



MONTA LOMA NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

THE SCOOP: ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The Monta Loma Ice Cream Social is planned for Sunday, August 24th, from 3:00–5:00pm in Monta Loma Park.

Catch up with neighbors, check out information tables, join the MLN Olympics, enjoy cotton candy, balloon animals, and more.

This event can't happen without neighborhood volunteer support!
E-mail eventcoordinator@montaloma.org if you can help out.

What to see and do at the Ice Cream Social

By Marilyn Gildea

The MLNA Ice Cream Social is our biggest social event of the year, and your best opportunity to meet your neighbors.

Visit a welcome table first and sign in (our insurance requires it). Write your name and street on a name tag so your neighbors can meet you.



In addition to a free frozen treat, you will find much to see and do. "Gizmo Gary" Heyman will twist balloons. Our CERT members will display equipment and information to help us stay safe

during a disaster. Wouter Suverkropp will drive a robot buggy. Alan Whitaker is bringing endangered-butterfly and host-plants information. The Garden Club will host a plant-and-seed-exchange table (free plants). Tom Purcell displays Monta Loma history items. The Welcome Team has information for newcomers.

New displays by neighbors: Jim Zaorski and Vivek Chopra are working with the MVD to enhance surveillance and discourage thieves from targeting our neighborhood. Dotty Calabrese will share birding information. Stiv Ostberg will demonstrate ham radio.

The Mountain View Whisman School District will share a table with the elementary school, and the MLE PTA will offer information and membership signups.

From the City expect information on recreation, recycling, and Sustainability and Resiliency programs. The Multicultural Engagement Program offers information in Russian and Chinese.

The Mountain View Historical Association's Robert Cox will again offer books and stationery.

The Fire Department plans to send an engine and hopes to be able to create another shower-with-rainbow.

Check montaloma.org for updates as August 24 draws near.



The city manager, members of the City Council, and the members of the Mountain View Whisman School District and the Mountain View Los Altos High School District boards have also been invited.

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ANNUAL MEETING FOLLOW UP

City Manager and Police Chief speak to Monta Loma at Neighborhood Annual Meeting

by Cheryl Smith

More than 50 residents attended the Annual Meeting on May 28 to hear guest speaker City Manager Kimbra McCarthy. She showed slides as she explained how the City works and the council's seven Strategic Priorities, then addressed topics that will affect our neighborhood.

- **The future park at 538 Thompson Ave.** Monta Loma residents will be invited to participate in the design, scheduled to begin later this year. The City has purchased one adjoining property, 2231 W. Middlefield Rd., and hopes to purchase adjacent properties to enlarge the future park.
- **The Rengstorff Avenue Grade Separation Project** (tinyurl.com/MLNA-Rengstorff). Due to the increase in cost, the project to lower Rengstorff Avenue to pass under the Caltrain tracks has been postponed. The City is looking for money to fill the gap.
- **The San Antonio Corridor Plan** (paltoalto.gov/SanAntonioAreaPlan). This will impact our neighborhood directly due to our proximity. Monta Loma residents were urged to participate in the planning process.

Phil Winters has written an article detailing the proposed changes. See page 9.

Police Updates

- **Newly installed ALPRs (Automated License Plate Readers) with FLOCK brand cameras.** Police Chief Mike Canfield explained that by working with other police departments, the MVPD tracked a car that had been used in multiple burglaries, including several in Monta Loma. When the car was identified, a SWAT team was sent to the driver's location, where jewelry and firearms were found.
- **The Mountain View Transparency dashboard** (tinyurl.com/MLNA-Police). The dashboard shows a decrease in the number of crimes in our area. Chief Canfield encouraged residents to use the Portal and to give feedback.
- **The Monta Loma Community Portal** (tinyurl.com/MLNA-PoliceEvidence). Monta Loma is the first neighborhood to pilot a portal to upload digital evidence to the Mountain View Police Department. Content would include footage from Ring or security cameras that may be useful to track down burglary suspects.

