Partner with at least 2 local agencies/experts (e.g., NOAA and DFW Rangers) and Carpinteria Middle School's video class to produce and distribute at least 5 educational media shorts by May 2026 via SBTV and school bulletins.	• Community Partnerships • Youth Leadership & Career Exposure • Transparency via Public Media • Strengthening Regional Collaboration

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July 2025 - June 2026

Applications due July 31st, 2025 before 12:00 PM (PST)

1. APPLICANT / ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Applicant name: Santa Barbara County Trails Council

Phone number: [redacted] Email Address: [redacted]

Name of 501(c)(3) organization: Santa Barbara County Trails Council

Mailing address: PO Box 22352

City: Santa Barbara | State: CA | Zip Code 93121

Federal Tax Identification Number (Non-profit): [redacted]

Contact person/Title: Mark Wilkinson / Executive Director

Contact phone number (if different than above): _____

Contact email (if different than above): _____

2. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Annual organization budget for last year: $399,182 | ☐ Fiscal -or- Calendar ☑

*Amount of grant funds requested**: $6,000

*Must be a specific amount within $1,000 to $30,000

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3. PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

Please address the following **3** sections of evaluation criteria:

I. **Organizational Mission Statement & Alignment – (250 word maximum)**
   A. Provide your organizations mission statement (one or two sentences).
   B. Share how your mission statement and proposed project/initiatives aligns with community priorities.

We are requesting partial funding for a community asset mapping initiative to create an interactive online map of natural, cultural, and historic resources in Carpinteria and the surrounding area. This project is a foundational step in defining a path for the community's future growth and preservation.

Our "Explore Carpinteria" initiative, which is deeply rooted in community involvement, will use extensive public outreach and education (City Goal 1) to create an online map that catalogs the community's physical assets. These assets include natural heritage like parks, trails, and open spaces; cultural heritage like arts, museums, and cultural facilities; and built heritage like historic sites and landmarks. Bilingual outreach staff, working with our community partners, will collect data from residents and visitors.

With a focus on promoting responsible growth, supporting economic development, and preserving community identity (City Goal 2), we will explore how linking these distinctive assets to multiple modes of transportation can enhance outdoor experiences for both community members and visitors. This project will lay a foundation for demonstrating how Carpinteria benefits from the outdoor recreation economy and how local agencies and organizations can tap into those benefits.

The anticipated outcomes of this project include:

• A stronger, more connected community.
• A heightened awareness of Carpinteria's rich heritage.
• An enhanced sense of place and community pride.
• Increased economic vitality through visitor attraction and support for local businesses.

Our final deliverable is a large-format PDF map of Carpinteria that will be a tool for sharing information and promoting asset-based economic development.

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II. Community Impact – (250 word maximum)

A. Describe the impact your programs, activities, services, and/or initiatives will have on the community, including the segments of the community you reach, and the specific needs being met.

B. Describe your organization's past efforts and future plans to become more inclusive and expand your community impact.

Explore Carpinteria Initiative

The "Explore Carpinteria" initiative centers on community asset mapping, a process that identifies and visualizes the valuable resources within a community. These assets are important to community members, who aim to preserve, enhance, and further develop them.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:
The primary goals of this project are to:

1. Generate New Knowledge: Collect information about the natural, cultural, and historic resources in Carpinteria and its surrounding areas through extensive public outreach.

2. Collaborate with the Community: Organize and cooperate with a diverse network of individuals, community groups, agencies, businesses, and organizations.

3. Enhance Accessibility: Identify new connections linking community assets to various modes of transportation, including rail, bus, bicycle, and walking, to enhance outdoor experiences for both community members and visitors.

4. Demonstrate Economic Impact: Lay the groundwork to validate that spending related to outdoor recreation in the city and county significantly contributes to economic activity by attracting visitors and tourists, while supporting local jobs, wages, and tax revenues.

IMPACT AND BENEFITS:
This asset map will serve as an essential tool for residents, visitors, and community organizations. It will:

1. Strengthen Community: Increase connectivity between natural resources, cultural organizations, businesses, and the community.

2. Heighten Awareness: Improve understanding of Carpinteria's rich natural, cultural, and built heritage.

3. Enhance Sense of Place: Foster community pride and ownership.

4. Encourage Wellness: Identify more opportunities for residents to enjoy trails, parks, and open spaces.

5. Boost Economic Vitality: Attract visitors and support local businesses, which can increase overall economic activity.

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III. Organizational Information– (250 word maximum)

A. Describe your administrative and governance structure, including numbers of staff and volunteers.

B. Briefly describe your operating budget's current status, future outlook, and long-term financial viability, including earned income and private/government support.

The Santa Barbara County Trails Council (Trails Council) advocates for policies, programs, and projects that enhance outdoor recreation opportunities, inspire participation, and contribute to a vibrant local economy. Our focus on trails is one of the ways we foster a deep appreciation for the outdoors, empowering both current and future generations to connect with nature.

Founded in 1967, the Trails Council is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization managed by an 11-member Board of Directors, two of whom reside in Carpinteria. The Executive Director, Mark Wilkinson, also a resident of Carpinteria, is supported by three staff members who provide project assistance. Subject mater experts are hired as needed. Board members actively engage in fulfilling the organization's advocacy, projects, and programs. Each year, we involve over 100 volunteers in community outreach and hands-on projects.

As of July 07, 2025, Trails Council's net assets totaled $456,997.

Funding for the projects and programs supported by the Trails Council comes from a combination of grants and donations. Income from our brokerage accounts helps cover our recurring business expenses. With our 60th anniversary approaching in two years, we have a long track record of financial stability. While we remain optimistic about the future, we are also mindful of the challenges and new project opportunities we will face in the next five years.

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IV. Scope of Work

A. Detail how your organization plans to use the CSSG funds requested throughout the fiscal year. **Note:** Each proposed cost/expenditure requires a description.

Explore Carpinteria: Mapping Our Community's Assets

With $2000 in seed funding from the Morning Rotary Club of Carpinteria, the Santa Barbara County Trails Council is initiating "Explore Carpinteria," a new mapping project designed to celebrate and strengthen our community. Our goal is to create a map of Carpinteria's most treasured assets—the places and spaces that define who we are.

This isn't just any map; it's a community asset map. We'll be working hand in hand with a diverse network of individuals, community groups, agencies, businesses, and organizations to identify and catalog the natural, cultural, and historic resources that are most important to Carpinterians and visitors. We believe that by understanding what we have, we can better protect it, build upon it, and share it with others.

PHASE 1: Identifying Community Assets

The initial step involves gathering data on tangible natural, cultural, and built assets within Carpinteria Valley and the City of Carpinteria. While not part of the core project, we will collect information on intangible assets as it becomes available.

• Tangible Assets: These could include museums, historical sites, theaters, art centers, public art, cultural organizations, landmarks, and natural heritage sites like the Carpinteria Salt Marsh.
• Intangible Assets: These include the stories, traditions, cultural practices, and networks within the community that define its unique identity.

The "Explore Carpinteria" community asset mapping initiative, relies on extensive public outreach, education, and transparency (City Goal 1) to create an interactive online map cataloging the community's physical assets, including natural heritage (parks, trails, and open spaces), cultural heritage (arts, museums, and cultural facilities) and built heritage (historic sites, landmarks, and monuments). Bilingual outreach staff will collect data from residents and visitors in collaboration with our community partners. We will use various methods to collect data. The emphasis is on learning and sharing, not on auditing and counting.

• We will use online and in-person surveys and interviews to gather input from individuals, organizations, businesses, residents, and community groups.
• We will collect existing data from online resources, city staff, institutions, organizations, and historical records.
• We will host bilingual community-based mapping sessions where people can identify and share natural, cultural, and built assets.

The Trails Council team will catalog the collected information, which will then be displayed using ArcGIS tools to create an interactive online presentation. ArcGIS is a geospatial platform developed by Esri. The Trails Council uses it to visualize, analyze, manage, and share geographic information to create digital maps, print maps, and story maps. The Trails Council will share the data collected with the City for their use.

The Phase 1 deliverable is an interactive online map featuring markers or pins for places of interest. Clicking on a pin will display a pop-up card with information about the community asset.
Phase 1 Budget = $3000

Scope of Work Continued (extra page, if needed):

PHASE 2: Identifying Connections

With the natural, cultural, and built assets mapped, we can begin to look for connections between related and unrelated community assets. This kind of analysis might result in creating compounded benefits resulting from new collaborations or the creation of experiential walking trails that celebrate culture, history, and the arts, thereby growing the local economy. We will explore how linking these distinctive community assets to multiple modes of active transportation (hiking, biking, walking, jogging, and more) can enhance outdoor experiences for both community members and visitors. In addition to identifying new connections within Carpinteria, it will aid in identifying connections outside Carpinteria that promote economic growth while maintaining a small beachside town.

The Phase 2 deliverable is an interactive online map developed in Phase 1 with the addition of existing and proposed active transportation routes. Based on community input, we will show the existing connectivity between community assets and suggestions for new connections.

Phase 2 Budget = $2000

PHASE 3: Large format PDF map

Based on the content created in PHASES 1 and 2, we will create a large-format digital (PDF) map showcasing the community assets in the City of Carpinteria and its surrounding areas. The map will consolidate natural heritage like parks, trails, and open spaces; cultural heritage like arts, museums, and cultural facilities; and built heritage like historic sites and landmarks into an accessible resource. This resource will not only promote a stronger, more connected community and increase awareness of Carpinteria's rich heritage but also enhance your sense of place and community pride. We anticipate that the map will lead to initiatives that will increase economic vitality through attracting visitors and supporting local businesses.

The Phase 3 deliverable is a PDF, print-ready file for a large-format, 40" x 27" high-quality print map suitable for public display and individual use. The PDF map will be available for online viewing and distribution as well as third party printing.

Phase 3 Budget = $1000 (plus $2000 from the Morning Rotary Club of Carpinteria)

Thank you for the opportunity to apply for the Community Services Grant. The "Explore Carpinteria" mapping project represents a valuable investment in the community's environmental, social, and economic well-being. By providing a clear and comprehensive resource, the Santa Barbara County Trails Council aims to strengthen the connection between the community and its natural, cultural, and built environments, fostering stewardship, promoting healthy lifestyles, and supporting economic vitality for years to come.

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Applications due July 31st, 2025 before 12:00 PM (PST)

1. APPLICANT / ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Applicant name: Standing Together to End Sexual Assault

Phone number: [redacted] Email Address [redacted]

Name of 501(c)(3) organization: Standing Together to End Sexual Assault

Mailing address: 433 E Canon Perdido

City: Santa Barbara | State: CA | Zip Code 93101

Federal Tax Identification Number (Non-profit): [redacted]

Contact person/Title: Nestor Frausto / Associate Director

Contact phone number (if different than above): _____

Contact email (if different than above): _____

2. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Annual organization budget for last year: $1,300,583 | ☑ Fiscal -or- Calendar ☐

*Amount of grant funds requested**: $10,000

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3. PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

Please address the following **3** sections of evaluation criteria:

I. Organizational Mission Statement & Alignment – (250 word maximum)

A. Provide your organizations mission statement (one or two sentences).
B. Share how your mission statement and proposed project/initiatives aligns with community priorities.

Standing Together to End Sexual Assault (STESA) empowers people through healing and social change to eliminate all forms of sexual violence. We are committed to transforming lives by providing services and education to meet the needs of our diverse community.

Our mission statement and proposed project/initiatives aligns with the community priorities of Social Services. Our organization provides services to Carpinteria residents that are impacted by sexual assault. STESA's program goals are to mitigate the trauma of the sexual assault and build a survivor's resiliency. Survivors experience a range of physical and emotional distress from the traumatic experience. Sexual assault can lead to isolation and loss of power and control. The program adheres to the empowerment model, which aids clients in learning healthy coping mechanisms and beginning their healing journey from the trauma. We provide crisis intervention, advocacy, and accompaniments to survivors of sexual assault and their significant others. By providing a comprehensive continuum of services to respond to a sexual assault and its prevention through educating the community STESA focuses on needs of the community beyond the City's immediate scope.

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II. Community Impact – (250 word maximum)

A. Describe the impact your programs, activities, services, and/or initiatives will have on the community, including the segments of the community you reach, and the specific needs being met.

B. Describe your organization's past efforts and future plans to become more inclusive and expand your community impact.

Sexual assault does not discriminate based on age, gender, economic status, or social conditions. Sexual assault permeates our society, including sexual harassment. Research indicates that one in three women and one in six men will be sexually assaulted over their lifetimes. Youth have the highest likelihood of experiencing sexual assault. The National Violence Against Women Survey found that a total of 83% of rapes occur before the victim reaches 25 years. Sexual assault is traumatic for survivors and their loved ones. Studies show that at least 50% of rape survivors develop Rape Trauma Syndrome, a form of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, and at 30% experience at least one major depressive episode after the rape. Rape survivors are four times more than non-crime victims to contemplate suicide. STESA challenges the sexual violence myths and supports skill building, including boundary setting and assertiveness for the survivor, improving their ability to function, reducing isolation, and mitigating the impact of the sexual assault. All community members have a role to play in preventing sexual assault through community education. The program's target population is to all segment of the community specifically targeting human trafficking; children ages 13 and over; and underserved communities such as the Spanish speaking/immigrant community.

In the past efforts, our focus has been advertising and educating about our services to the community. Our future plans to become more inclusive and expand your community impact through relationship building with the Carpinteria Unified School District to provide Shifting Boundaries sessions to students 13 and older.

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III. Organizational Information– (250 word maximum)

A. Describe your administrative and governance structure, including numbers of staff and volunteers.

B. Briefly describe your operating budget's current status, future outlook, and long-term financial viability, including earned income and private/government support.

STESA's board of directors sets organizational policies and holds fiduciary responsibility. Each board member must participate in at least one committee (Personnel, Fund Development, Investment, Finance, Board Development). Board members serve as chairs of the committees. Board members lend their expertise to various committees based on their skills and interest. Board members are required to make a donation that is a stretch for their financial position but is not required to donate a specific amount. They are also expected to buy and sell tickets to fundraising events or participate in STESA's fundraising efforts.

STESA staff consist of 11 employees: Executive Director, Associate Director, Community Engagement Manager, Office Manager, Special Populations Coordinator, Crisis Intervention Coordinator, SART Coordinator, Client Services Coordinator, Community Action Coordinator, Administrative Assistant, and Executive Assistant. STESA currently has 10 volunteers. The number fluctuates depending on the local University and is higher when the school is in session.

Our operating budget's current status is a balanced budget and using the income it generates to fund the organizational expenses for the services it provides. The future outlook of the organization is one that will focus on providing more services to the service area and will need the financial support of community members and the communities that they serve. The long-term financial viability of STESA allows it to continue to deliver our mission because of sustainable revenue, cost control, and reserves. The organization's income derives from both private and government support.

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IV. Scope of Work

A. Detail how your organization plans to use the CSSG funds requested throughout the fiscal year. **Note:** Each proposed cost/expenditure requires a description.

The CSSG funds requested will be used to support our Crisis Intervention Program throughout the fiscal year.

STESA's program goals are to mitigate the trauma of the sexual assault and build a survivor's resiliency. Survivors experience a range of physical and emotional distress from the traumatic experience. Sexual assault can lead to isolation and loss of power and control. The program adheres to the empowerment model, which aids clients in learning healthy coping mechanisms and beginning their healing journey from the trauma. STESA staff challenges the sexual violence myths and supports skill building, including boundary setting and assertiveness for the survivor, improving their ability to function, reducing isolation, and mitigating the impact of the sexual assault.

STESA's Crisis Intervention Program offers survivors of sexual assault, their families, and friends a 24-hour hotline, case management, advocacy, accompaniment, and information and community referrals. STESA is a first responder for the Sexual Assault Response Team to support and accompany a survivor of sexual assault at the medical-legal forensic examination. The Crisis Intervention Program serves children ages 13 years and older to the elderly. Services are available to all segments of the community regardless of their ability to pay, particularly low-income individuals and families, the unhoused, and persons with disabilities. The program ensures the continuity of care for survivors of sexual assault, their families, and friends by providing a holistic approach to service delivery.

Program services include:

Call-in Counseling: Counseling without an appointment 24/7 over the phone through the hotline, in-person, or virtually. Clients process feelings, discuss medical and legal options with a counselor, discuss their sexual assault experience, learn about what sexual violence is and its traumatic effects, and explore coping mechanisms. Clients contact the 24- hour hotline to discuss a recent sexual assault, from unwanted sexual comments in the workplace, intimate partner violence involving rape, and childhood sexual abuse.

Scope of Work Continued (extra page, if needed):

Short-term Counseling Services: Ongoing in-person or virtual counseling for up to ten sessions. Clients process feelings, discuss medical and legal options with a counselor, discuss their sexual assault experience, learn about what sexual violence is and its traumatic effects, and explore coping mechanisms.

Accompaniment Services: STESA provides an in-person response to accompany clients to sexual assault-related appointments. STESA must respond to medical-legal service requests within 30 minutes, 24/7. These requests for services may include medical-related, injury follow-up with a doctor, legal such as a detective follow-up interview, or meeting with their school administrators.

Advocacy Services: STESA addresses any barriers to services by intervening with other organizations or individuals on behalf of a client to achieve a particular goal or result desired by the client or to effect a change in a system.

Case Management: The Crisis Intervention Program staff must follow up with clients within 72 hours or sooner, a standard practice within the field of sexual assault. Case management services adhere to the principles of the empowerment model. The empowerment model centers the client to set goals and direction of their case management plan to regain control of their decision-making. Program staff coordinate the delivery of services with community partners and address any barriers to service.

Client Emergency Services: STESA provides emergency assistance to mitigate the financial consequences of a sexual assault, such as loss of income. Survivors of a sexual assault may be eligible for rental/utility assistance, transportation (gas cards), and food (grocery store gift cards). The goal of temporary emergency assistance is to stabilize the client while long-term solutions are explored.

Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) Response: Crisis Intervention Program includes the 24-hour emergency in-person response to the Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) to support survivors of sexual assault through the legal and medical collection of a forensic exam. After the medical-legal examination, the survivor of the sexual assault is assigned to a specific case Printed manager that will provide follow-up and case management services to address questions related to the forensic examination and coordinate services with community partners. All services are available in English and Spanish regardless of clients' ability to pay.

STESA's office hours are Monday to Friday, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Some services are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, in-person, via a virtual platform, or over the phone through our 24-hour hotline. STESA is located at 433 East Canon Perdido Street in Santa Barbara.

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Applications due July 31st, 2025 before 12:00 PM (PST)

1. APPLICANT / ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Applicant name: HELP of Carpinteria

Phone number: [redacted] Email Address: [redacted]

Name of 501(c)(3) organization: HELP of Carpinteria

Mailing address: PO Box 793

City: Carpinteria | State: CA | Zip Code 93014

Federal Tax Identification Number (Non-profit): [redacted]

Contact person/Title: Judy Goodbody / Executive Director

Contact phone number (if different than above): [redacted]

Contact email (if different than above): [redacted]

2. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Annual organization budget for last year: 59,600 | ☐ Fiscal -or- Calendar ☑

*Amount of grant funds requested**: $15,000

*Must be a specific amount within $1,000 to $30,000

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3. PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

Please address the following **3** sections of evaluation criteria:

I. Organizational Mission Statement & Alignment – (250 word maximum)

A. Provide your organizations mission statement (one or two sentences).
B. Share how your mission statement and proposed project/initiatives aligns with community priorities.

HELP is an all-volunteer non-profit organization providing door-to-door transportation service for non-driving Carpinteria residents who do not have other means of transportation or who find that public transportation cannot meet their needs.

HELP drives to any destination within Carpinteria city limits, and to Santa Barbara for medical appointments and social services. A donation for service is encouraged, but no one is denied transportation for lack of ability to pay.

HELP is the only transportation provider in Carpinteria that focuses on the specific needs of our growing senior population. HELP allows seniors to remain independent in their homes long after they have given up their driving privileges. Many Carpinteria seniors live on fixed or limited incomes, and HELP is an affordable way for them to carry on their active lifestyle in Carpinteria.

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II. Community Impact – (250 word maximum)

A. Describe the impact your programs, activities, services, and/or initiatives will have on the community, including the segments of the community you reach, and the specific needs being met.

B. Describe your organization's past efforts and future plans to become more inclusive and expand your community impact.

In 2024, HELP provided 5,597 rides to more than 600 Carpinteria residents who had no other means of transportation. 34 volunteer drivers and 27 volunteer dispatchers make it possible for HELP to provide this service with such a small budget.

HELP owns three 4-door sedans to comfortably transport frail elderly to the grocery store, senior lunch program, visit with friends, hair and nail appointments, or anywhere they want to go in Carpinteria, with a requested donation of $2 roundtrip ($4 for those living in the outlying areas of Carpinteria Valley). Rides to Santa Barbara are for doctor appointments and social services, with a requested donation of $10 roundtrip ($15 for those living in the outlying areas of Carpinteria Valley).

HELP serves ambulatory seniors and disabled, and we work with Easy Lift to provide transportation to our wheelchair bound residents. 99% of HELP riders are seniors, many of whom are frail and unable to take public transportation. There are no age or income requirements to use HELP, only that they be a non-driving Carpinteria resident.

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III. Organizational Information– (250 word maximum)

A. Describe your administrative and governance structure, including numbers of staff and volunteers.

B. Briefly describe your operating budget's current status, future outlook, and long-term financial viability, including earned income and private/government support.

HELP is governed by a nine person volunteer Board of Directors who meet quarterly. Judy Goodbody has served as a part time Executive Director since 1998. She is an independent contractor who manages the day-to-day operation of HELP, and is paid on a 1099-NEC with no benefits provided by HELP. In 2024, HELP had 66 people who volunteer as drivers and dispatchers.

The 2025 annual budget is $66,210. There was a significant increase as a result of an office relocation requiring payment of monthly office rent of $350. For the first 35 years, HELP was blessed to have had office space donated by Michael Towbes, and that the sale of that property HELP was invited to move into GranVida Senior Living where rent was forgiven. In February, GranVida no longer had the space available for HELP and we moved our office to the Carpinteria Community Church where we now pay rent.

Donations for service pays for 25% of the cost of providing the transportation. The remaining funds are generously donated by individuals, Carpinteria Lions and Rotary, Montecito Bank & Trust, Wood-Claeyssens Foundation and the City of Carpinteria. Each year the Outhwaite Foundation funds the depreciation of our three cars, and those funds are used to purchase a new car every three to four years.

In 2003 HELP's Board established a Board Restricted Fund with a bequest gift, and created policies to secure the financial future of HELP. The income in HELP's Board Restricted Fund are reinvested for growth and stability.

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IV. Scope of Work

A. Detail how your organization plans to use the CSSG funds requested throughout the fiscal year. **Note:** Each proposed cost/expenditure requires a description.

HELP has increased the number of riders going into Santa Barbara by utilizing HELP's third car as the Santa Barbara Overflow car. By doing this, we are no longer turning away requests for rides to doctor appointments due to capacity issues. The cost of operating and maintaining three vehicles in 2024 was $10,664, and insurance was $13,844. We anticipate increases in both those categories, in addition to adding $4,200 office rent, which is a 12% increase in our overall budget expenses for 2025.

HELP appreciates and depends on the ongoing support of the City of Carpinteria.

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Applications due July 31st, 2025 before 12:00 PM (PST)

1. APPLICANT / ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Applicant name: Therapy Dogs of Santa Barbara

Phone number: [redacted] Email Address: [redacted]

Name of 501(c)(3) organization: Therapy Dogs of Santa Barbara

Mailing address: PO Box 3534

City: Santa Barbara | State: CA | Zip Code 93130

Federal Tax Identification Number (Non-profit): [redacted]

Contact person/Title: Jody Williams / Director of Development

Contact phone number (if different than above): _____

Contact email (if different than above): _____

2. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Annual organization budget for last year: 183,500 | ☐ Fiscal -or- Calendar ☑

*Amount of grant funds requested**: 5,000

*Must be a specific amount within $1,000 to $30,000

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Our mission is to empower people to live more fulfilling lives through the human-animal bond. We achieve this through in-person and virtual visits with our certified therapy dogs in a variety of settings, serving a diverse range of populations.

The programs outlined in this proposal are fully dedicated to enhancing the well-being of Carpinteria residents, with a primary focus on youth and meaningful engagement with their families and educators. Through ongoing partnerships with local elementary schools, we offer multiple opportunities for students, parents, and teachers to connect with our certified therapy dogs—both during the school day and at community-centered events. Whether it's a structured literacy or mindfulness session, or a casual meet-and-greet at a school function, each interaction is designed to uplift, comfort, and foster emotional connection. Our goal is to create a positive ripple effect throughout the Carpinteria community—beginning with children and extending to their families and support networks—through the healing presence of therapy dogs.

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In the 2025–26 fiscal year, we will continue partnerships with Aliso Elementary and Canalino Elementary, providing two signature programs: ARF! (Animals + Reading = Fun!) and Wag Well Mindfulness. Each program is tailored to specific grade levels to ensure maximum developmental impact, helping students build literacy, emotional resilience, and self-regulation skills. Alongside these structured programs, we offer uplifting therapy dog visits throughout the year during events such as book fairs, mental health awareness month, back-to-school nights, and family movie nights. These visits are relaxed and welcoming, allowing students, parents, and staff to interact with our certified therapy dog teams in a joyful, low-pressure setting. By participating in a wide range of school activities, we ensure all students—regardless of age, background, or need—have multiple opportunities to experience the calming, healing presence of therapy dogs.

We proudly provide all programs and visits free of charge, ensuring equitable access across all demographics. Our services are sustained through generous grants, private donors, and corporate sponsors. We are firmly committed to inclusion and accessibility, never denying services based on ability to pay. One of the most powerful elements of our therapy dog program is its universality—the connection between a child and a dog requires no shared language, only shared warmth. A soft snuggle, a gentle kiss, or a loving gaze from a therapy dog can uplift spirits, calm anxiety, and create meaningful moments of emotional connection for everyone we serve.

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We are a small but mighty organization led by two full-time and two part-time staff members, an engaged Board of Directors, and a record-breaking 55 certified Therapy Dog Teams. Our Executive Director, Carey Bradshaw, brings a strong background in business and marketing. Previously, a long-time volunteer and board member, she now oversees operations, outreach, volunteer coordination, and administration.

Our Director of Wellness Programs, Karen Lee Stevens, is the organization's founder and a certified mindfulness instructor through Mindful Schools, MindUP for Life, and the Veda Center. With 25 years of leadership experience, she brings deep institutional knowledge and a passion for expanding our Wag Well program across Santa Barbara County.

They are joined by our Director of Development Jody Williams, a Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE) who manages fundraising, marketing, and communications.

Our Board of Directors includes local educators and business professionals, many of whom also serve as active Therapy Dog Teams. We currently support 55 volunteer teams—the largest in our history—and are steadily growing by approximately three new teams per month. Each therapy dog must pass a rigorous 14-point evaluation, and human volunteers working in schools undergo LiveScan background checks and TB tests through our long-standing partnership with Partners in Education.

Our volunteers are the heart of our programs, delivering impactful, healing interactions across schools and community events. With a growing, well-trained team, we are well-positioned to meet our impact goals and bring the joy and comfort of therapy dog visits to our community.

2025 marks a significant year of growth for us, both financially and operationally. With expansion into Ventura County and the East Coast, we are doubling our operating budget for the 2025–26 fiscal year. Our funding base is strong and growing, with annual donor support increasing by 30% year over year. Additional revenue comes from a bequest, corporate partnerships, renewed annual grants, and a five-year contract with Ventura County to support local operations.

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A. Detail how your organization plans to use the CSSG funds requested throughout the fiscal year. **Note:** Each proposed cost/expenditure requires a description.

This grant request is for $5,000 to help support the cost of providing our youth education programs and visits free of charge to Aliso and Canalino Elementary Schools for the 2025-26 school year.

Grant funds would be allocated as follows:
ARF! Program Operation Costs - $2,500
Wag Well Program Operation Costs - $2,500

Costs for both programs include scheduling and administration costs. Wag Well is considerably more expensive for us to operate as it includes Instructor staff salary and material costs associated with the curriculum. We have other funding allocated to make -up the remainder of the programs costs.

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1. APPLICANT / ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Applicant name: Ryan Wong

Phone number: [redacted] Email Address: [redacted]

Name of 501(c)(3) organization: Tidy Seas

Mailing address: 7407 San Carpino Drive

City: Goleta | State: CA | Zip Code 93117

Federal Tax Identification Number (Non-profit): [redacted]

Contact person/Title: Ryan Wong / Chairman

Contact phone number (if different than above): [redacted]

Contact email (if different than above): _____

2. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Annual organization budget for last year: 12,000 | ☐ Fiscal -or- Calendar ☑

*Amount of grant funds requested**: 30,000

*Must be a specific amount within $1,000 to $30,000

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A. Provide your organizations mission statement (one or two sentences).
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Tidy Seas is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to preserving our local environment by removing trash and debris from coastal and urban areas while educating and empowering communities of all ages to take part in environmental stewardship.

Alignment with Community Priorities:

Founded in 2024, Tidy Seas aligns closely with the City of Carpinteria's 2025 – 2027 Strategic Plan. Our work directly supports city goals around environmental protection, youth development, civic engagement, and equity. We host community cleanups, deliver environmental education, and offer inclusive, bilingual programming, all while helping preserve the beaches, parks, and public spaces that define Carpinteria's character.

As someone born and raised in Santa Barbara County, I founded Tidy Seas to give back to the communities that raised me and to keep it clean for the future generations. Carpinteria holds a special place in my heart—its deep sense of connection and environmental pride reflect exactly what Tidy Seas stands for.

On July 7th, in partnership with the City and the Carpinteria Junior Lifeguards, we led a beach cleanup involving over 200 youth. Together, we removed 342 pounds of trash while delivering hands-on environmental education and a sense of civic responsibility. Our collaboration with Girls Inc. of Carpinteria is another example of how we center local youth, equity, and community building in our work. We also have a clean up planned for September 25th at 6pm with the City Of Carpinteria, to celebrate their 60th Anniversary.

These programs reflect the City's strategic priorities in action—maintaining Carpinteria's coastal charm, fostering civic pride, and making environmental engagement accessible to everyone.

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Since launching in early 2024, Tidy Seas has removed more than 60,000 pounds of trash and debris from beaches, parks, and urban areas across Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties. In Carpinteria, our efforts help restore habitats, protect wildlife, and keep popular areas like Carpinteria State Beach, the bluffs, and community trails clean, safe, and welcoming.

Our work goes beyond cleanups—we create connection. Every event we host is free and inclusive, providing multilingual access, cleanup gear, refreshments, and environmental education materials. Our programming is designed to empower youth, welcome Spanish-speaking families, and engage older adults—all while fostering a shared sense of pride and ownership in local spaces.

In July, we worked with the Carpinteria Junior Lifeguards to engage over 200 local youth in a beach cleanup and environmental lesson. That same month, we partnered with Girls Inc. of Carpinteria to lead another youth-focused cleanup, building leadership and connection in a hands-on, place-based way. We are scheduled to Do another clean up with the city of Carpinteria on September 24th celebrating their 60th anniversary.

As a lifelong local, I am deeply committed to making sure our programs reflect Carpinteria's values: care for the coast, civic participation, and inclusive community spirit. This grant will help us build on that momentum by expanding educational outreach, offering youth leadership training, and launching neighborhood-based initiatives that meet residents where they are.

The result? A cleaner environment, stronger connections across generations, and a lasting sense of shared stewardship—exactly what Carpinteria's Strategic Plan envisions.

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Tidy Seas is a grassroots 501(c)(3) nonprofit based in South Santa Barbara County. We were founded in 2024 to protect the environment and bring local communities together through hands-on action, education, and inclusive outreach. Our work is entirely volunteer-powered, led by a dedicated team and supported by more than 60 active community members.

Our leadership includes an Executive Director, Volunteer Coordinator, and Program Leads who manage cleanups, partnerships, curriculum development, and communications. Our Board of Directors brings expertise in nonprofit governance, environmental science, education, and local civic engagement—ensuring sound oversight and alignment with community needs.

As a Santa Barbara County native, I started Tidy Seas to give back to the places that shaped me. Carpinteria is one of those places—a tight-knit coastal town where people care deeply about their land, their neighbors, and their environment. We're proud to contribute to that spirit by offering consistent, high-impact, and accessible programming for all residents.

In our first year, we operated on a modest $12,000 budget funded by individual donors, local sponsorships, small merchandise sales, and in-kind contributions. Despite limited resources, we've mobilized hundreds of volunteers and removed over 60,000 pounds of trash.

We're now at a pivotal point—ready to grow, deepen our Carpinteria partnerships, and build long-term sustainability. This funding will help us scale with integrity, staying rooted in community while building a lasting model of environmental and civic engagement.

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With $30,000 in CSSG funding, Tidy Seas will significantly expand our environmental programming in Carpinteria. This includes more frequent and better-resourced cleanups, youth leadership development, bilingual outreach, and place-based education that brings residents together to protect and celebrate their environment.

Proposed Uses & Budget Breakdown:

Cleanup Events & Supplies
Amount: $7,000
Description: Trash grabbers, gloves, reusable vests, buckets, safety signage, refillable water stations, and branded gear for recurring cleanups in Carpinteria’ s beaches, parks, and trails.

Youth & Environmental Education
Amount: $6,000
Description: Design, printing, and distribution of bilingual curriculum, activity books, signage, and youth environmental engagement materials.

Community Equity & Access
Amount: $5,000
Description: Translation and interpretation services, Spanish-language outreach materials, and inclusive volunteer orientation and communication tools.

Volunteer Engagement & Recognition
Amount: $4,000
Description: Branded volunteer gear (shirts, hats), event snacks and hydration, and volunteer appreciation incentives to encourage continued participation.

Neighborhood & School Outreach
Amount: $4,000
Description: Community booths, door-to-door outreach, school visits, youth ambassador stipends, and participation in Carpinteria events to build awareness and relationships.

Leadership & Capacity Building
Amount: $2,000
Description: Youth leadership workshops, peer-led cleanup roles, and small stipends for local interns or students to support environmental programs.

Impact Tracking & Evaluation
Amount: $2,000
Description: Tools and software to track cleanup data, volunteer participation, demographics, and generate impact reports for partners and the city.

Total Requested: $30,000

This investment will help Tidy Seas grow with Carpinteria—not just in scale, but in connection. From the bluffs to the beach to the neighborhoods in between, this grant will empower our community to care for the land we love—together.

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1. APPLICANT / ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Applicant name: United Boys and & Club of Santa Barbara County (UBGC)

Phone number: [redacted] Email Address: [redacted]

Name of 501(c)(3) organization: _____

Mailing address: PO Box 1485

City: Santa Barbara | State: CA | Zip Code 93102

Federal Tax Identification Number (Non-profit): [redacted]

Contact person/Title: Taylor Swan / Chief Development Officer

Contact phone number (if different than above): _____

Contact email (if different than above): _____

2. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Annual organization budget for last year: $5,997,216 | ☐ Fiscal -or- Calendar ☑

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Our mission is to enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens. UBGC is dedicated to ensuring that all of our community's children and teens have access to quality enrichment programs and services that enhance their lives and shape positive and successful futures.

Our Carpinteria Club, established in 1967, provides high-quality, out-of-school programming to youth experiencing socioeconomic hardship. We focus on building self-esteem, academic skills, and life skills to close the opportunity gap and help every child succeed.

We offer daily academic support and homework help programs offered to all Club members. Grant funds will support trained staff who deliver academic initiatives, including a targeted reading program and onsite library developed by Club Director, Diana Ornelas, a credentialed educator. In 2024, we served 397 youth members at the Carpinterial Club with an average daily attendance of 48 members. We aim to serve 400 youth in 2025.

This initiative directly aligns with the City of Carpinteria's CSSG priorities. It supports youth-focused services that extend beyond the City's immediate scope, promotes educational equity, and enhances access to social and human services. UBGC also fosters collaboration with families, schools, and community partners to support the City Council's goals of inclusion, outreach, and improved youth services.

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UBGC's Carpinteria Club works to address the needs of our community's youth, especially those who face socioeconomic challenges. In Carpinteria, 64% of our members qualify for free/reduced-price meals, and many face challenges such as housing instability or trauma. These challenges have been compounded by pandemic-era learning loss, particularly for low-income students.

Our programs—including daily academic support, Triple Play (physical activity), college and career readiness for teens, and healthy snacks and dinners—offer essential structure and opportunity outside of school. The impact of academic programming is that students have out of school support to catch up in school after a difficult period of isolation due to the pandemic.

UBGC is committed to inclusion and equity. We provide high-quality programs regardless of income or ability. Membership is just $40 annually, with full scholarships available. We partner with school districts and organizations like Transition House to serve youth in public housing and shelters. We offer transportation to and from the Club and Spanish interpretation for families, eliminating barriers to access.

About 60% of our staff are bilingual (English/Spanish), and many are former Club members who reflect the communities we serve. All staff are trained annually in social-emotional development and trauma-informed care through Boys & Girls Clubs of America (BGCA).

Our Club staff, youth members, and members' families are being heavily impacted by the ICE raids in our region. Many of our youth members are children of immigrants and the majority of our members are part of the Latinx community. Some of our youth members have been personally impacted and have witnessed their family members, neighbors, and friends detailed by ICE. They haven't heard where their parents were taken or been able to speak to them to ensure they are safe. Our Club staff is doing everything in our power to protect our youth members, provide needed resources to the families we serve, and provide a safe space to our community. We are modifying transportation to ensure the safety of our members, and reduce the anxiety of parents who are afraid to drop off their children at our Clubs (many are living in terror of leaving their homes). We are going door to door to check on members who are not showing up

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UBGC is led by a CEO and governed by a Board of Directors. We operate four primary Club sites and two school-based locations, all overseen by a central headquarters in Santa Barbara that manages administration, fundraising, and operations. Each Club is led by a dedicated Club Director and supported by trained staff. UBGC employs 33 full-time and 83 part-time staff and is supported by 337 volunteers annually.

Our 2025 operating budget is $6,228,912. As of 06/30/25, we have raised $2,196,236. While this amount is less than half of our budget, it is in alignment with projections. Our revenue is not linear. We have our biggest fundraisers in the second half of the year and historically receive most of our donations in the fourth quarter, while our first two quarters are historically slower.

UBGC maintains a strong and diverse funding model that ensures financial sustainability through a mix of earned income, private contributions, and public support. Key revenue sources include:

Earned Income: Camp Whittier, a UBGC-operated outdoor education site, and Club facility rentals are projected to generate $1.45 million in 2025. We also collect modest program fees.