Jim Zaorski and Vivek Chopra are working on a project to make this a robust system. Read more on page 7.

MONTA LOMA MUSIC NEWS

Local Live Music

Monta Loman Pete Sommer plays original songs and favorite covers in a “Songwriters in the Round” series with Gary Nobile and Nate Walker. The three sit on bar stools with their guitars and a microphone and take turns sharing songs in a format popular in Nashville.



- Friday, August 8, 2025
6:00–9:00pm
Luttikens in Menlo Park
- Sunday August 17, 2025
6:00–8:30pm
Cats in Los Gatos
- Sunday, September 7, 2025
6:00–8:30pm
Cats in Los Gatos
- Friday, September 12, 2025
6:00–9:00pm
Luttikens in Menlo Park

Community School of Music And Arts (CSMA)

This music and art school for adults and children is located on San Antonio road. Upcoming sessions run September through January. arts4all.org

Mountain View Neighborhoods Committee awards grant to MLNA

The city’s Neighborhood Grant Program provides annual grants “to help resident-based groups carry out programs and activities designed to improve participation and neighborhood conditions.” The Neighborhoods Committee (CNC) members awarded the MLNA the amount of \$2,667. The grant helps pay for block parties and the Ice Cream Social. We receive the funds after MLNA Treasurer Andre Valente submits original receipts. For details on how to plan your block party, see Block Parties at montaloma.org.

Neighborhood Music Share

Hosts: Lindsay and John Sterling

Gather with fellow adult musicians in Monta Loma to share acoustic music with a friendly audience of neighbors. All levels are welcome. Piano present onsite. Bring any other instruments. We usually each play a couple of songs then sing some songs together. Email lindsay@lindsaysterling.com to be included in email updates about these events.

- Saturday, October 25, 2025
2:00–4:00pm
290 Laura Lane
- Saturday, January 24, 2026
2:00–4:00pm
290 Laura Lane
- Saturday, April 25, 2026
2:00–4:00pm
290 Laura Lane

Community School of Music And Arts (CSMA) Community Choir

Explore diverse genres and styles under the direction of Von Bringhurst, a classically trained professional singer and choral director. No auditions necessary, all levels and voice parts welcome.

Mondays, September 8, through
January 12, 7:00–8:30pm arts4all.org

Neighborhood Resources

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

Tim Slattery, 650-964-6389
CERT@montaloma.org

Neighborhood Watch Coordinator

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MontaLomaNBC@gmail.com

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Also, thank you to Bill Cranston for printing the newsletters.

Do you have an hour to spare? We welcome new volunteers, even if you can help only occasionally. It’s a great way to get to know your neighborhood and get an hour’s exercise.

Contact Linda Powers at
lindapowers.007@gmail.com

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Welcome Team update

By John Canata

The Welcome Team is alive and kicking and its members Nirvana, Andrea, and myself recently met to lay out future plans for the team.

The committee wishes you all a Happy, Healthy Summer 2025. We were so happy to be able to share information about our wonderful neighborhood at our last meet and greet at our local Starbucks on Saturday, June 28, and we thank our local Starbucks and its manager Jennifer for allowing us to use the facility to have the meet and greet there. The team is excited to share that information at the Ice Cream Social on Sunday, August 24, and look forward to seeing everyone.



Please feel free to contact the welcome team at welcome-team@montaloma.org or contact John at 650-269-5646 for further information.

Strike or Spare? Join a Bowling League!

By John Canata

Would you like to meet some friendly folks, have fun, and bowl at the same time? We're looking for anyone over the age of 55 who would like to join our friendly, fabulous, Monday morning bowling league at Homestead Bowl. It doesn't matter whether you bowl 50 or 250. We just want to have some new folks join us for a great 2.5-3 hours of fun and friendship. The first day of the Fall bowling league is September 8. We bowl every Monday for about 36 weeks. If you need to miss a week every once in a while during the course of the league that's ok too.



If interested, please contact Linda Kohlrust, x5granma@gmail.com, 408-306-8334, one of our two friendly and fun-loving secretaries to get more information and learn more. If you want to talk more, I am happy to talk to you about this. John Canata on Mardell Way, 650-269-5646.