Grants and Foundations: Working with The Write Team, we anticipate raising $1.2 million through foundation and government grants. Major funders include the Santa Barbara Foundation, The Wood-Claeyssens Foundation, The Barker Foundation, the Bragg Foundation, and local government entities.

Individual Donors: Through events, campaigns, and direct appeals, we expect to raise over $1.3 million from individual donors in 2025.

For the longer term, UBGC is focusing on continuing to build our recently established endowment, which is currently at $6 million. We plan to grow it to $15 million within 5 years. With expectations of a 5% return on a $15 million endowment, the $750,000 income would fully cover all administrative costs for our organization and allow future fundraising to go directly to programs.

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We are requesting $25,000 in CSSG funds. It will all be used towards staffing. Our Carpinteria Club budget for 2025 is $458,546 and the largest cost is staffing at $251,829.

Agenda Section: Other Business
Agenda Item No.: 9
Council Meeting Date: September 8, 2025

City of Carpinteria

COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT

ITEM FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Approval of a Special Event Permit Application for the 2025 California Avocado Festival, scheduled to run from Friday, October 3, 2025, through Sunday, October 5, 2025, including designation of the event footprint as a public park and authorizing expenditures for law enforcement, temporary traffic control and street cleaning services.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

1. Approve the Special Event Permit for the 2025 California Avocado Festival pursuant Carpinteria Municipal Code Section §10.68, Special Events.
2. Designate the area of the event footprint as a public park during the hours of operation and approve its use for the event pursuant to Carpinteria Municipal Code §12.24.022, Permits – Special Public Park Use; and
3. Authorize expenditures for law enforcement, temporary traffic control and street cleaning services as described in this Staff Report.

Sample Motion: I move to:

1. Approve the Special Event Permit for the 2025 California Avocado Festival pursuant Carpinteria Municipal Code Section §10.68, Special Events.
2. Designate the area of the event footprint as a public park during the hours of operation and approve its use for the event pursuant to Carpinteria Municipal Code §12.24.022, Permits – Special Public Park Use; and
3. Authorize expenditures for law enforcement, temporary traffic control and street cleaning services as described in this Staff Report.

(This motion requires a roll call vote.)

BACKGROUND

The California Avocado Festival (Event) is an annual community event operated by California Avocado Festival, Inc.[1] (Applicant) in cooperation with the City of Carpinteria and held over the first weekend in October. The Event is one of the largest free festivals in California, drawing thousands of attendees to the City's downtown each day of the Event.

The Event's beneficial economic impact to the community has been discussed by the City Council in previous years in the context of the City's in-kind and direct costs for support. One aspect to the economic benefit recognized in the past has been the opportunity of fundraising for local non-profit organizations. Another is the long-term benefit of promoting the community as a safe, family friendly place to visit. Further, anecdotal feedback from the business community suggests that the event serves to boost sales for certain categories of business such as restaurants, bars and retail, and generates increased transient occupancy tax revenue during the event.

The purpose of this agenda matter is for the City Council to consider approving a Special Event Permit for the Applicant to operate the 2025 California Avocado Festival. Related to this approval is an allowance for the event to be conducted, in part, in public rights-of-way, and for the Application to sell and serve alcoholic beverages on public property. Finally, the approval, as recommended by staff, includes authorizing expenditures from City funds in order to pay for a portion of the costs associated with operation of the Event including the provision of law enforcement services, temporary traffic control and post-Event street cleaning services.

DISCUSSION

The Special Event Permit Application, as shown in Attachment A, proposes the Event operate from Friday, October 3, 2025, to Sunday, October 5, 2025. On Friday, October 3, the event is proposed to operate from 1:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. On Saturday, October 4, the event is proposed to operate from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. and on Sunday, October 5, from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. These hours are a change from recent prior year Event hours. Specifically, the Event would run one (1) hour later on Friday and one-half (1/2) hour later on Sunday.

The proposed Event footprint, which has been the same for many years, includes Linden Avenue between Carpinteria Avenue to the north, Sixth Street to the south, and portions of intersecting streets within the Event footprint area. The Event footprint also includes the Carpinteria Arts Center courtyard. The Event layout map can be found as Attachment B. Linden Avenue between Carpinteria Avenue and 6th Street would be closed on the morning of Thursday, October 2, for Event set-up and is expected to be reopened to vehicular traffic late Sunday night, October 5.

[1] As of September 5, 2023, the entity is in good standing with the State Franchise Tax Board and is exempt from tax under Revenue and Taxation Code (R&TC) Section 23701(f).

For electric power sources, the Applicant would provide most of its own power via portable power generators. For sanitary facilities, Applicant would provide portable hand washing and urinal/toilet facilities and janitorial services. The City public restrooms at Parking Lot #1 (Ninth Street) and Parking Lot #3 (Fifth Street) would be closed, all day/night, during the Event.

The Applicant is requesting for alcoholic beverage sales and serving to be allowed in a subpart, "Designated Alcohol Area", area of the Event footprint (See Attachment B). The City has historically accommodated this request by acting to declare the Event footprint a public park for the duration of the Event and authorizing the conduct of the Event, including 24-hour occupancy/use and alcohol sales, pursuant Carpinteria Municipal Code §12.24.022, Permits – Special Public Park Use.

The applicant's Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) license application is consistent with the Special Event Permit Application. Hours of operation that are proposed for alcoholic beverage sales and serving are from 1:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. on Friday, from 11:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, and from 11:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Sunday. These hours reflect a change from recent past years by extending alcohol sales by 15 minutes on each day.

The Special Event Permit Application is also requesting law enforcement services, and temporary traffic control and street cleaning services from the Public Works Department. These service requests are consistent with prior Event requests and City approvals. The City has budgeted up to $15,000 for law enforcement services. The number of deputies and their schedule is determined annually by the Sheriff's Office working in cooperation with the Applicant. Law Enforcement costs that exceed the City's budgeted amount are paid by the Applicant. This year's total law enforcement services cost is estimated to be $21,000. This is similar to last year's $21,479 cost for law enforcement services, of which City paid $15,000.

The Applicant proposes to provide private security guard patrol in the festival footprint during the event and overnight. Such service is in addition to law and code enforcement services patrol provided by the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Department and the Community Development Department Code Compliance Division, respectively.

The estimated total cost of temporary traffic control and street cleaning services is $17,183.00. This includes maintenance staff overtime ($2,508.63), forklift rental ($1,400), flatbed rental ($3,600), and sidewalk cleaning ($9,675). These hard costs would be allocated from the Gas Tax Fund for the temporary traffic control and Measure A Fund for the street cleaning services. Other costs, valued at approximately $3,031.95, reflect Street Maintenance workers regular time and administrative staff time for review/processing of the Event application for City Council consideration.

The Public Works Department, Community Development Department Code Compliance Division, Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Department, and Carpinteria-Summerland Fire Protection District coordinated with the applicant in developing the event action plan

(EAP). The EAP is a central document in managing the emergency response to an incident. The EAP was prepared by the Carpinteria-Summerland Fire Protection District as the lead agency of incident command. Prior to and each morning during Event operation, the above participating agency representatives and Applicant representatives will meet to review pertinent preparation and response matters.

POLICY CONSISTENCY

The proposed approval of a permit to conduct the annual Avocado Festival, as proposed and conditioned, can be found consistent with various City policies, including, but not limited to, those concerning promotion of the local economy and public health and safety.

A. Economic Vitality: The Avocado Festival was established in 1986. For many years it was run by the Carpinteria Valley Chamber of Commerce and today is operated by a dedicated local non-profit organization. The event is intended to support local service organizations and the economy by promoting the community and local agriculture in a positive light and providing a context for fundraising.

B. Public Health and Safety: The City has many policies and regulations concerning public safety that are considered and implemented through the Special Event Permit process and operation of the annual Avocado Festival. Provisions that are taken to protect public health and safety include, but are not limited to:

    1. Mandatory Food Safety Meeting and Inspections- The Applicant facilitates an annual meeting with the Santa Barbara County Public Health Department in order to advise event food vendors on food safety requirements for outdoors. Health inspectors visit each food vendor booth prior to serving food to the public.

    2. Mandatory Alcoholic Beverage Servers Training- All volunteers that serve alcoholic beverages are required to participate in the State of California ABC server training. The server training is intended to minimize public intoxication and violations of alcohol regulations.

    3. Event Security- The Applicant is responsible for providing qualified private event security services.

    4. Public Safety- The City and Applicant cooperatively pay for special event law enforcement services provided by the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Department. An event safety area that is operated by the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Department, Carpinteria-Summerland Fire District, and trained volunteers, provides public safety information and also serves as a central location for paramedic/emergency medical services and lost-and-found.

5. Hours of Operation- The Applicant must operate the event that fits with the character and interests of the Carpinteria community. For recurring events, the organizer must make adjustments as needed in order to improve the event in meeting the expectations of the City and the community. Hours of operation, entertainment, vendors, and other aspects of event operations must be reviewed by City staff for public health and safety requirements. Also, event rules are reviewed for the incorporation of the prohibition of animals (except for legally registered service animals and emotional support animals), smoking, and other conduct determined to be inconsistent with the Carpinteria Municipal Code. The Special Event Permit requires the Event rules to be posted at all entrances.

6. Controlling Alcoholic Beverage Sales/Consumption- The City Council may allow alcoholic beverage sales and serving in the event footprint area by declaring the Event footprint a public park and authorizing the Event pursuant Carpinteria Municipal Code Section §12.24.022, which, in part, allows for nighttime use and the serving and consumption of alcoholic beverages where approved as a part of a Special Event Permit. Carpinteria Municipal Code Section 10.68.010 defines a special event as including any event in a public park where regulated alcoholic beverages are to be consumed. ABC would then issue a permit to the event subject to conditions and/or restrictions on the sale and serving of alcoholic beverages including defining the Alcohol Sales Permit footprint area and limiting the hours of sale.

7. Sanitary Facilities, Storm Water Pollution Prevention, and Recycling-

    - Sanitary Facilities- Portable hand washing and urinal/toilet sanitary facilities and janitorial services are required to be provided by the event organizer.

    - Storm Water Pollution Prevention- Best management practices are required to be implemented at existing storm drain inlets within and adjacent to the event.

    - Recycling- Recyclables are required to be segregated from the event's solid waste stream. Vendors are prohibited from using non-recyclable, plastic take-out food containers. The Applicant is also required to instruct vendors to avoid distribution of plastic-filmed bags and to document and report solid waste stream and recycling diversion amounts.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Should the Council approve the permit as proposed, the City's would contribute $15,000 for Sheriff Support Services provided during the festival, $17,183 Public Works related hard costs (cost not otherwise incurred), and $3,031.95 in soft cost (staff time for work conducted during normal hours of operation). At the Regular City Council Meeting of June 23, 2025, City Council requested financial reports for the festival. The Applicant has submitted Profit & Loss statements in summary and detail format that are provided as Attachment C. A supplemental letter from the event organizer is provided as Attachment D.
Sufficient funds were anticipated and are budgeted for in the Fiscal Year 2025/26 Budget under 205-431-5536 – [Gas Tax Fund] and 215-431-5302 – [Measure A Fund], to pay the Event costs.

LEGAL AND RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Approval of the Special Event Permit Application results in the footprint of the event being designated as a public park and allows for the sale and serving of food and alcoholic beverages, and public occupancy of the space during designated nighttime hours.

OPTIONS

1. Approve the Special Event Permit for the 2025 California Avocado Festival. (Staff recommendation)
2. Direct changes to the conditions and approve the Special Event Permit.
3. Deny the Special Event Permit Application.

PRINCIPAL PARTIES EXPECTED AT MEETING

Representatives of California Avocado Festival, Inc., Applicant

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Special Event Permit Application
Attachment B: Festival Layout Map
Attachment C: Profit & Loss Budget Report
Attachment D: Supplemental Letter

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ATTACHMENT A

Special Event Permit Application

PERMIT NO._____

City of Carpinteria, California

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT APPLICATION

1. EVENT INFORMATION

Name of Event California Avocado Festival

Address/Area/Location of Event See attached map

Linden Avenue between Carpinteria Avenue and 6th street including side streets

2. EVENT ORGANIZER INFORMATION

Contact name Olivia Sorgman Organization California Avocado Festival

Phone 805-252-2068 Email info@avofest.org

Address 5320 Carpinteria Avenue Suite K Carpinteria, CA 93013

3. EVENT INFORMATION

Description of event: See Attached

Date of event: From Friday, October 3rd, 2025 To: Sunday. October 5th, 2025

Estimated attendance 30,000 flow through weekend

Start time (incl. set up) See Attached End time (incl. clean up) See Attached

Open to the public?	☒ Yes ☐ No	Will food be sold?*	☒ Yes ☐ No
Will minors be present?	☒ Yes ☐ No	Will alcohol be served?*	☒ Yes ☐ No
Admission fee charged?	☐ Yes ☒ No	Will alcohol be sold?*	☒ Yes ☐ No
Will food be served?*	☒ Yes ☐ No		

Will this event cause any disturbance, noise or congestion in the vicinity of the proposed event? Yes No If yes, please attach an explain and give mitigating measures.

If food or alcohol will be served, please attach the appropriate approved permits. For Temporary Food EVENT, which may be obtained from the Santa Barbara County Public Health Department visit www.sbcphd.org. For Alcohol Beverage Control visit https://www.abc.ca.gov/Forms/PDFSpc.html (please note the City only allows alcohol under specific conditions and reserves the right to reject alcohol sales for special events**).* All vendors and commercial participants shall have an active City of Carpinteria Business License at the time of the event. Vendors shall be required to have proof of such License the day of the event if requested by City staff or other enforcement agency.

SITE PLAN/MAP ROUTE/TRAFFIC CONTROL PLAN DIAGRAM

Your site plan should include the following:

☒ Outline of entire event, including street names. If your event includes road closures, please indicate the location of all closures, route to be traveled (if athletic event), including direction of travel and detours.

☒ The location of all stages, platforms, scaffolding, loud speakers, bleachers, canopies, tents, portable toilets, booths, dumpsters and other temporary structures.

☒ The location of all approved signs, barricades, and barriers. All signage associated with the event shall be placed as not to interfere with vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians. Signs directing traffic shall be in accordance with the State of California Department of Transportation Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices latest edition (California MUTCD).

☒ Any signs that the event organizer plans on using to direct athletic event participants (may not imitate traffic control signs in any way)

☐ Other related event components not listed above

Support Request: Traffic ☒ Crowd Control ☒ Street Closure ☒ Other ☐

The Public Works Department will consider your request for support; however, a request does not guarantee support. If your event is requesting support from the City, please plan accordingly and submit your application ***no less than two months prior to the event date****. Requests for support require approval by the Carpinteria City Council or their designee.*

PLEASE BE SURE YOUR APPLICATION IS COMPLETE!

In addition to the items above, your application must include the following items to be considered for approval:

☒ Application Fee ($135/non-profits, $570/for-profits)

☐ Insurance Indemnification*

☐ Proof of Insurance

☐ Additional Insured Endorsement

*Not less than one million dollars ($1,000,000) combined single limit for both bodily injury and property damage. The policy or policies shall also contain a provision that no termination, cancellation, or change of coverage for the insured or additional insured shall take effect until ten (10) days notice has been given in writing to the City Clerk of the City of Carpinteria.

Please attach any additional information including maps, descriptions, and insurance information. Your permit will not be processed unless it is complete.

4. CONDITIONS OF USE

A. PERMIT CONDITIONS

1. An EVENT is not considered permitted until (1) EVENT ORGANIZER delivers to the City of Carpinteria the Special Event permit application, application fee, certificate of insurance and additional insured endorsement, written evidence of permits and licenses, and any other items deemed necessary by the City of Carpinteria; and (2) the City of Carpinteria, in its sole discretion, approves such permit in writing.

2. EVENT ORGANIZER shall provide the City with a single contact who is to serve as the representative for EVENT ORGANIZER's activities.

3. EVENT ORGANIZER shall be responsible for securing all required permits and licenses.

4. The EVENT shall be used for the purpose stated in this agreement and no other use will be permitted.

5. EVENT ORGANIZER shall not use the City of Carpinteria's name to suggest endorsement or sponsorship of the event without prior written approval of the City of Carpinteria Public Works Director or his/her designee. EVENT ORGANIZER's publicity of the event shall clearly and accurately identify the name of the sponsoring organization or individual.

6. EVENT ORGANIZER shall permit any City of Carpinteria officers, employees, or agents to visit the event described in this permit.

7. EVENT ORGANIZER is an independent contractor and not the agent or employee of the City of Carpinteria.

B. INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

1. EVENT ORGANIZER shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the City of Carpinteria, its officers, employees, and agents from any and all losses, costs, expenses, claims, liabilities, actions, or damages, including liability for injuries to any person or persons or damage to property arising at any time during and/or arising out of or in any way connected with EVENT ORGANIZER's use or occupancy of the EVENT and adjoining property, unless solely caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the City of Carpinteria, its officers, employees, or agents.

2. **General liability insurance**. EVENT ORGANIZER shall maintain commercial general liability insurance with coverage at least as broad as Insurance Services Office form CG 00 01, in an amount not less than $1,000,000 per occurrence, $2,000,000 general aggregate, for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage. The policy must include contractual liability that has not been amended. Any endorsement restricting standard ISO "insured contract" language will not be accepted. If alcohol is sold during the permitted activity, coverage must include full liquor liability. Such insurance shall name the City of Carpinteria, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers as additional insureds prior to the date of the permit. EVENT

ORGANIZER shall file certificates of such insurance with the City of Carpinteria, which shall be endorsed to provide ten (10) days notice to the City of Carpinteria of cancellation or any change of coverage or limits. If a copy of the insurance certificate is not on file prior to the event, the City of Carpinteria may deny access to the EVENT.

All insurance policies shall be issued by an insurance company currently authorized by the Insurance Commissioner to transact business of insurance or is on the List of Approved Surplus Line Insurers in the State of California, with an assigned policyholders' Rating of A- (or higher) and Financial Size Category Class VII (or larger) in accordance with the latest edition of Best's Key Rating Guide, unless otherwise approved by the City's Risk Manager.

Requirements of specific coverage features or limits contained in this Section are not intended as a limitation on coverage, limits or other requirements, or a waiver of any coverage normally provided by any insurance. Specific reference to a given coverage feature is for purposes of clarification only as it pertains to a given issue and is not intended by any party or insured to be all inclusive, or to the exclusion of other coverage, or a waiver of any type. If the EVENT ORGANIZER maintains higher limits than the minimums shown above, the City of Carpinteria requires and shall be entitled to coverage for the higher limits maintained by the EVENT ORGANIZER. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the City of Carpinteria.

3. EVENT ORGANIZER shall report any personal injuries or property damage arising at any time during and/or arising out of or in any way connected with EVENT ORGANIZER's use or occupancy of the City of Carpinteria's facilities and adjoining property to the City of Carpinteria Public Works Director or his/her designee, in writing and as soon as practicable.

4. EVENT ORGANIZER waives any right of recovery against the City of Carpinteria, its officers, employees, and agents for fires, floods, earthquakes, civil disturbances, regulation of any public authority, and other causes beyond the their control. EVENT ORGANIZER shall not charge results of "acts of God" to the City of Carpinteria, its officers, employees, or agents.

5. EVENT ORGANIZER waives any right of recovery against the City of Carpinteria, its officers, employees, and agents for indemnification, contribution, or declaratory relief arising out of or in any way connected with EVENT ORGANIZER's use or occupancy of the EVENT and adjoining property, even if the City of Carpinteria, its officers, employees, or agents seek recovery against EVENT ORGANIZER.

6. The City of Carpinteria makes no warranty, express or implied, as to the suitability of any roadway, bikeway or sidewalk for the event proposed. Not all City facilities are specifically designed for use as proposed.

C. SECURITY

1. The City of Carpinteria, at its sole discretion, may require a certain number of security or Sheriff officers for the event. EVENT ORGANIZER shall be responsible for

procuring and paying for officers through the City of Carpinteria or a private security agency.

2. EVENT ORGANIZER is solely responsible for supervising all individuals at the EVENT and adjoining property during the event. The City of Carpinteria is not responsible for providing this supervision. However, the City of Carpinteria may evict individuals from the EVENT during the event if their conduct is not in the best interest of the public or is deemed to be detrimental in any way.

D. SET UP / CLEAN UP / TRAFFIC CONTROLS

1. All participants shall sign written acknowledgment stating the following: 1) the California Vehicle Code must be complied with, including but not limited to section 21464, "Interference with Traffic Devices" and 2) that due caution shall be exercised.

2. This permit for use of the public rights-of-way for the subject event is not intended to provide participants with any guarantee of safety in completing the proposed activity. Participants shall be responsible for their own safety in using the public rights of way.

3. It is the responsibility of the EVENT ORGANIZER to inspect and monitor the physical condition of the event route, including but not limited to pavement conditions, areas that may be effected by weather changes and traffic volumes, and determine the suitability of the route for the proposed event.

4. 'No Parking' signs shall be installed 72 hours prior to the EVENT in those areas where parking will be affected.

5. Barricades/cones shall be installed one half hour (minimum) prior to beginning of event and shall be removed immediately upon completion of the event. Vehicles shall be placed on the event side of the barricades as an added measure of protection. All barricades shall be monitored to ensure emergency vehicles can enter and exit the event location without impediment.

6. All traffic control signage notifying motorists of approved road closures and detours shall be in conformance with the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

7. The EVENT ORGANIZER shall conduct a briefing for all event monitors explaining the conditions of this permit. Unsatisfactory conduct by event monitors, promoters or sponsors is grounds for revocation of this permit and/or denial of future permits.

8. EVENT ORGANIZER shall not use any permanent markings or fasteners in any part of the public right-of-way and shall not make or allow to be made any alterations of any kind therein.

9. EVENT ORGANIZER shall be responsible for all cleanup of the EVENT, including adjacent grounds, at the end of the EVENT. EVENT ORGANIZER shall pick up, bag, and remove all trash and any markings generated by all activity in any way connected with its use of the EVENT, leaving the public right-of-way clean and free of all trash and litter. EVENT ORGANIZER shall also leave all fixtures, if any, in good working condition.

10. EVENT ORGANIZER shall not store any equipment or materials at the EVENT or adjoining property without the prior written approval of the City of Carpinteria Manager or his/her designee.

11. EVENT ORGANIZER shall be responsible for any and all damage to the EVENT and/or its contents during use. In the event damage occurs or excessive cleaning is necessary, EVENT ORGANIZER shall be charged for any and all janitorial and/or repair fees incurred by the City of Carpinteria as a result.

E. EQUIPMENT / ACCESSORIES

1. EVENT ORGANIZER shall not remove, relocate, or take City of Carpinteria property outside of the EVENT for any reason without the prior written approval of the City of Carpinteria Public Works Director or his/her designee.

2. EVENT ORGANIZER shall not use City of Carpinteria equipment, tools, or furnishings located in or about the EVENT without the prior written approval of the City of Carpinteria Public Works Director or his/her designee.

3. EVENT ORGANIZER shall not drive motorized vehicles on field or green space.

4. The City of Carpinteria does not provide audio/visual systems, public address systems, spotlights, floodlights, or projectors. EVENT ORGANIZER, at its own cost, may bring these systems into the EVENT for their use.

5. EVENT ORGANIZER shall secure the approval of the City of Carpinteria before using audio/visual systems, public address systems, and live or recorded amplified music. EVENT ORGANIZER shall not record, televise, or broadcast the event or any portion thereof without prior written approval of the City of Carpinteria Public Works Director or his/her designee.

F. MISCELLANEOUS

1. EVENT ORGANIZER shall comply with all local, state, and federal laws and regulations related to the use of the EVENT. The EVENT ORGANIZER agrees to abide by all applicable federal and state accessibility standards and regulations.

2. EVENT ORGANIZER shall not admit a larger number of individuals than can lawfully, safely, and freely move about the EVENT.

3. Gambling of any kind is not permitted at the EVENT.

4. The EVENT shall comply with Municipal Code §8.52 Smoking Regulations. The Code prohibits smoking in all public places where other persons can be exposed to secondhand smoke. Pursuant to §8.52.060 D, the applicant shall designate a smoking area where smoking may be permitted subject to the conditions listed in §8.52.060 C of the Carpinteria Municipal Code.

5. If EVENT ORGANIZER violates any part of this permit or reports false information to the City of Carpinteria, the City of Carpinteria may refuse EVENT ORGANIZER future

permits and EVENT ORGANIZER shall forfeit a portion of or all of the fee and/or the deposit.

6. The City of Carpinteria may impose additional requirements as deemed necessary to protect the health, safety, and/or welfare of the community.

7. Any person aggrieved by the City of Carpinteria's decision with respect to this permit may appeal to the City of Carpinteria Public Works Director or his/her designee in writing no later than five (5) days after the City of Carpinteria's decision has been communicated to the aggrieved party.

8. If any provision of this permit is held to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

IMPORTANT

I am an authorized agent of the organization submitting this agreement. The information provided in this agreement is true and correct. I have read and understand this agreement and agree to all of the aforementioned rules, regulations, and conditions of use.

_____	5320 Carpinteria Avenue Suite K Carpinteria, CA 93013
Signature	Address
Olivia Sorgman	805-252-2068
Print name	Phone
California Avocado Festival	info@avofest.org
Organization	Email

City of Carpinteria USE ONLY

Permit fee _____ Total paid _____

Deposit _____ Deposit returned _____

APPROVED BY:

_____	_____	_____
Sheriff's Department	Public Works Director	City Manager
_____	_____	_____
Date	Date	Date

ATTACHMENT B

Event Layout Map

California Avocado Festival Map

ATTACHMENT C

Profit & Loss Budget Report

California Avocado Festival, Inc.
Profit & Loss
January through December 2024

	Jan - Dec 24
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Booth & Application Fees	120,073.36
SPONSORSHIPS	78,500.00
InKind Sponsorship	11,433.60
Auction Income	100.00
BOOTH and APPLICATION FEES	862.00
FESTIVAL INCOME	231,831.10
Scholarship Donations (Tips)	11,359.39
NON FESTIVAL RETAIL SALES	1,825.45
Total Income	455,984.90
Cost of Goods Sold	
Cost of Goods Sold	61,084.25
Total COGS	61,084.25
Gross Profit	394,900.65
Expense	
Charitable Donations	14,000.00
FESTIVAL EXPENSES	278,308.86
ADMIN EXPENSES	96,599.27
Total Expense	388,908.13
Net Ordinary Income	5,992.52
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Interest Earned	0.95
Total Other Income	0.95
Net Other Income	0.95
Net Income	**5,993.47**

California Avocado Festival, Inc.
Profit & Loss
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	Jan - Dec 24	Jan 1 - Aug 24, 25	TOTAL
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
Community Support			
Event Sponsors	73,500.00	750.00	74,250.00
Individual Donors	4,500.00	0.00	4,500.00
Constest & Area Sponsorship	1,000.00	5,000.00	6,000.00
Total Community Support	79,000.00	5,750.00	84,750.00
InKind Sponsorship	11,655.60	5,500.00	17,155.60
Application Fees	8,160.00	4,440.00	12,600.00
Booth Fees			
Commercial Vendors			
Booth Fees (For Profit)	42,728.00	10,875.00	53,603.00
Booth Fees (Nonprofit)	4,025.45	0.00	4,025.45
Rentals/Electricity	0.00	100.00	100.00
Total Commercial Vendors	46,753.45	10,975.00	57,728.45
Food Vendors			
Booth Fees (For Profit)	38,005.96	8,511.00	46,516.96
Booth Fees (Nonprofit)	5,825.76	1,908.00	7,733.76
Rentals/Electricity	0.00	516.00	516.00
Total Food Vendors	43,831.72	10,935.00	54,766.72
Arts and Crafts Exhibitors			
Booth Fees	17,157.00	2,500.00	19,657.00
Total Arts and Crafts Exhibitors	17,157.00	2,500.00	19,657.00
Children's Area			
Booth Fees	3,958.51	350.00	4,308.51
Income From Kids Area Activitie	862.00	0.00	862.00
Total Children's Area	4,820.51	350.00	5,170.51
Total Booth Fees	112,562.68	24,760.00	137,322.68
Festival Sales			
Beer Gardens	137,422.94	0.00	137,422.94
Merchant Booth	79,236.70	0.00	79,236.70
Parking			
Parking - Other	1,813.00	0.00	1,813.00
Total Parking	1,813.00	0.00	1,813.00
Ferris Wheel	9,708.00	0.00	9,708.00
Expo Tent	3,750.46	0.00	3,750.46
Festival Sales - Other	560.00	0.00	560.00
Total Festival Sales	232,491.10	0.00	232,491.10
Non Festival Sales			
Retail Sales-Taxable	1,825.45	148.85	1,974.30
Shipping (Non taxable)	0.00	5.00	5.00
Total Non Festival Sales	1,825.45	153.85	1,979.30
Tip Income	11,359.39	0.00	11,359.39
Total Income	457,054.22	40,603.85	497,658.07
Cost of Goods Sold			
Cost of Goods Sold			
Merchandise	41,273.25	0.00	41,273.25
Alcohol	19,811.00	0.00	19,811.00
Total Cost of Goods Sold	61,084.25	0.00	61,084.25
Total COGS	61,084.25	0.00	61,084.25
Gross Profit	395,969.97	40,603.85	436,573.82
Expense			
Ask My Client (Expense)	0.00	294.06	294.06

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Charitable Donations			
Charitable Donations - Other	14,000.00	10,500.00	24,500.00
Total Charitable Donations	14,000.00	10,500.00	24,500.00
FESTIVAL EXPENSES			
VIP Area Expenses	317.27	0.00	317.27
Advertising			
Social Media	2,200.00	0.00	2,200.00
Print Media	4,255.32	1,317.00	5,572.32
Local Radio	1,505.00	0.00	1,505.00
Local Television	1,890.00	0.00	1,890.00
Banners	975.55	0.00	975.55
Event Advertising	1,065.32	814.21	1,879.53
Total Advertising	11,891.19	2,131.21	14,022.40
Printing & Silkscreening	1,098.04	0.00	1,098.04
Awards			
Contests	246.32	0.00	246.32
Total Awards	246.32	0.00	246.32
Beer Booth			
Bar Supplies	1,605.50	0.00	1,605.50
Truck Rentals	850.00	0.00	850.00
Total Beer Booth	2,455.50	0.00	2,455.50
Childrens Area			
Supplies	206.56	0.00	206.56
Total Childrens Area	206.56	0.00	206.56
Entertainment			
Audio, Video, Light, Sound	60,000.00	61,750.00	121,750.00
Bands	18,625.00	0.00	18,625.00
Stage	960.00	0.00	960.00
Total Entertainment	79,585.00	61,750.00	141,335.00
Festival Contests			
Supplies	1,507.20	0.00	1,507.20
Total Festival Contests	1,507.20	0.00	1,507.20
Licenses, Fees & Permits			
City Fees	233.00	0.00	233.00
Health Permits			
Vendor TFF fees	2,860.00	-692.00	2,168.00
Total Health Permits	2,860.00	-692.00	2,168.00
Licenses & Fees	861.00	0.00	861.00
Permits	224.00	0.00	224.00
Total Licenses, Fees & Permits	4,178.00	-692.00	3,486.00
Operations			
Casual Labor	20,912.75	0.00	20,912.75
Equipment Rentals			
Equipment Rentals - Other	92,466.69	29,947.32	122,414.01
Total Equipment Rentals	92,466.69	29,947.32	122,414.01
Portable Toilets	13,880.00	0.00	13,880.00
Radios	910.87	0.00	910.87
Law Enforcement	6,479.00	0.00	6,479.00
Security	20,887.50	0.00	20,887.50
Janitorial services	8,725.00	0.00	8,725.00
Parking	360.00	0.00	360.00
Supplies	371.71	0.00	371.71
Total Operations	164,993.52	29,947.32	194,940.84

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Shuttle Bus/Parking			
Shuttle Bus	4,500.00	0.00	4,500.00
Total Shuttle Bus/Parking	4,500.00	0.00	4,500.00
Supplies			
Supplies - Other	1,020.40	0.00	1,020.40
Total Supplies	1,020.40	0.00	1,020.40
Volunteer Appreciation	3,759.61	825.87	4,585.48
Total FESTIVAL EXPENSES	275,758.61	93,962.40	369,721.01
Festival Parties/Fundraisers			
Promo Parties	0.00	250.00	250.00
Total Festival Parties/Fundraisers	0.00	250.00	250.00
ADMIN EXPENSES			
Bank Fees, Penalities, Interest			
Merchant Account Fees	27,347.07	804.18	28,151.25
Bank Charges	276.65	173.89	450.54
Total Bank Fees, Penalities, Interest	27,623.72	978.07	28,601.79
Computer & Internet Expenses			
Computer			
Equipment	0.00	1,647.66	1,647.66
Software	1,271.46	1,646.27	2,917.73
Total Computer	1,271.46	3,293.93	4,565.39
Internet	1,862.45	1,147.23	3,009.68
WEB Maintenance			
Design	276.00	276.00	552.00
Total WEB Maintenance	276.00	276.00	552.00
Computer & Internet Expenses - Other	0.00	86.57	86.57
Total Computer & Internet Expenses	3,409.91	4,803.73	8,213.64
Contract Labor			
Casual Labor	1,737.50	0.00	1,737.50
Total Contract Labor	1,737.50	0.00	1,737.50
Insurance			
Directors and Officers	1,530.00	1,530.00	3,060.00
General Liability			
Umbrella Policy	3,563.93	0.00	3,563.93
General Liability - Other	5,900.09	0.00	5,900.09
Total General Liability	9,464.02	0.00	9,464.02
Worker's Compensation	1,189.35	1,071.00	2,260.35
Total Insurance	12,183.37	2,601.00	14,784.37
Legal & Professional Fees			
Administrative Work	23,600.00	8,000.00	31,600.00
Accounting			
Bookkeeping	6,515.00	0.00	6,515.00
Tax Preparation	3,260.00	0.00	3,260.00
Total Accounting	9,775.00	0.00	9,775.00
Total Legal & Professional Fees	33,375.00	8,000.00	41,375.00
Meals & Entertainment			
Meals-Meetings	361.62	0.00	361.62
Board Meals	444.73	0.00	444.73
Total Meals & Entertainment	806.35	0.00	806.35

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Office Expenses			
Rent			
Rent - Other	13,168.37	16,904.32	30,072.69
Total Rent	13,168.37	16,904.32	30,072.69
Storage Unit	3,744.00	0.00	3,744.00
Utilities	238.16	772.08	1,010.24
Telephone	814.96	494.66	1,309.62
Office Equipment	0.00	103.86	103.86
Office Supplies	531.19	128.07	659.26
Post Office Box 146	0.00	268.00	268.00
Total Office Expenses	18,496.68	18,670.99	37,167.67
Postage	135.70	0.00	135.70
Total ADMIN EXPENSES	97,768.23	35,053.79	132,822.02
Total Expense	387,526.84	140,060.25	527,587.09
Net Ordinary Income	8,443.13	-99,456.40	-91,013.27
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income			
Interest Earned	0.95	0.54	1.49
Total Other Income	0.95	0.54	1.49
Net Other Income	0.95	0.54	1.49
Net Income	**8,444.08**	**-99,455.86**	**-91,011.78**

ATTACHMENT D

Supplemental Letter

California Avocado Festival

PO Box 146
Carpinteria, CA 93014

August 22, 2025

Dear City of Carpinteria,

Each year, the California Avocado Festival does far more than celebrate our local heritage — it serves as a powerful engine for economic growth, civic engagement, and community support. The City of Carpinteria's investment in services such as sheriff staffing during the event directly supports a weekend that generates substantial returns for the city and its residents.

In 2025, the Festival **raised $14,000**, all of which was reinvested back into the Carpinteria community:

- **$6,000** to the Carpinteria Education Foundation
- **$5,000** to Future Farmers of America
- **$2,000** to the Carpinteria Community Association
- **$1,000** to the Carpinteria Pool Project

These funds support programs that directly benefit our youth, education system, and overall quality of life.

Beyond direct donations, the Festival continues to grow as a platform for local engagement and opportunity:

- **Youth-Centered Programming: I**n 2024, we added back a full youth area featuring its own stage with youth performers all weekend long. This area will highlight local talent, support music education, and provide kids' activities free of charge — creating lasting memories for the next generation while fostering creativity and community pride.

- **CERT Team Engagement:** The event will utilize our local Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), giving them a visible and valued role while helping them connect with the public and be ready for community deployment when needed.

- **Carpinteria-Centric Focus:** From vendors to suppliers to performers, the Festival prioritizes Carpinteria first. We aim to keep the economic and cultural benefits centered on our local businesses and residents.

- **Environmental Stewardship:** Thanks to our partnership with EJ Harrison, the Festival diverts 96% of its waste, keeping our community clean and demonstrating our commitment to sustainability.

Additionally, local non-profits rely heavily on the Festival as a critical fundraising opportunity. The Carpinteria Lions Club, Carpinteria Boosters, Cheerleaders, Rotary, C-DOG, and Carpinteria Arts Center — which sees its busiest weekend of the year — all report thousands of dollars in revenue directly tied to this event. Please see supporting letters attached.

On the economic side, the Festival is one of the largest revenue-generating weekends of the year for local businesses:

- All hotels and vacation rentals sell out, generating a significant increase in **Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT)** revenue for the city.

- Restaurants and shops remain fully accessible thanks to the festival's central street layout, encouraging pedestrian traffic to all businesses.

- Local businesses often host their own events during the Festival to take advantage of increased foot traffic, even if they do not contribute financially to the Festival itself.

This surge in visitors leads to a measurable boost in sales tax and TOT revenue, directly benefiting the City of Carpinteria.

In addition to the economic impact, the Festival provides a unique opportunity for city departments to connect with the public. The City of Carpinteria, Sheriff's department, Fire services, and now our CERT team are all offered free booth space to engage with residents and visitors alike. These booths provide important outreach opportunities, promote public safety awareness, and strengthen relationships between city entities and the broader community, all free of charge thanks to the Festival.

Simply put, the California Avocado Festival is more than a beloved tradition — it is a strategic asset. The City's investment in public safety and operations during the event enables a weekend that delivers high returns in community benefit, civic pride, local fundraising, and increased tax revenue.

It's an investment in Carpinteria's economic health, public safety presence, youth programs, and community connection, one that continues to serve our city in measurable, meaningful ways year after year.