City-Wide Garage Sale Sept. 13 & 14

Plan to participate in the citywide garage sale, or to enjoy strolling the neighborhood to greet your neighbors. Last year, almost 50 MLN households registered with the City. More neighbors set out their no-longer-needed items out when they saw how many shoppers were coming by.



Fun Fact: Having the highest concentration of dots on the sale-locations map was probably why a TV film crew visited Monta Loma in 2022, specifically, the multi-family sale that Jen Mills and Jo Chun-Wood hosted to benefit Scout Troop 87. (It raised over \$700.) See the footage at tinyurl.com/MLNonTV.

Visit mountainview.gov/our-city/departments/public-works/recycling-zero-waste/events/citywide-garage-sale to register your sale and find tips on planning your sale and disposing of your leftovers without sending them to the dump.

Plan a block party

A block party is a great way to meet your neighbors, build the camaraderie that helps keep our neighborhood safe, and compile a list of each other's contact



information. To promote these goals, the MLNA will help pay for your party. Four parties have been held, and more are planned through mid-October. If your street hasn't yet scheduled one, the after-summer-vacation season is a good time to hold it. However, consider avoiding the garage-sale weekend, Sept. 13/14, due to increased traffic in the neighborhood.

To block off a street you must obtain a permit and allow at least 30 days for it to be processed. For how-to information, including reimbursement process, how to borrow orange safety cones and Road Closed signs, go to montaloma.org/events/block-parties/

Our Neighborhood Watch Captain, Tom Purcell on Alvin, would be happy to visit your party to meet your neighbors and discuss security. Contact Tom at MontaLomaNBC@gmail.com.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Nature and Art: Visit the Trolls!

By Olga Bright

Are you looking for a fun trip with your family and particularly your young children this summer? Filoli Historic House and Garden has a fantastic and fun Troll art exhibit which embraces nature and recycling entitled “Save the Humans”. It features 6 huge



trolls which inspire adults and children to be good stewards of the earth. Each Troll has a different theme and the Troll map tells you where to find the trolls in the Filoli Gardens. The trolls are built with reclaimed materials and they are on a monumental scale and therefore fun for children to climb on! The giant trolls are designed by Thomas Dambo, a Danish a recycle art activist. He shows his trolls all around the world. Many trolls are being or have been exhibited in Maine and Colorado as well as in Australia and Chile and Northern Ireland. We are fortunate because Filoli has 6 trolls to admire and enjoy!

The Thomas Dambo trolls at Filoli Gardens all have unique names and backstories. Each troll has a specific role in the exhibit's narrative, which encourages visitors to think about recycling, nature, and art. Here's a little more about each troll, according to In Menlo and Filoli.

Rosa Sunfinger (pictured left with red car used as a planter): An introverted troll who cares for plants and other green creatures.

Basse Buller: A wild artist who uses natural materials like mud to create art and express his message.

Ibbi Pip: A handy, optimistic troll who is a friend to all animals and builds birdhouses to encourage humans to think about sharing the world.

Kamma Can: A creative troll who sees potential in discarded materials and enjoys transforming them into art.

Sofus Lotus: An introverted troll who pays close attention to the small details of nature.

Ronja Redeye: A skilled communicator who uses words to inspire others and is a natural leader among the trolls.

Reserve your entrance to Filoli Historic House and Gardens through their website (filoli.org). Tickets for children under 5 are free.

The Mountain View Library, through the Discover and Go pass, has some limited availability for tickets to Filoli. Rebecca Gamboa at the Mountain View Library suggests calling at the first of the month to check on availability.

Enjoy the trolls in a beautiful natural setting and celebrate nature until November 10th!

Monta Loma Email list moves to new host

Due to increasing difficulties with the server used for the neighborhood email list, co-moderator (with Debbie Cunningham) Apollinaris “Apo” Schoell moved the list to a new server earlier this summer. All current users were notified and sent instructions on how to register and use the new address for sending messages. The switch, plus answering questions from users, required a lot of Apo's time, which is much appreciated.