Thank you,

California Avocado Festival Board of Directors

Agenda Section: Other Business
Agenda Item No.: 10
Council Meeting Date: September 8, 2025

City of Carpinteria

COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT

ITEM FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Response to the 2025 Santa Barbara County Civil Grand Jury Report, "Santa Barbara County South Coast Housing Crisis: A Call to Action."

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

1. Review and approve staff's recommended responses to the Santa Barbara County Civil Grand Jury Report "Santa Barbara County South Coast Housing Crisis: A Call to Action;" and
2. Authorize the City Manager to sign and transmit the City's response to the Presiding Judge, Honorable Patricia Kelly of the Superior Court; to send a copy to the current impaneled Grand Jury; and to file a copy with the City Clerk's Office.

Sample Motion: I move to review and approve staff's recommended responses to the Santa Barbara County Civil Grand Jury Report titled "Santa Barbara County South Coast Housing Crisis: A Call to Action"; and authorize the City Manager to sign and transmit the City's response to the Presiding Judge, Honorable Patricia Kelly of the Superior Court, provide a copy to the current impaneled Grand Jury, and file a copy with the City Clerk's Office.

BACKGROUND

On June 19, 2025, the Santa Barbara County Civil Grand Jury released its report titled "Santa Barbara County South Coast Housing Crisis: A Call to Action" (Attachment A), hereafter referred to as the Grand Jury Report (GJR). This report identifies the low levels of housing construction in recent years as a key driver of the housing affordability crisis for low- and moderate-income residents in unincorporated south Santa Barbara County (SBC), and the cities of Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Carpinteria (collectively, "south coast jurisdictions"). The GJR focuses on three primary barriers to the construction of affordable housing, and proposes solutions for south coast jurisdictions to implement together.

In accordance with California Penal Code §933(c), public agencies must respond to Grand Jury reports within 90 days. The law mandates that the governing body of the

public agency submit comments on the findings and recommendations to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court. These responses must be provided promptly to the judge who impaneled the Grand Jury.

As the City of Carpinteria received the GJR on June 19th, the City Council is required to respond by September 17, 2025.

DISCUSSION

The GJR discusses a variety of factors that affect the availability, permitting, and construction of affordable housing. It first summarizes a few development and policy projects currently happening in south coast jurisdictions that aim to increase or ease the permitting of affordable housing. The report then identifies three obstacles to development: funding limitations, regulatory and legal complexity, and development costs.

Given these obstacles, the report proposes five categories of strategic solutions:

A. Modernize Local Ordinances
B. Streamline Approval Processes
C. Expand and Stabilize Funding
D. Utilize Public and Surplus Land
E. Community Engagement and Public Outreach

The report states that housing construction in south coast jurisdictions is unlikely to reach the number of housing units identified in the 2023-2031 Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA). Additional collaboration between the various housing and construction stakeholders is necessary. The GJR concludes with three findings and corresponding recommendations for the south coast jurisdictions. It directs the City of Carpinteria to provide a response to Findings 1, 2, and 3, and Recommendations 1a, 1b, 2a, 2b, 2c, 2d, 3a, and 3d.

Responses to findings should indicate agreement, disagreement with explanation, or partial disagreement with an explanation. Responses to recommendations should include one of the following:

- Has been implemented, with a summary of the implementation actions taken;
- Will be implemented, with an implementation schedule;
- Requires further analysis, with an analysis completion date of fewer than 6 months after the issuance of the report; or
- Will not be implemented with an explanation of why.

Attachment B contains the draft City Response Letter to the GJR, written with input from Community Development Department and General Government staff. The draft

responses take into account, among other factors, the City's past and upcoming Housing Element implementation programs, budget constraints, staff capacity, and partnerships with local organizations.

POLICY CONSISTENCY

Responding to the GJR and addressing the housing crisis is consistent with State and local directives, including the programs within the City's 2023-2031 Housing Element. It is also consistent with the 2025-2027 Strategic Plan Council Goal #1: Enhance Public Outreach, Education, and Transparency.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

No additional funding requested at this time. Minimal staff time to prepare the report is included in the Adopted FY 2025-27 General Fund Budget. Should the City Council direct staff to pursue additional actions at the GJR's suggestion, additional funding may be necessary, and would be considered at a future City Council meeting.

LEGAL AND RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

The City Council must provide a response to the GJR pursuant to California Penal Code §933(c) within 90 days of receipt of the report.

OPTIONS

The Council may choose to:

1. Review and approve staff's recommended responses to the Santa Barbara County Civil Grand Jury Report "Santa Barbara County South Coast Housing Crisis: A Call To Action"; and authorize the City Manager to sign and transmit the City's Response to the Presiding Judge, Honorable Patricia Kelly of the Superior Court, provide a copy to the current impaneled Grand Jury, and file a copy with the City Clerk's Office. (Staff recommendation)
2. Provide suggested changes to the response letter, and direct staff as determined appropriate.
3. Not approve the response letter, and direct staff as determined appropriate.

PRINCIPAL PARTIES EXPECTED AT MEETING

None.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: 2025 Santa Barbara County Civil Grand Jury Report, "Santa Barbara County South Coast Housing Crisis: A Call To Action."

Attachment B: City response letter to Grand Jury Report

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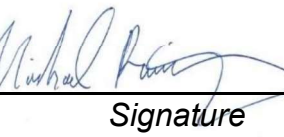

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ATTACHMENT A

2025 Santa Barbara County Civil Grand Jury Report, "Santa Barbara County South Coast Housing Crisis: A Call To Action."

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY SOUTH COAST HOUSING CRISIS
A CALL TO ACTION

SUMMARY

The housing shortage in Santa Barbara County's South Coast, particularly for low- and moderate-income residents, is reaching crisis levels. This growing concern is now a frequent topic at public hearings, advocacy meetings, and in news reports.

The root of the problem is a lack of new housing development for many years. The situation has been made worse by the rise in short-term rentals and an increasing number of second or third homes left vacant for much of the year. While the County has met its obligation under the California Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) to plan for increased housing supply, there are serious barriers to building this housing, particularly affordable and workforce housing.

Numerous barriers continue to stand in the way of actual construction. These include high land and labor costs, development fees, restrictive zoning, and neighborhood opposition (commonly known as "Not In My Back Yard" or NIMBY). Complex regulations further delay or block projects. The many federal and state programs that offer subsidies for affordable housing are underfunded, oversubscribed, and beset with confusing rules and deadlines. Recent shifts in federal policy have cast uncertainty on the future of these programs.

Although RHNA only mandates planning, not building, housing, the County and cities do have tools to directly facilitate construction. These include expanding ministerial approvals, using objective design standards for accessory dwelling units (ADUs), revising restrictive codes, and rezoning land specifically for affordable and workforce housing.

The 2024-25 Santa Barbara County Grand Jury (Jury) observed that our local governments on the South Coast, local non-profit organizations, many developers, and some employers are striving to create more housing, but much more needs to be done. To truly address the South County's housing needs and meet RHNA goals, local agencies must go beyond planning. They must commit meaningful resources to the actual development of this needed housing.

BACKGROUND

The South Coast of Santa Barbara County is known for its beauty, climate, and geography. Residents have long sought to preserve this unique character, often by supporting regulations that slow housing development. However, due to increasing population and workforce growth, the

region now faces a severe housing shortage, especially for low- and moderate-income families. Currently, more than 65 percent of local workers cannot afford to live in the area and are forced to commute long distances to work. As of March 25, 2025, the City of Santa Barbara Housing Authority (HASB) had 7,732 households on its Section 8 (see Glossary) waitlist. On that date, HASB announced it would pause new voucher issuances due to uncertainty over federal housing funding.

The California State Legislature has long recognized the need for more affordable housing, passing numerous laws over decades to support local governments, agencies, and developers. The State Legislature continues to introduce more legislation aimed at producing more affordable housing.[1]

Since 1969, California's Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has required local governments to plan for the housing needs of all income levels through California's Housing Element Law. This planning is guided by the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA), which assigns housing targets to each region every eight years across six income categories based on the Area Median Income (AMI). In 2024, the AMI for Santa Barbara County was $119,100.

The Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) reviews state-assigned housing targets and distributes them among cities and unincorporated areas (see Additional Resources). Each jurisdiction must then adopt a Housing Element in its General Plan to meet these targets.

Previously, housing targets were weighted toward North County due to greater land availability. However, the current cycle shifts the focus to the South Coast, where housing needs are most acute. The South Coast now bears approximately 60% of the County's total RHNA allocation of 24,856 units, The allocation of units for the South Coast is shown in Table 1. Accordingly, the Jury has focused its attention on the South Coast.

Table 1: Current Santa Barbara County RHNA Allocation

South Coast Jurisdiction	RHNA Allocation	Allocation by Income Level			
		Very Low	Low	Moderate	Above Moderate
Carpinteria	901	286	132	135	348
Santa Barbara	8,001	2,147	1,381	1,441	3,032
Goleta	1,837	682	324	370	461
Unincorporated	4,142	809	957	1,051	1,325

[1] Buffy Wicks, "California Legislature Releases Sweeping Bill Package to Fast Track Housing Production," press release, March 27, 2025. https://a14.asmdc.org/press-releases/20250327-california-legislature-releases-sweeping-bill-package-fast-track-housing

Historically, Santa Barbara County has failed to meet its RHNA targets in terms of actual construction, largely due to overly optimistic planning and local resistance to housing development.

In the current RHNA cycle (2023–2031), the State has imposed significantly higher housing targets and enacted stricter laws with real penalties for missing deadlines for Housing Element adoption. This includes stronger enforcement tools, such as AB 1893 (2024) (Builder's Remedy, see Glossary), for jurisdictions that missed their Housing Element deadlines.

Progress to Date by Local Jurisdiction for the South Coast Housing Element

All the jurisdictions on the South Coast missed the initial deadlines for obtaining State approvals for their completed Housing Element plans but were spurred into action when developers threatened to invoke Builder's Remedy exemptions on pending or proposed projects. As of March 2025, all Housing Elements in the County have been approved by the State and have been incorporated into each jurisdiction's respective General Plan. These are readily available on the County and city websites (see Additional Resources).

All jurisdictions on the South Coast have prudently identified additional sites to exceed the RHNA requirements by 10 to 15 percent to avoid falling short should any sites become unavailable for development by 2031. The County and cities are only required to identify suitable sites and are not directly responsible for actually building housing. They are, however, required to make it as easy as possible for developers to be able to build housing in the various categories needed. As detailed in the documents listed in the Additional Resources section of this report, each Housing Element includes a variation of the following key goals, each of which is expanded into specific implementation plans and programs:

- Process improvements
- Changes to existing design standards
- Relaxation of existing regulations
- Funding
- Fee structures
- Public and private development partnerships

METHODOLOGY

The Jury reviewed documents and conducted interviews to investigate the reasons behind the housing shortage on the South Coast. The Jury focused on affordable housing because the availability of market rate housing does not present a significant problem. Data on affordable housing was analyzed based on the RHNA definitions. The Jury's methods of investigation included:

- Interviews with city (Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Carpinteria) and County staff and housing providers
- Interviews with Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) staff
- Attendance at County Board of Supervisors meetings and city council meetings
- Review of California housing laws
- Review and analysis of the County's and South Coast cities' General Plans and Housing Elements for the 2023-31 cycle
- Review of the County's and South Coast cities' ordinances and resolutions related to affordable housing
- Review and analysis of affordable housing agreements between developers and the County
- Examination of building permit applications, approved projects under development, news media coverage, and public hearings

DISCUSSION

The Jury reviewed the Housing Elements of the County and cities on the South Coast and found there is a critical need for housing for people who cannot afford market-rate housing. Therefore, the Jury decided to focus on the obstacles to affordable housing development and potential solutions.

Housing Developments in Progress

Several housing projects with 100 percent affordable units have been launched by non-profit organizations, such as People's Self-Help Housing, and public agencies, such as HASB and the Housing Authority of Santa Barbara County (HASBARCO). Some projects have been completed (e.g., a 60-unit project in Goleta), others are under construction, and many are still in the planning phase. Some private developments incorporate inclusionary housing requirements where a proportion of units must be affordable, although terms vary and are often negotiated between developers and local governments. Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) and Junior ADUs (JADUs) are also being built under streamlined state laws, such as ministerial approvals using objective design standards (see Glossary), although only about 65 percent are expected to qualify as affordable.

For example, in the City of Santa Barbara over a thousand ADUs have either been completed or are under development. Local employers such as Yardi Systems, Inc., the Rosewood Miramar Hotel, the Santa Barbara Cemetery Association, Cottage Health, and others have also begun sponsoring affordable housing projects for their employees.

In addition, the County, cities, and public agencies have identified and started to develop housing projects on land that they do not anticipate using. Some examples include:

- The City of Santa Barbara is working with HASB to develop workforce housing on a vacant lot and has designated the current site of the Santa Barbara Police Department for future housing
- The Santa Barbara Unified School District has leased two parcels of land to HASBARCO to build affordable housing
- The Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District (MTD) has reached an agreement with a private developer to build transit-oriented, multi-family rental housing, which will include 15% affordable units, on MTD's vacant property

While the County and some of the municipalities have included a few parcels of publicly owned land in the Housing Element, there is more land owned by them and other public agencies that could be identified and repurposed for affordable and workforce housing. Utilizing these publicly owned lands would help to foster public-private partnerships since the cost of land will become less of an obstacle to building affordable and workforce housing.

Obstacles to Development

South Coast residents have historically supported land use policies that preserved neighborhood character, which has unintentionally contributed to severe housing shortages. Costly development fees, community opposition, labor costs, land acquisition costs, and prolonged development entitlement processes (see Glossary) further stall progress. Though some employers and school districts are leveraging their land for housing, such efforts are infrequent.

1. Funding Limitations

Affordable housing depends on a complex mix of federal, state, and private funds. Each of these funding sources has its own criteria and timelines. The availability of federal and state funding for affordable housing construction is predicated on meeting strict eligibility requirements and tight timing windows. The complexity of this process requires successful participants in these programs to have experienced and dedicated staff or consultants to navigate the process. The State of California produces a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) calendar[2] to assist those who want to use grant or credit programs to build more affordable housing. The complexity of this chart reflects the complexity of this funding process.

Typically, these sources are oversubscribed and subject to unexpected rule changes. For example, current uncertainties about federal funding have caused the Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara to cease issuing the Section 8 vouchers. Developers often factor the availability of these vouchers into decisions about whether to include affordable units.

Even though some cities have implemented creative financing mechanisms and public-private partnerships, these efforts have not kept pace with the rising need for affordable housing.

[2] See the HCD's website for the latest NOFA calendar: https://www.hcd.ca.gov/grants-and-funding/nofa-calendar

The County of Santa Barbara and the City of Santa Barbara have both established housing trust funds certified as Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI, see Glossary). These funds are intended to supplement the development of affordable housing projects. The County has deposited fees collected from developers into their fund. In addition to depositing developer fees, the City of Santa Barbara has also transferred some resources into their fund from their contingency reserves.

On June 10, 2025, the City of Santa Barbara budgeted $3.5 million to be added to their housing trust fund to fund affordable housing over the next two years; the Jury applauds this action, but believes that much more needs to be done given the pent-up demand for affordable housing in the City. Recent experience has shown that one unit of affordable housing may cost as much as one million dollars to build in the City of Santa Barbara.

Both the City of Santa Barbara and the County need to access other sources to increase the impact of these funds. For example, the County of Ventura actively promotes its housing trust fund and advertises for contributions from the philanthropic community.

Neither the City of Goleta nor the City of Carpinteria have established CDFI-certified housing trust funds to date.

2. Regulatory and Legal Complexity

Streamlined approval processes are now in place for affordable housing and ADUs, but many projects still face delays due to overlapping agency jurisdictions (e.g., Coastal Commission), siloed city and county permitting and approval processes, appeals, lawsuits, and neighborhood objections. These barriers disproportionately affect affordable housing projects, which are unable to absorb high carrying costs during such delays.

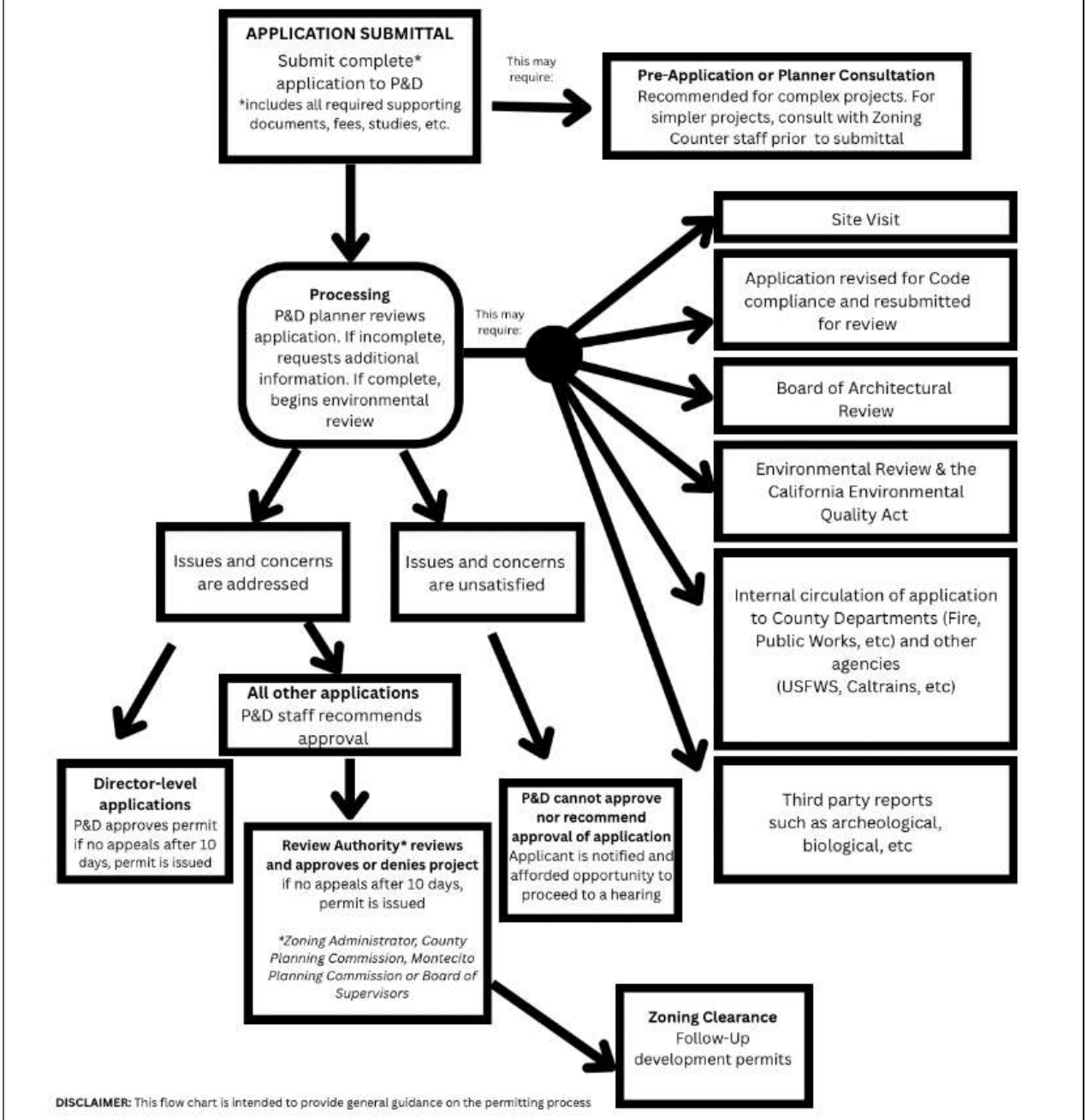
Within this system, there is no single individual tasked with assisting developers of affordable housing to navigate this complex process and to deal with multiple regulatory agencies. Figure 1 (below) illustrates the planning permit process in Santa Barbara County.

3. Development Costs

Government fees, prevailing wage requirements, interest on loans, and prices of land and material all drive up costs for affordable housing. Any uncertainty in the development process, such as appeals, litigation, and unexpected delays in approvals, can add to project costs.

Deed restrictions and rent caps required by inclusionary housing mandates often discourage developers from proceeding with below market rate housing projects.

Figure 1



Source: County of Santa Barbara Planning and Development Department

Strategic Solutions

The current housing crisis has created a flurry of activity at the state and local levels. Every day, new measures are taken: bills are proposed in the legislature; ordinances are drafted at the local levels; and solutions are proposed in the media. The Jury recognizes all these efforts and hopes that some of the solutions will be realized.

All of the governments in the South Coast are working diligently on these problems, and the Jury applauds their efforts. However, to make significant numbers of housing units available, the region must adopt a more unified, forward-thinking approach. All aspects of the development process, from application to completion of construction and occupancy, must work seamlessly together and all the involved agencies must collaborate to help the developer navigate the steps involved in an expeditious manner. The County and municipalities on the South Coast could consider taking measures such as those listed below:

A. Modernize Local Ordinances

- Update zoning, design standards, and utility requirements for density and affordability
- Ensure alignment with state mandates to avoid development delays and legal vulnerability

B. Streamline Approval Processes

- Shift to parallel permitting processes across jurisdictions
- Increase use of ministerial approvals for qualifying projects
- Establish a mechanism for parallel processing across jurisdictions, both municipal and separate agencies, from whom developers must obtain approvals
- Specify guidelines that will allow developers to qualify for exemptions from some requirements of the review process if project criteria are met up front
- Provide navigation assistance to allow developers to move expeditiously through the approvals required from various agencies

C. Expand and Stabilize Funding

- Develop and promote housing trust funds to leverage the benefits of Community Development Financial Institutions and philanthropic partnerships
- Reinvest market-rate development fees into affordable housing

D. Utilize Public and Surplus Land

- Inventory land owned by cities, school districts, and special districts and repurpose any that is surplus to their operational requirements
- Prioritize high-opportunity areas near jobs and transit

E. Community Engagement and Public Outreach

- Continue community forums used during the Housing Element update
- Publicly track and share development milestones
- Promote understanding of housing's role in community resilience

CONCLUSION

The affordable housing crisis on the South Coast remains a complex and urgent challenge, shaped by high land costs, state and local regulatory hurdles, and limited financial resources. The development process is often slow and fragmented, and affordable housing projects face competition for limited funding.

Although the jurisdictions on the South Coast will meet the RHNA goals that require identification of suitable building sites, it is unlikely that the target of increasing the inventory of affordable and moderate-income housing on the South Coast will be realized by 2031.

Ultimately, providing needed housing on the Santa Barbara South Coast will require sustained collaboration among local governments, developers, community stakeholders, and the broader public to build a more inclusive, affordable, and resilient housing landscape.

FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Finding 1: Santa Barbara County and the cities of Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Carpinteria own land that is surplus to their operational requirements, some of which could be used for affordable housing.

Recommendation 1a: The Grand Jury recommends that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors and City Councils of Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Carpinteria identify publicly owned properties within their jurisdiction that could be utilized for affordable housing.

Recommendation 1b: The Grand Jury recommends that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors and City Councils of Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Carpinteria invite public and private developers to work with them to build affordable housing on the publicly owned land identified as available.

Finding 2: The process for issuance of a permit for affordable housing development projects in the County and the cities of Santa Barbara, Goleta and Carpinteria is costly, time consuming, and complicated.

Recommendation 2a: The Grand Jury recommends that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors and City Councils of Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Carpinteria each create a position to be staffed by a qualified person who can coordinate and facilitate the application and approval processes for affordable housing projects, with the authority to bring together all interested parties to arrive at an expeditious resolution of any issue.

Recommendation 2b: The Grand Jury recommends that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors and City Councils of Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Carpinteria review their processes for development approvals to prioritize affordable housing projects.

Recommendation 2c: The Grand Jury recommends that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors and City Councils of Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Carpinteria apply the ministerial approval process to all development projects comprising seventy five percent or more of low-income housing.

Recommendation 2d: The Grand Jury recommends that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors and City Councils of Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Carpinteria conduct a review of all development and impact fees and find ways to waive, reduce or amortize fees for affordable housing projects.

Finding 3: There are insufficient funds available to develop needed affordable housing.

Recommendation 3a: The Grand Jury recommends that the City Councils of Goleta and Carpinteria establish dedicated housing trust funds, certified as Community Development Financial Institutions, to facilitate the building of affordable housing.

Recommendation 3b: The Grand Jury recommends that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors increase funding to the Housing Trust Fund of Santa Barbara County to facilitate the building of affordable housing.

Recommendation 3c: The Grand Jury recommends that the Santa Barbara City Council further increase funding to the City of Santa Barbara Local Housing Trust Fund to facilitate the building of affordable housing.

Recommendation 3d: The Grand Jury recommends that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors and the City Councils of Santa Barbara, Goleta and Carpinteria promote contributions to their housing trust funds by other non-governmental organizations, the philanthropic community, and the public.

REQUIREMENTS FOR RESPONSES

Pursuant to California Penal Code §933 and §933.05, the Grand Jury requests each entity or individual named below to respond to the findings and recommendations within the specified statutory time limit.

Responses to Findings shall be either:

- Agree
- Disagree with an explanation
- Disagree partially with an explanation

Responses to Recommendations shall be one of the following:

- Has been implemented, with a summary of the implementation actions taken
- Will be implemented, with an implementation schedule
- Requires further analysis, with an analysis completion date of fewer than 6 months after the issuance of the report
- It will not be implemented with an explanation of why

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors – 90 Days

Findings 1, 2, 3
Recommendations 1a, 1b, 2a, 2b, 2c, 2d, 3b, 3d

City of Santa Barbara – 90 Days

Findings 1, 2, 3
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City of Goleta – 90 Days

Findings 1, 2, 3
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City of Carpinteria – 90 Days

Findings 1, 2, 3
Recommendations 1a, 1b, 2a, 2b, 2c, 2d, 3a, 3d

GLOSSARY

AB (Assembly Bill): A bill introduced in the California State Assembly (e.g., AB 1893).

ADU (Accessory Dwelling Unit): A secondary housing unit on a property, such as a converted garage or standalone structure.

Affordable Housing: Affordable housing refers to housing that is priced on the basis of ability to pay and not on the market rate of a housing unit. If the total housing expense of a family remains at or below 30% of their gross household income, then the housing unit is considered affordable.

Area Median Income (AMI): The income value at which an equal number of families earn more, and an equal number of families earn less. The AMI value is derived from census data and is determined annually by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and is specific to an area. Thus, the AMI on the South Coast of Santa Barbara varies for each city and for the unincorporated of the County and is defined in their respective Housing Elements.

Builder's Remedy: A legal provision in California that allows developers to bypass local zoning restrictions when cities or counties fail to comply with the Housing Element Law. The Builder's Remedy can be invoked when a city or county fails to obtain state approval for its Housing Element by the State's deadline either because it has not been submitted in time or because the Housing Element proposals do not meet the State's requirements. Under such circumstances, developers can propose housing projects that do not conform to local zoning regulations if at least 20% of the units are designated as affordable housing, or 100% are moderate-income housing. The city or county cannot reject these projects based on some zoning or General Plan inconsistencies.

CDFI (Community Development Financial Institution): A non-profit financial institution that supports affordable housing and economic development. The federal CDFI Fund was created to help certified CDFIs generate economic growth and opportunity. It provides funding, resources, and technical assistance to help local financial institutions take a market-driven approach to support the economic needs of a community. By being a certified CDFI, a housing trust fund is eligible to receive funding and other assistance from the CDFI fund to build affordable housing.

Development Entitlement Process: The entitlement process is a critical phase in real estate development, involving the legal and regulatory approval required to proceed with a development project to ensure compliance with zoning laws, building codes, and other regulations. Steps in the entitlement process include zoning approval, land use permits, environmental impact assessments, site plan approval, public hearings, and permits. Such approvals are necessary to ensure legal compliance, to manage legal and environmental risks, to obtain community support, and to confirm project feasibility.

HASB (Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara): The agency responsible for managing affordable housing programs in the City of Santa Barbara.

HASBARCO (Housing Authority of Santa Barbara County): The public agency focused on affordable housing development and management in Santa Barbara County, excluding the City of Santa Barbara.

HCD (California Department of Housing and Community Development): The agency tasked with developing housing policy and administering funding and development programs in the State of California.

Housing Element: The component within local government's General Plans that meets the state requirement that all cities and counties in California adequately plan to meet the housing needs of everyone in their communities at all income levels.

HUD (U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development): The federal agency responsible for housing policy and programs.

Inclusionary Housing: To be considered inclusionary, a housing development is required to have a certain percentage of affordable housing units (typically five to 20 percent) to be included when market-rate housing is being built.

JADU (Junior Accessory Dwelling Unit): A smaller unit within the primary home, usually repurposed from existing space.

Ministerial Approval: Ministerial approval is a faster and less complex approval process compared to discretionary review, which involves public hearings and more subjective judgment.

NIMBY (Not in My Backyard): A term describing opposition to development projects, especially housing.

Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA): A NOFA or Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is a document that announces a funding opportunity for grants. NOFAs can be used to announce funding opportunities for various housing-related programs, such as HUD's housing counseling programs, Community Development Financial Institution programs (CDFI), and programs for rural housing.

Objective design standards: Projects seeking ministerial approval must demonstrate compliance with clear, objective standards and regulations, often outlined in zoning ordinances or specific codes.

RHNA (Regional Housing Needs Allocation): A state-mandated process that assigns housing development targets to cities and counties based on projected needs.

SBCAG (Santa Barbara County Association of Governments): A regional, independent public agency that coordinates transportation and housing planning among Santa Barbara County and all eight incorporated cities in the County.

SB (Senate Bill): A bill introduced in the California State Senate (e.g., SB 35).

Section 8 – now called Housing Choice Program: This is the federal government's largest program for assisting low-income families, the elderly, and the disabled in being able to afford decent, safe, and sanitary housing in the private market. A housing subsidy is paid by an authorized housing authority to the landlord on behalf of a participating family. The family pays rent based on their income, and the housing authority pays the difference between that amount and the market rent.

South Coast: The South Coast of Santa Barbara County is defined by SBCAG in their Regional Housing Needs Allocation Plan, July 15th, 2021, as follows: "For purposes of the RHNA methodology, the County is divided into two subregions, referred to as the South Coast and North County Housing Market Areas, and further divided into the incorporated cities and unincorporated areas contained within these two subregions." See Figure 2.

Figure 2

Source: County of Santa Barbara Planning and Development Department

The South Coast Housing Market Area includes the cities of Carpinteria, Santa Barbara, and Goleta, as well as unincorporated Montecito, Summerland, Toro Canyon, Mission Canyon, Eastern Goleta Valley, Isla Vista, Hope Ranch, UCSB, and Gaviota.

Workforce Housing: For purposes of this report, workforce housing refers to housing that is needed for households who do not qualify for affordable housing because their income exceeds the AMI for moderate income in any city or County area on the South Coast, but cannot afford market rates for housing for rent or sale. A large number of the workers employed by public and private employers fall within this category.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Housing Elements for the 2023-2031 Cycle:

1. City of Santa Barbara:
   https://santabarbaraca.gov/HousingElement
2. City of Goleta:
   cityofgoleta.org/home/showpublisheddocument/29869/638375666841470000
3. City of Carpinteria:
   https://carpinteriaca.gov/city-hall/community-development/planning/housing-element-update/
4. County of Santa Barbara:
   https://www.countyofsb.org/3177/Housing-Element-Update

Housing Element Annual Progress Reports for 2024:

1. City of Santa Barbara Housing Element Annual Progress Report, 2024:
   https://santabarbaraca.gov/sites/default/files/2025-03/HE%20APR%20SantaBarbara2024.pdf
2. City of Goleta Housing Element Annual Progress Report, 2024:
   https://www.cityofgoleta.org/home/showpublisheddocument/31599/638785768381830000
3. City of Carpinteria Housing Element Annual Progress Report, 2024:
   https://carpinteriaca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/2024-HE-APR-Staff-Report-with-Attachments-3-10-2025.pdf
4. County of Santa Barbara Housing Element Annual Progress Report, 2024:
   https://content.civicplus.com/api/assets/1aa7eb3e-858e-450a-82fb-549760e6fee8

ATTACHMENT B

City response letter to Grand Jury Report

CITY of CARPINTERIA, CALIFORNIA

September 9, 2025

Hon. Patricia Kelly
Presiding Judge of the Superior Court
2025 Santa Barbara County Grand Jury
Santa Barbara County Courthouse
1100 Anacapa Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

SUBJECT: 2025 Grand Jury Report, "Santa Barbara County South Coast Housing Crisis: A Call To Action"

Dear Judge Kelly and Members of the Grand Jury,

The City of Carpinteria ("City") is pleased to provide the following responses to the above referenced report issued by the Santa Barbara County Grand Jury and received by the City on June 19, 2025:

Finding 1: Santa Barbara County and the cities of Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Carpinteria own land that is surplus to their operational requirements, some of which could be used for affordable housing.

City of Carpinteria Response: Disagree.
The City owns approximately 130 acres of land, over three-quarters of which are dedicated for public parks and open space. Several of the City's larger public open space properties are also subject to deed restrictions or conservation easements which significantly restrict the types and intensity of development that may occur on them, ensuring their permanent protection for public open space and/or conservation purposes. The remainder of City-owned lands, which cumulatively comprise approximately 10 acres, are used for the City's three downtown public parking lots, the City Hall campus, a parcel fully developed with a flood control detention basin, and a single parcel presently developed with a 100% affordable housing development (i.e., Atrium Court Apartments). The three public parking lots are heavily relied upon by residents, employees, and visitors to the City's downtown core and adjacent public recreation and open space areas. The city hall campus (approximately 4.8 acres) contains city administrative offices, council chambers, public works incorporation yard, sheriff sub-station, a public skatepark, and surface parking lots to support those uses.

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The City has, in the past, worked with affordable housing providers to make surplus City-owned lands available at little or no cost to facilitate production of affordable rental housing in Carpinteria (e.g., Atrium Court Apartments, Dahlia Court Apartments Expansion). However, having previously dedicated those limited surplus lands to such uses, the City has exhausted that resource. In light of the above information, the City does not own any remaining lands that are surplus to its operational needs.

Recommendation 1a: The Grand Jury recommends that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors and City Councils of Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Carpinteria identify publicly owned properties within their jurisdiction that could be utilized for affordable housing.

City of Carpinteria Response: Has been implemented.
During the development of the City's 2023-2031 Housing Element, the City identified *Candidate Sites* for possible rezoning to higher density residential uses, and existing *Underutilized Sites* that could be further developed or redeveloped to accommodate (additional) housing units. No City-owned sites were identified as Candidate or Underutilized Sites, for the reasons listed in the above response to Finding 1. As part of the initial Housing Element inventory process, the City did identify potential candidate or underutilized sites owned by other public agencies, such as the Carpinteria Unified School District (CUSD) and engaged those entities concerning the inclusion of those properties in the City's inventory. However, based on a lack of support or interest from those agencies, said lands were not included in the final inventories. Nevertheless, to the extent City resources allow, the City will continue to seek opportunities for property acquisition that could help facilitate affordable housing production.

Recommendation 1b: The Grand Jury recommends that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors and City Councils of Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Carpinteria invite public and private developers to work with them to build affordable housing on the publicly owned land identified as available.

City of Carpinteria Response: Has been implemented.
The City has a past successful track record of partnering with affordable housing providers to secure and construct several deed-restricted affordable housing developments, and agrees that this will continue to be an important strategy to facilitate and/or finance affordable housing construction going forward. The City is committed to continue seeking out such opportunities and funding sources in the future as they arise, and as City resources allow for. However, as noted in the above responses to Finding 1 and Recommendation 1a, the City does not currently own any lands that are surplus to its operational needs or that could presently be made available for a City partnership affordable housing project.

Finding 2: The process for issuance of a permit for affordable housing development projects in the County and the cities of Santa Barbara, Goleta and Carpinteria is costly, time consuming, and complicated.

City of Carpinteria Response: Disagree partially.
The City is located entirely within the California Coastal Zone,[1] which necessitates most development to obtain a Coastal Development Permit (CDP) in accordance with the City's certified Local Coastal Program (LCP). The LCP is certified by the California Coastal Commission, and contains both objective and subjective policies that prioritize protection of sensitive coastal resources. Projects requiring a CDP must be reviewed for consistency with these policies and in most cases, require discretionary review and approval, which can add additional time, cost, and complexity to projects.

Despite these factors, the City has made diligent efforts to streamline and reduce costs for project applicants, including but not limited to, affordable housing developments. The City offers opportunities for pre-application consultations with planning staff and submittal of conceptual review applications as a means to allow prospective developers to receive feedback and direction from staff and/or decision-makers prior to a formal project submittal. The City also routinely reviews and processes project applications in a shorter timeframe[2] and at a lesser cost relative to staff time or permit fees than our neighboring jurisdictions.

Additionally, as of late 2023, the City established and staffed a dedicated Long-Range Planning division that is tasked with implementing the 2023-2031 Housing Element programs. A recent LCP Amendment rezoned approximately 20 acres of land to accommodate the City's RHNA shortfall and provide a ministerial permitting process for qualifying housing development that includes at least 20 percent low-income units and meets applicable objective standards. Other Housing Element Programs will similarly seek to offer streamlined permitting processes and/or reduced costs for certain types of housing projects. The City's Coastal Land Use Plan / General Plan (CLUP/GP) is also currently undergoing a comprehensive update which will consider re-designating additional lands for multifamily residential development, and that will further allow for streamlined development, as any projects consistent with the new CLUP/GP will be able to rely on the environmental review conducted by the City.[3]

Therefore, while the City generally agrees that affordable housing development in California, and particularly in the Coastal Zone, can be costly, time consuming, and complicated, Carpinteria continues to seek opportunities to reduce costs, and simplify and streamline the approval process for affordable housing. See also response to Recommendation 2d below.

Recommendation 2a: The Grand Jury recommends that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors and City Councils of Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Carpinteria each create a position to be staffed by a qualified person who can coordinate and facilitate the application

[1] The California Coastal Zone is a legislatively-defined geographic region that establishes the area regulated under the Coastal Act, encompassing both land and water areas along the length of the California coastline from the Oregon border to the Mexico border.
[2] California Department of Housing and Community Development, "Housing Element Implementation and APR Data Dashboard." https://www.hcd.ca.gov/housing-open-data-tools/apr-dashboard
[3] See California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15183.

and approval processes for affordable housing projects, with the authority to bring together all interested parties to arrive at an expeditious resolution of any issue.

City of Carpinteria Response: Has been implemented.
In late 2023, the City hired a new long-range planning division. One of the primary responsibilities assigned to the division is to facilitate affordable housing development and the policy framework to support them. The long-range and current planning divisions regularly coordinate and work closely together to expedite processing applications for affordable housing projects, including regular consultation with special districts (water, sanitary, fire protection, etc.) and Public Works to ensure all agencies/departments work together to efficiently process permit(s).