The neighborhood email list a valuable asset to our neighborhood. We use it to find, sell, borrow, and give away items; ask questions; post lost-and-found requests; and to alert one another on timely local issues, potential criminal activity and general information sharing unique to our neighborhood.

Information and the sign-up form is at montaloma-post.groups.io/g/share. Or go to montaloma.org and find MLN Email List under the Monta Loma or the Resources headings.

Turning Conflict into Collaboration: 50 Years of Mountain View's Mediation Program

By Karla Valente

For half a century, the Mountain View Mediation Program has quietly helped residents resolve thousands of disputes—without lawyers, courtrooms, or high costs. Since its founding in 1975, the free, confidential service has settled over 9,000 conflicts involving landlords and tenants, neighbors, coworkers, and roommates.



At the core of the program are volunteer mediators—local residents trained to guide tough conversations with empathy and neutrality. “If it’s a situation where communication can help, we’re here for that,” says Karla Valente, Co-Chair of the program.

Mediation offers an alternative to legal action, often proving faster, more affordable, and less stressful. Participants remain in control of the outcome while being supported in a safe, respectful setting. “We’re not judges and don’t give legal advice,” Karla explains. “We create space for people to talk and find their own solutions.”

To access the service, residents can call 650-960-0495 or email mediate4mv@housing.org. Project Sentinel administers the program, helping individuals determine whether mediation is the right fit. Sessions typically take place within a week or two, either via Zoom or in neutral locations like City Hall or the Library.



- o Helps people come together
- o Aids in communication
- o Settles disputes outside of court

The process is effective: over 80% of cases reach resolution. Yet despite this success, the program’s biggest challenge remains visibility. “Too many people don’t know we exist,” Karla notes. “We want more people to know this resource is available.”

As Mountain View’s population grows and diversifies, the program also seeks mediators who reflect the city’s languages and cultures. Bilingual and cross-culturally aware volunteers are especially needed.

New volunteers receive comprehensive city-funded training every spring. Applicants must live, work, or own property in Mountain View and commit to volunteering a few hours monthly. “We look for empathetic, neutral problem-solvers who reflect our city’s diversity,” Karla says.

With a background in law and international negotiations, Karla finds mediation personally meaningful. “Many conflicts stem from miscommunication or fear of difficult conversations. Mediation helps people move forward.”

Celebrating its 50th anniversary, the program is as relevant as ever. “These skills—listening, empathy, collaboration—are essential,” Karla adds. “They strengthen the community.”

To learn more or get involved, contact the Mountain View Mediation Program at 650-960-0495, email mediate4mv@housing.org, or reach out to Karla directly at kdlvalente@gmail.com.

Seems suspicious? Call it in

At the meeting with Police Department personnel in March and again at the Annual Meeting in May, Police Chief Mike Canfield stressed that if you see something that seems suspicious, call Non-Emergency Dispatch at 650-903-6344, and let the MVPD decide.



If you put that number in your phone, you can call on the spot and give the police details they may ask for.

Photos are always helpful, especially of license plates.

Bookmobile schedule

The Bookmobile will visit Monta Loma Elementary School from 2:55 to 3:45pm on Tuesdays: Aug. 26, Sept. 16, Oct. 7 & 28, and Dec. 2.

More information is at library.mountainview.gov/connect/okmobile-service.



BIRDING IN MONTA LOMA

Nuttall's Woodpecker

By Dotty Calabrese

The most common woodpecker in the Monta Loma Neighborhood is our year-round resident, the Nuttall's Woodpecker. At 7"-7 1/2" long, it is considered a small woodpecker, with a black back adorned with white horizontal striping.



Nuttall's Woodpecker
(female)

Its white breast has black spotting; its black head boasts white stripes on the cheeks, a white chin, and a bit of white above the bill. A red crown patch graces the head of the male.