While the City has not seen any applications for housing projects where all or most of the units are deed restricted for lower income households in many years, there are several active applications for housing projects with an affordable component. All such projects are prioritized and processed expeditiously such that issues are resolved quickly.

Recommendation 2b: The Grand Jury recommends that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors and City Councils of Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Carpinteria review their processes for development approvals to prioritize affordable housing projects.

City of Carpinteria Response: Has been implemented.
As mentioned above, part of the implementation for the City's 2023-2031 Housing Element involved rezoning land to a new Residential/Mixed Use (RMU) zone district and creating a ministerial CDP process for projects that incorporate a minimum of 20% lower-income housing units and adhere to Objective Design Standards.[4] Projects that meet these requirements are not required to be reviewed by the Architectural Review Board or Planning Commission and can be approved by the Planning Director. Additional Housing Element Programs commit the City to consider additional strategies to streamline certain types of housing projects and continue to offer and expand access to concessions and incentives for affordable housing projects. State housing law also implements strict timelines on certain housing projects incorporating affordable units, further prioritizing these applications in City staff's queues.

Recommendation 2c: The Grand Jury recommends that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors and City Councils of Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Carpinteria apply the ministerial approval process to all development projects comprising seventy five percent or more of low- income housing.

City of Carpinteria Response: Has been implemented.
The RMU zone district provides a ministerial approval process for projects with 20% or more affordable units, provided that they also meet all applicable Objective Design Standards. As part of the currently underway General Plan/Coastal Land Use Plan update, the City is

[4] The Objective Design Standards are codified as Carpinteria Municipal Code Chapter 14.51: https://library.municode.com/ca/carpinteria/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=TIT14ZO_CH14.51OBDEST

considering additional sites for redesignation to the RMU district which would expand the applicability of this ministerial permitting process to additional sites beyond the approximately 20 acres rezoned thus far.

Recommendation 2d: The Grand Jury recommends that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors and City Councils of Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Carpinteria conduct a review of all development and impact fees and find ways to waive, reduce or amortize fees for affordable housing projects.

City of Carpinteria Response: Has been implemented.
In 2010, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 5238 which grants a 50% reduction in Development Impact Fees for affordable housing developments providing 100% of the units to low- or very-low income households for a 55-year minimum term. More recently, as part of its 2023 Development Impact Fee Nexus Study, the City transitioned its fee program to a square footage-based rate whereby new dwelling units are charged based on the amount of habitable square footage rather than application of flat rates for single family and multifamily residential construction. This new fee structure seeks to ensure Development Impact Fees are more proportionately reflective of the demands placed on City services and infrastructure.

Going forward, as part of the 2023-2031 Housing Element Programs, the City has also committed to exploring and offering additional concessions and incentives for affordable housing projects. These include, but may not be limited to, considering the granting of fee deferrals, reductions, and waivers for affordable housing projects.

Finding 3: There are insufficient funds available to develop needed affordable housing.

City of Carpinteria Response: Agree.
The City's FY 2025-2027 Budget anticipates increased expenditures for day-to-day municipal operations as revenues remain flat, making it increasingly unlikely the City will have discretionary funds to utilize for housing development projects. Generally, City planning and building staff have observed dramatic increases in construction costs in recent years, further straining the already limited funding stream for affordable housing in the City. The City has recently contracted with a grant consultant to assist the City in seeking and applying for available grants across many fields, including affordable housing funds. While this partnership is brand new, City staff look forward to the opportunities this may bring in the coming years.

Recommendation 3a: The Grand Jury recommends that the City Councils of Goleta and Carpinteria establish dedicated housing trust funds, certified as Community Development Financial Institutions, to facilitate the building of affordable housing.

City of Carpinteria Response: Will not be implemented.
The City currently contracts with the Housing Trust Fund of Santa Barbara County to manage the City's Workforce Homebuyer Down Payment Loan Program, which was funded

by a one-time settlement payment. While all funding has been granted as of the end of 2024; additional loans could be granted pending the repayment of outstanding loans.

The City does not have the staff capacity, or fiscal means to operate its own housing trust fund. City staff identified 22 similarly-sized cities in California and found that only one had its own housing trust fund.[5] Nevertheless, as part of its FY25/27 Strategic Work Plan, the City intends to explore options for expanding its partnership with the Housing Trust Fund of Santa Barbara County, or establishing a partnership with another existing housing trust fund, to facilitate a Carpinteria-specific program.

Recommendation 3d: The Grand Jury recommends that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors and the City Councils of Santa Barbara, Goleta and Carpinteria promote contributions to their housing trust funds by other non-governmental organizations, the philanthropic community, and the public.

City of Carpinteria Response: Will not be implemented.
Similar to the above response, the City does not have the in-house staff capacity to solicit contributions to or manage a housing trust fund. The City remains committed to forming partnerships with organizations and the philanthropic community who can help support affordable housing opportunities or other housing resources in Carpinteria. For example, the City recently partnered with the Santa Barbara Foundation, a local 501(c)(3) organization, as a fiscal sponsor to allow charitable donations to a City-administered parks and recreation improvement fund. The fund enables individuals, businesses and philanthropic partners to make tax-deductible contributions towards priority projects. While this partnership is in its initial pilot stage, there are discussions of expanding the fund to cover additional projects, including but not limited to, affordable housing development.

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Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this Grand Jury Report.

Sincerely,

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City Manager

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[5] The City of Mill Valley, CA has a population of approximately 13,904 people and established its own housing trust fund in 2017 (source). Mill Valley is an affluent community with a median household income double that of Carpinteria, indicating it may have additional resources or staff to implement and fund a housing trust fund (source).

Agenda Section: Other Business
Agenda Item No.: 11
Council Meeting Date: September 8, 2025

City of Carpinteria

COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT

ITEM FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

City Logo Review and Adoption

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Adopt the City logo as presented.

Sample Motion: I move to adopt the City logo as presented.

BACKGROUND

The City of Carpinteria currently uses an official City seal as its sole visual identifier. The seal serves an important purpose in representing the City in formal, legal, and ceremonial contexts. However, as communication methods have evolved, the seal's intricate design has presented challenges in terms of scalability, color, and adaptability—particularly across digital platforms, signage, and other everyday uses.

In recent years, many municipalities in California have adopted a dual-symbol approach, maintaining the City seal for official, regulatory, and ceremonial use while also developing a separate City logo for broader communication purposes. Logos are typically designed to be clear, flexible, and easily recognizable across a wide range of formats. In many cases, logos are also used as a tool for expressing civic identity and fostering a sense of pride among residents and community stakeholders.

Across Santa Barbara County, many municipalities have taken varying approaches to the use of seals and logos:

- Cities of Buellton and Guadalupe currently utilize only a City seal.
- Cities of Santa Maria, Solvang, Lompoc, and Santa Barbara have both a City seal and a logo or wordmark.
- City of Goleta and County of Santa Barbara use a seal that also functions as a simplified logo or wordmark.

As the City of Carpinteria continues to engage with a broad audience—including residents, businesses, visitors, and partner agencies—questions around visual identity, clarity, and consistency have become increasingly relevant. The development of a City logo would not replace the existing seal, but rather serve as a complementary symbol for use in more general and community-facing applications.

This approach has been adopted by many cities as a way to balance tradition with the practical needs of modern communication. A City logo can also serve as a unifying visual element that reflects the character and values of the community, and can support consistent representation across departments, programs, and platforms.

DISCUSSION

The City of Carpinteria currently does not have an official city logo. This absence was identified as a key gap in the City's marketing, outreach, and communication efforts during recent internal assessments. While the official City seal serves an important ceremonial and legal role, it presents challenges when used across modern communication channels. The seal's intricate design and multiple colors make it difficult to reproduce clearly in small-scale or digital formats, limiting its effectiveness on platforms such as social media, apparel, promotional materials, and signage.

As a result, many City departments have independently developed visual elements to meet their needs, leading to a lack of consistency in how the City is represented. The adoption of an official logo would support a unified visual identity across departments and applications, while preserving the seal for formal, legal, and ceremonial use.

Project Process

In response to this identified need, City staff initiated a logo development process with the support of Hayley Fedders of Studio Seaside of Carpinteria and Lea Boyd of Two Trumpets Communications. A kickoff meeting was held on August 6, 2025, to establish project goals, define target audiences, and clarify the City's branding needs.

The following goals were identified for the project:

- Develop a clean, timeless, and versatile logo system that reflects the City of Carpinteria's natural beauty, connects with the local community, and is adaptable across all departments and media.
- Ensure the logo appeals to a broad audience while maintaining a professional and civic identity.
- Improve scalability and versatility for use in digital and physical applications.
- Incorporate recognizable local elements that are visually simple and not overly detailed or trendy.
- Create a logo system that allows department-level adaptability while supporting citywide uniformity.

- Design with bilingual accessibility in mind, maintaining both English and Spanish versions for inclusivity.
- Foster a sense of belonging and community ownership, reflecting Carpinteria's nature, heritage, and values in an approachable, enduring design.

Following the kickoff meeting, several design drafts were developed and circulated internally. Feedback was gathered from the City's management team to refine the visual direction. A revised version was then presented to the Public Engagement Committee on August 26, 2025. Both Vice Mayor Solorzano and Councilmember Nomura expressed agreement that the general style of the logo was an appropriate direction, with a few suggested modifications.

These recommended changes were incorporated into the revised logo being presented in this report. The updated design has since been circulated among City leadership for additional input, particularly regarding its use across departments and community-facing applications.

Rationale for Adoption:
The adoption of a City logo offers several benefits:

- **Legibility & Versatility**: The logo is more adaptable to small-scale and digital formats than the current seal, enabling use across websites, social media, printed materials, uniforms, and merchandise.
- **Consistency & Brand Cohesion**: A standardized logo supports consistent visual communication across departments, replacing the current patchwork of informal logos and adaptations.
- **Modern Branding Practices**: The use of both a seal and a logo aligns with common best practices among California municipalities, where the seal is reserved for formal functions and the logo is used for everyday and public-facing communication.
- **Community Identity & Pride**: A thoughtfully designed logo helps visually represent the values and identity of Carpinteria. The inclusive, bilingual, and community-centered design approach ensures the logo reflects a wide range of voices and experiences while celebrating the city's natural environment and heritage.
- **Connection to Place**: The new logo design prominently features the Carpinteria Bluffs, a treasured open space and natural landmark that holds deep meaning for residents and visitors alike. The Bluffs are not only visually iconic but also represent the community's shared commitment to preservation, coastal access, and environmental stewardship. Their inclusion in the logo reinforces a strong sense of place and collective pride.

Next Steps
Should the City Council approve the adoption of the new City logo, staff will begin implementing the updated visual identity across all materials moving forward. The existing City seal will continue to be used for ceremonial, legal, and regulatory purposes, preserving its formal and historic significance.

The City recognizes that older logos, such as the Parks and Recreation logo, are still present on many materials throughout the City—on signage, uniforms, apparel, and other assets. While it is not feasible or cost-effective to replace all of these immediately, the new logo will be incorporated as items are replenished or updated over time. This gradual transition approach ensures fiscal responsibility while steadily moving toward a more cohesive brand identity.

To support a smooth and consistent rollout, a City branding guide will be developed with the support of Two Trumpets Communications, and distributed to all departments. This guide will provide clear direction on:

- When to use the City logo versus the City seal
- Approved color palettes and typography
- Guidance for both print and digital applications
- Standards for department-level branding adaptations, where appropriate

The branding guide is intended to serve as an internal resource to help staff create visually appealing, professional, and consistent materials. It is not meant to limit creativity but rather to guide and empower staff to align with the City's identity. A unified branding approach will improve public recognition and engagement, elevate the professionalism of City communications, and clearly convey that materials are official City communications.

This phased implementation will enable the City to gradually replace outdated logos over time and unify its visual presence across outreach, signage, communications, and community programs—supporting clarity, accessibility, and inclusivity in all materials.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

The proposed logo development project and its adoption support the City's ongoing commitment identified in with City Council Primary Goal #1: Enhance Public Outreach, Education, and Transparency to enhancing accessibility, transparency, and public engagement. This initiative further aligns with all of the City Council's primary goals by promoting a more professional, cohesive, and unified identity across all City services. By standardizing the City's visual representation, the project strengthens public trust, improves communication, and furthers the City's objective to present itself as accessible, modern, and responsive to the community we serve.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

There are no new financial considerations associated with this project. Funding for the development of a new City logo was included in the approved FY 2025-2026 budget.

LEGAL AND RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS:

None.

PRINCIPAL PARTIES EXPECTED AT THE MEETING:

None.

OPTIONS:

1. Adopt the City logo as presented.
2. Adopt the City logo with minor modifications.
3. Do not adopt the City logo as presented and provide direction to staff as appropriate.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Brand Identity Presentation Document

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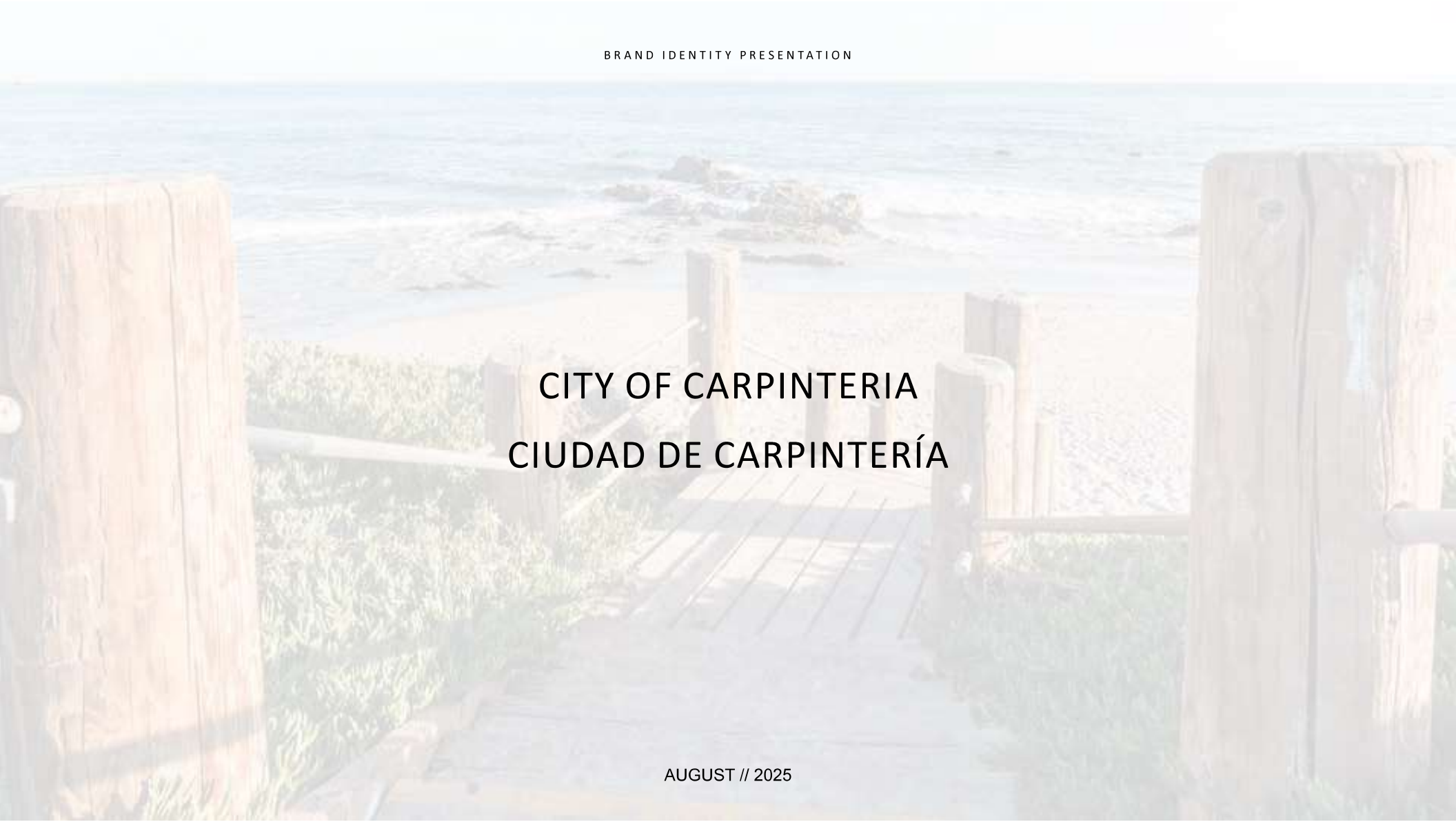
ATTACHMENT A

Brand Identity Presentation Document

BRAND IDENTITY PRESENTATION



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AUGUST // 2025

PROJECT GOAL

Create a clean, timeless, and versatile logo system for the City of Carpinteria that reflects the city's natural beauty, connects with the local community, and works across all departments and applications.

» Appeal to a broad audience while maintaining a professional, civic identity.
» Reduce complexity and number of colors for better scalability and versatility.
» Incorporate local, recognizable elements without becoming overly detailed or trendy.
» Provide a consistent visual system adaptable for each city department.
» Maintain English and Spanish versions for inclusivity.

WHO THIS IS FOR

CITY EMPLOYEES, STAFF, AND COUNCIL – INTERNAL USE

» To create a unified, professional look across all departments.
» Makes it easier to maintain brand consistency in reports, presentations, signage, and internal documents.

CITY EMPLOYEES, STAFF, AND COUNCIL – EXTERNAL USE

» Used in public-facing communications, marketing materials, signage, social media, and events.
» Builds recognition and trust by presenting a cohesive city identity.

RESIDENTS & LOCAL COMMUNITY

» Appeals to a broad and diverse audience, representing the character and pride of Carpinteria.
» Creates a sense of belonging and community ownership.
» Reflects local nature, heritage, and values in a timeless, approachable way.

Creative Direction

OVERALL FEEL

» Modern, clean, minimal, and versatile. Focused on creating a civic identity that is contemporary yet approachable, and easy to adapt for multiple city departments.

TYPOGRAPHY

» Sans serif for wide audience appeal — easy to read, scales well in print and digital, and works for bilingual versions.
» Weight variations (bold for “City of Carpinteria,” lighter for department names).

ICON STYLE

» Geometric, abstract shapes that suggest — but don’t literally depict — nature.
» Smooth curves or line work inspired by waves, mountain ranges, the horizon, or the sun.
» Layered shapes that could be re-colored or slightly adjusted for each department.

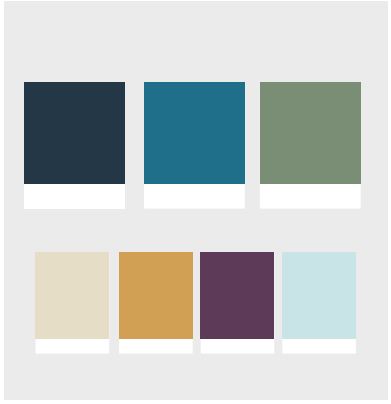
DEPARTMENT SYSTEM

» Each department has a unique abstract icon in the same style (e.g., Parks & Rec: stylized leaf or tree line; Library: open book shape made from wave curves; Public Works: simplified road or bridge line).
» Icon system ensures unity while allowing individuality.
» These will come later

PROS

» Feels fresh and forward-thinking.
» Easy to use across all platforms (web, print, signage, apparel).
» Abstract forms avoid over-specific imagery, keeping it relevant for decades.

UNIQUE ABSTRACT ICON OF EACH DEPARTMENT



PRIMARY AND SECONDARY COLOR PALETTES

SANS SERIF FONT WITH WEIGHT VARIATIONS

LOGO MARK INCORPORATED IN WITH MAIN LOGO

GEOMETRIC, ABSTRACT SHAPES THAT SUGGEST A LOCAL LANDMARK

PRIMARY LOGO ENGLISH

PRIMARY LOGO SPANISH

LOGO MARK

Recognizable and specific visual representation of Carpinteria's iconic bluffs.

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FONT CHOICE

Mico-serif font that is classic and timeless, pairs well with the more detailed logo mark.

COLOR

Midnight blue for the logo type maximizes legibility.

PRIMARY LOGO MARK

SYMBOLISM

Coastal bluffs with ocean horizon looking towards Rincon.

LOGO VARIATIONS

PRIMARY LOGO ENGLISH

CITY OF
CARPINTERIA

ALTERNATE LOGO ENGLISH

PRIMARY LOGO SPANISH

CIUDAD DE
CARPINTERÍA

ALTERNATE LOGO SPANISH

DEPARTMENT NAME VARIATION EXAMPLES

CITY OF
CARPINTERIA
COMMUNITY LIBRARY

CITY OF
CARPINTERIA
COMMUNITY LIBRARY

CIUDAD DE
CARPINTERÍA
BIBLIOTECA COMUNITARIA

CIUDAD DE
CARPINTERÍA
BIBLIOTECA COMUNITARIA

CITY OF
CARPINTERIA
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

CITY OF
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UNIQUE DEPARTMENT ICON EXAMPLE

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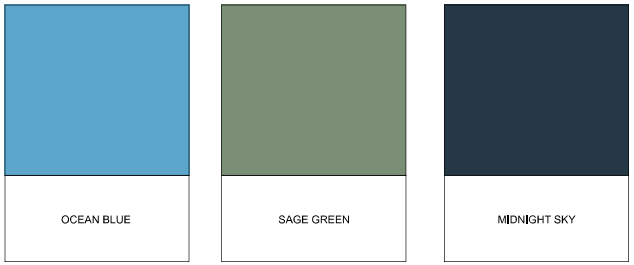
COLOR PALETTE



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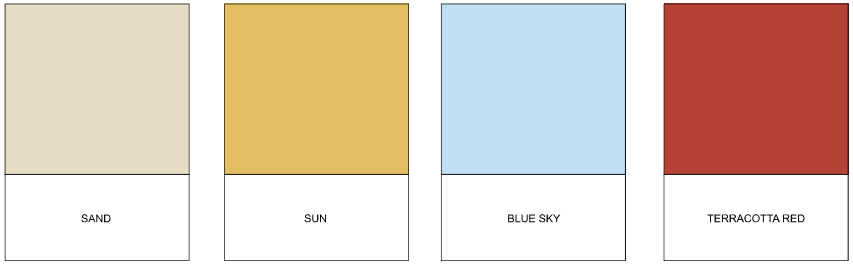

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CITY OF
CARPINTERIA

March 6, 2009
Angela Property
220 Corporation Way
Somwhereville, VA 22590

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John Doe

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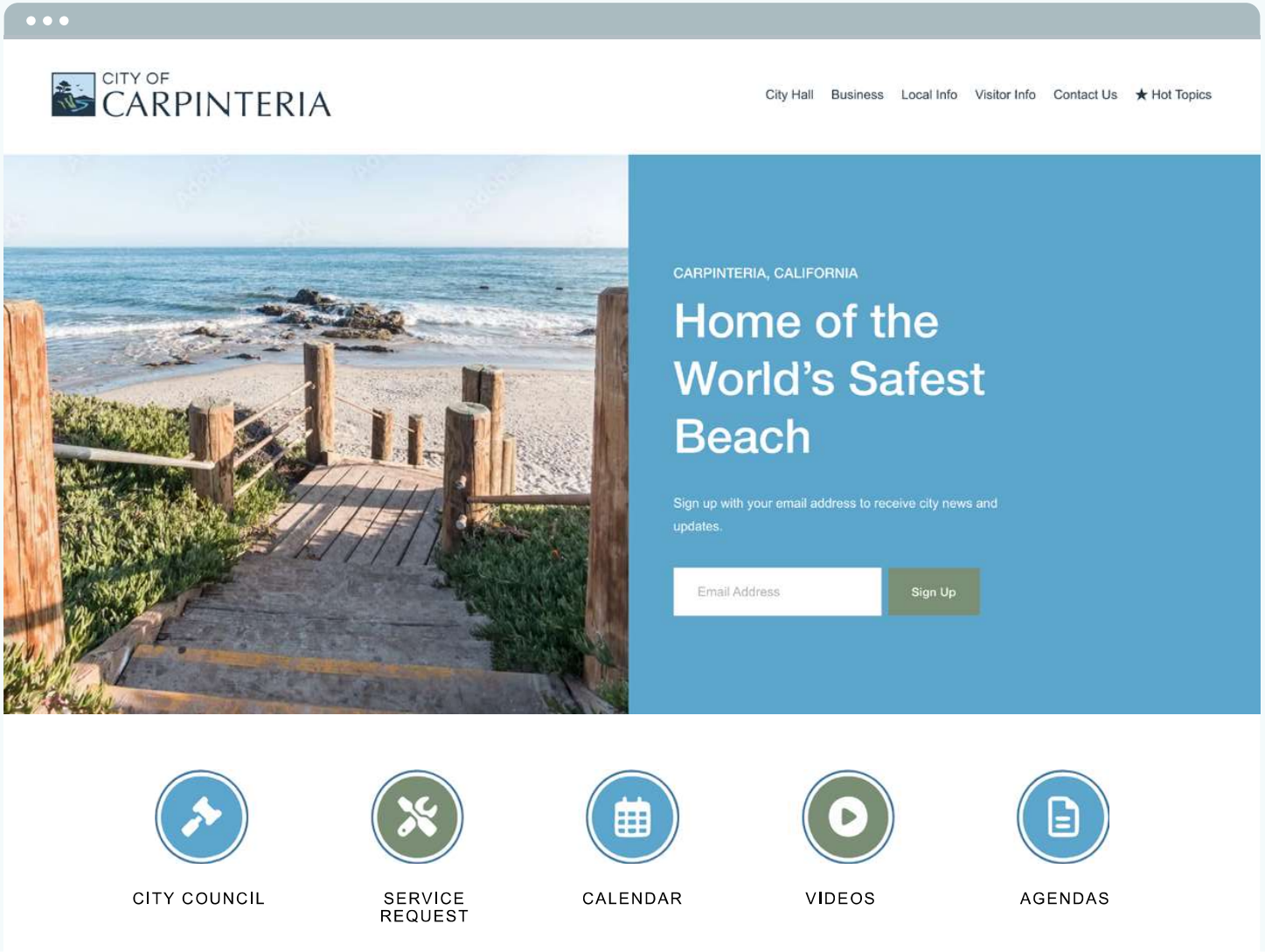

Agenda Section: Legislative Update

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Take Action

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Oppose Unless Amended SB 364 (Strickland) Outdoor advertising displays: customary maintenance: permits.

SB 364 expands the definitions of "customary maintenance provisions" of an outdoor advertising display under the Outdoor Advertising Act to include replacing or eliminating structural members, posts, and internal bracing of billboards. These changes are in direct conflict with decades of California case law and local permitting authority.

Why this is important to Cal Cities members:

- SB 364 would allow billboard companies to dramatically alter structures and bypass all local input and control, creating significant safety and environmental risks.
- SB 364 would expose cities to costly lawsuits if they try to enforce safety, environmental, or cultural protections that the bill exempts from review.

Action requested: Send a letter to your Assembly Member **today** to **oppose unless amended SB 364 (Strickland) Outdoor advertising displays: customary maintenance: permitting,** which conflicts with decades of case law related to local regulations of outdoor billboard advertising. SB 364 has been referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee and may move to the Assembly floor before the legislative session ends on Sept. 12.

How to contact your Legislator: Find Your California Representatives

Supporting documents: Cal Cities Opposition Letter; Sample SB 364, City Opposition Letter

Questions? Contact your Regional Public Affairs Manager *or* Damon Conklin, Legislative Advocate, dconklin@calcities.org

Support Climate Safe Infrastructure Priorities in Cap-and-Trade Reauthorization

The Legislature is moving forward to reauthorize the state's Cap-and-Trade Program, which is set to expire in 2030. High-emitting businesses, which represent roughly three-quarters of the state's emissions, are required by the state to reduce greenhouse gases. However, they can buy a limited number of credits each year — the "cap" — from the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to cover their emissions. The process creates a market price for the credits, with auction proceeds going toward the state's Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.

Cal Cities is leading a coalition alongside local government, transportation, and labor partners to urge state leaders to prioritize climate-safe infrastructure improvements during their negotiations, which will last through the end of the legislative session. Strong city voices today will help ensure future investments prioritize funding to cities.

Contact your legislators to request support for climate safe infrastructure projects and program funding from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, as part of the Cap-and-Trade reauthorization negotiations.

Cities are strongly encouraged to submit a letter of support to their legislators as well as Senator Monique Limón and Assembly Member Jacqui Irwin — the two lawmakers leading the negotiations.

Supporting documents: coalition priorities; sample city letter

How to contact your Legislator: Find Your California Representatives

Questions? Contact your Regional Public Affairs Manager or Legislative Advocate Melissa Sparks-Kranz at msparkskranz@calcities.org

Support SB 346 (Durazo) Transient Occupancy Taxes: Short-term Rental Facilitator

What the Bill Does: Enables enforcement of local ordinances related to short-term rentals, including the collection and remittance of transient occupancy taxes (TOT) by providing cities with the physical address of each short-term rental listed on the facilitator's website and full audit authority of TOT dollars. This bill ensures that the correct amount of TOT is being collected and remitted and allows for more effective enforcement against unlicensed units.

Action Requested: Ask your Assembly Member to **Support SB 346 (Durazo) Local Agencies: transient occupancy taxes: short-term rental facilitator (as amended 7/7/25).** SB 346 is a Cal Cities-sponsored bill that will be heard on the Assembly floor when the Legislature returns from summer recess in early August. Please talk to your Assembly Member in the district AND send a letter of support for SB 346.

What else you need to know: Unfortunately, short-term rental providers are engaging in an all-out lobbying blitz to oppose SB 346 and mislead the public about the impact on consumers. City officials should talk to their Assembly Members ASAP about the impacts of short-term rentals in their communities and why it is important that short-term rentals pay their fair share of TOT in the communities they do business in.

Links and Attachments: Cal Cities letter; sample city support letter

Where to Send Letter: *See sample letter for legislative portal link. Send copy to cityletters@calcities.org, and your regional manager's email.*

Oppose SB 445 (Wiener): Transportation Projects: Permitting

SB 445 makes sweeping changes to the state's process for permitting local projects and significantly impairs local governments' ability to manage public infrastructure, ensure worker and public safety, and coordinate across infrastructure sectors. Most concerningly, the bill grants project proponents—public or private—the authority to advance projects that could significantly alter or relocate critical infrastructure such as water, wastewater, and power, without consulting the affected city.

Call or text your Assembly Member **today** to **OPPOSE SB 445 (Wiener), which was amended this week to remove local discretion on infrastructure projects.** SB 445 is currently in the Assembly Committee on Transportation, awaiting a hearing.

How to contact your Legislator: Find Your California Representatives

Supporting documents: Cal Cities Opposition Letter; Sample SB 445 City Opposition Letter

Questions? Contact your Regional Public Affairs Manager *or* Damon Conklin, Legislative Advocate, dconklin@calcities.org

Oppose SB 79 (Wiener): The wrong way to go about solving our housing crisis

SB 79 (Wiener) requires cities to ministerially approve higher-density residential projects

— up to 7 stories — near public transit stops, regardless of zoning codes. SB 79 limits the use of local development standards and allows transit agencies land-use authority over residential and commercial development on property they own or lease, without any requirement that developers build housing, let alone affordable housing. This one-size-fits-all mandate overrides local planning, bypasses environmental review, and silences public input. Cities must **oppose SB 79** to preserve balanced, community-driven development.

Call or text your Assembly Member **today** to **OPPOSE** SB 79 (Wiener) **Transit-oriented Development.** SB 79 will be heard in the Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee on July 2.

How to contact your Assembly Member: Find Your California Representatives

Supporting documents: Cal Cities Opposition Letter

Questions? Contact your Regional Public Affairs Manager or Jason Rhine, Senior Director, Legislative Affairs.

Cal Cities SB 79 Opposition Letter

SB 79 Sample City Opposition Letter

Oppose AB 339 (Ortega) Local public employee organizations: notice requirements.

AB 339 (Ortega) requires the governing body of a public agency, board, or commission to give a recognized employee organization written notice regarding contracts to perform services that are within the scope of work of the job classifications represented by the recognized employee organization. As currently drafted, AB 339 is impractical in its execution, unworkable for ensuring provision of public services, and disincentivizes reaching final agreement in local labor negotiations.

Send a letter **today** to **OPPOSE AB 339 (Ortega) Local public employee organizations: notice requirements.** AB 339 is scheduled to be heard in the Senate Labor, Public Employees and Retirement (PERS) Committee on Wednesday, June 18. If your city is represented by a Senator on the Senate PERS Committee, please CALL them to request their NO vote.

Where to send your letter: See sample city letter link for legislative portal submission instructions. Send a copy to *cityletters@calcities.org and your RPAM's email.*

Supporting documents: Cal Cities Opposition Letter

Questions? Contact your Regional Public Affairs Manager *or* Johnnie Piña.

AB 339 Sample City Opposition Letter

Make phone calls ASAP requesting the appropriations committees to support or oppose Cal Cities' priority bills!

Links to each bill, including sample letters, are included in the summaries below.

The Legislature moves all bills with fiscal implications through the appropriations committees twice a year, which will determine if a bill is heard on the floor of either house. Cal Cities hosted a Legislative Appropriations Webinar with more information on Cal Cities priority bills. If you have questions or feedback, please contact your regional public affairs manager.

SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

SUPPORT BILLS

SB 496 (Hurtado) Advance Clean Fleets Reform.
This measure would create a formal appeals process for denied extension requests, broaden the definition of emergency vehicles, and remove the "pay to play" requirement for extensions under the Advanced Clean Fleets rule.

SB 569 (Blakespear) Homeless Encampment Collaboration Act.
This measure would increase communication between the Department of Transportation and local governments to address encampments on state property. This would include a dedicated local government liaison to facilitate communication, provide guidance on best practices, and oversee delegated maintenance agreements.

OPPOSE BILL

SB 79 (Wiener) Transit-Oriented Development.
This measure would require cities to ministerially approve housing up to 7 stories high and with a density of 120 homes per acre near public transit, regardless of local zoning laws. It also gives transit agencies full land-use authority on land they own without any requirement to build housing.

Call the Senate Appropriations Committee Today!

Senate Committee Members	**Phone Number**
Sen. Anna Caballero (Chair)	(916) 651-4014

Senate Committee Members	Phone Number
Sen. Kelly Seyarto (Vice-Chair)	(916) 651-4032
Sen. Christopher Cabaldon	(916) 651-4003
Sen. Megan Dahle	(916) 651-4001
Sen. Tim Grayson	(916) 651-4009
Sen. Laura Richardson	(916) 651-4035
Sen. Aisha Wahab	(916) 651-4410

ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

SUPPORT BILLS

AB 1 (Connolly) Residential property insurance: wildfire risk.
This measure would require the Department of Insurance to include wildfire mitigation in the next draft of the Catastrophe Modeling regulations.

AB 476 (Gonzalez) Metal Theft.
This measure would deter theft of metal used in public utility infrastructure by increasing the criminal fines that may be imposed for the unlawful purchase or unlawful possession of stolen public agency materials.

AB 650 (Papan) Planning and zoning: housing element: regional housing needs allocation.
This measure would allow local governments to begin the housing element update process six months earlier and create more clarity and certainty in the housing element review process. It would require the Department of Housing and Community Development to provide detailed feedback when responding to housing element drafts.

AB 846 (Connolly): Endangered species: incidental take: wildfire preparedness activities.
The bill would expedite environmental permits for cities with local wildfire preparedness projects in fire-risk areas near urban communities.

AB 888 (Calderon) California Safe Homes Grant Program.
This bill would create the California Safe Homes Grant Program which would provide funding to individuals, cities, counties and special districts for roof hardening and home hardening.

OPPOSE BILLS

AB 1383 (McKinnor) Public Employees' Retirement Benefits.
AB 1383 would upend many of the reforms put in place in 2013 by PEPRA.

Specifically, this measure would:

- Increase the pensionable compensation cap.
- Reduce the retirement age for public safety from 57 to 55 prospectively.
- Add a fourth safety tier that is 3% @ 55 years old, prospective and subject to bargaining;
- Allow local agencies to adjust their local formula in a prospective manner.
- Permit authorized employee representatives to bargain with the employer over the employee share of payment for the normal cost.

While we recognize and appreciate the intent of the bill to support the recruitment and retention of essential public safety professionals, the bill would impose increased local pension obligations and undo critical pension reform.

AB 1022 (Kalra) Parking: Ability to Tow.
This measure would prohibit the towing or immobilizing of vehicles that have accrued 5 or more delinquent parking citations. Specifically, AB 1022 would:

- Eliminates the option for parking enforcement to immobilize or tow an out-of-state vehicle.
- Remove the tool for agencies to rightfully obtain a warrant to perform a tow.
- Reward bad behavior for those who purposely ignore tickets without any repercussions, regardless of income levels.

This legislation would severely limit cities' ability to enforce parking regulations, causing a cascade of fiscal damage: lost revenue, increased administrative costs, clogged courtrooms, decreased compliance, harm to local businesses, public safety risks, and overall reduced effectiveness of municipal government operations.

Call the Assembly Appropriations Committee Today!

Assembly Committee Members	**Phone Number**
Asm. Buffy Wicks (Chair)	(916) 319-2014
Asm. Kate Sanchez (Vice Chair)	(916) 319-2071
Asm. Joaquin Arambula	(916) 319-2031
Asm. Blanca Pacheco	(916) 319-2064

Assembly Committee Members	Phone Number
Asm. Lisa Calderon	(916) 319-2056
Asm. Jessica Caloza	(916) 319-2052
Asm. Diane Dixon	(916) 319-2072
Asm. Sade Elhawary	(916) 319-2057
Asm. Mike Fong	(916) 319-2049
Asm. Gail Pellerin	(916) 319-2028
Asm. Mark Gonzalez	(916) 319-2054
Asm. Gregg Hart	(916) 319-2037
Asm. Jose Luis Solache Jr.	(916) 319-2062
Asm. Tri Ta	(916) 319-2070
Asm. David Tangipa	(916) 319-2008

For more information, please contact your regional public affairs manager.

Help provide greater clarity to the housing element process by supporting AB 650 (Papan)!

AB 650 (Papan) would help ensure that cities have the necessary resources, feedback, and time to site and plan for housing, as required by state law. The Assembly Committee on Housing and Community Development will hear the bill on April 24. Cities should call or mail their legislators and tell them to **vote YES on AB 650**. Please send letters to cityletters@calcities.org and your regional public affairs manager.

AB 650 Sample City Support Letter