Most websites and bird books describe the Nuttall's Woodpecker as a resident of oak forests and mixed oak woodlands. However, it seems right at home in our Monta Loma older trees. A resident of most of California, the Nuttall's Woodpecker does live in northern Baja Mexico and is sometimes seen in very southern Oregon.

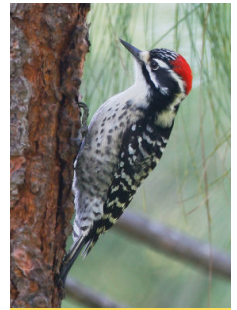
The best way to find the Nuttall's Woodpecker in the neighborhood on your walks is to familiarize yourself with its loud, rattling call (search "Nuttall's Woodpecker call" online,) or to listen for "hammering" on trees or telephone poles.

This woodpecker, like most, eats primarily insects of many kinds, from ants to caterpillars to beetles, as well as some nuts, seeds, berries, and fruit.

A suet feeder is a good way to attract woodpeckers to your yard. I've read and found that Hot Pepper Suet is about the only suet that squirrels will leave alone. Birds cannot taste hot pepper, but squirrels can!

Email your bird questions to me at dottycala@aol.com

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Nuttall's Woodpecker
(male)

Security-Camera Footage Sharing Project

By Jim Zaorski

Monta Loma has seen a rise in property crimes over the past year, including residential burglaries, porch thefts, and catalytic converter thefts. In response, the Mountain View Police Department (MVPD) held a community meeting in March at Monta Loma School, attended by over 50 residents. MVPD Chief Mike Canfield and his team discussed ways to improve neighborhood security.

Following that meeting, Vivek Chopra and I launched a project to streamline the way residents share outdoor security camera footage with the police. The goal is to speed up investigations by combining resident-provided footage with the City's new video-camera system.

Here's how the system would work: After a crime, MVPD identifies an area of concern. Participating residents with outdoor cameras receive an email requesting footage from a specific date and time. The email will include instructions for securely uploading the footage to assist in the investigation.

Importantly, the police will not have direct access to anyone's cameras, and participation is always voluntary. We believe that this system will help deter crime by making Monta

Loma a "risky place to do business" for criminals. To launch the program, we've outlined six steps:

1. Build a database of residents willing to share footage.
2. Collect names, addresses, and camera types.
3. Test integration with MVPD systems.
4. Develop tools to streamline footage requests.
5. Beta test with a small group of residents.
6. Resolve issues and expand across Monta Loma.

So far, we've created the database and an online form for residents to register their cameras. We aim to populate the database by September 15 and roll out the project by year's end. If successful, it could expand citywide.

To register your camera, visit:

forms.gle/gCQ5TQ2fzYQhR8kD9 or by scanning the QR code.

To volunteer tech skills or offer feedback

Email vivekchopra@gmail.com or

jim.zaorski@gmail.com



Local, new Movie Theater: a First-Visit Review!

By Sarah Doxiadis

Within a quick drive, bike/scooter ride, or a short, 20-30 minute walk, Monta Loma, families, and friends can now enjoy a new entertainment venue: The Alamo Drafthouse & Dumbots Bar, opened June 16, 2025.

Visit the website, drafthouse.com/sf/theater/mountain-view, to find show listings and times. Mountain View, Valley Fair, and San Francisco, are all considered part of the San Francisco Bay area Alamo Drafthouse locations.

You can buy your tickets online. It is easier to download the Alamo Drafthouse phone app, create a free membership, and buy your tickets online for a small fee. When you are seated, your server will come by to verify your tickets in the app on your phone.

You order food and drink from your server, pre-show, and during the show. There's a full-order menu on the table at your seat. Low-cost dining is available with many "bottomless" food and beverage offerings (including several varieties of popcorn). We ordered the nachos with queso (fresh chips and thick, medium spice sauce) and the 10" Marguerita pizza (crispy thin crust, ample and tasty toppings). All the food we tried was tasty; sharing was easy! We would probably order the pizza again, but the nachos were perhaps a bit pricey relative to the quantity, so we'll try something else. The Mule and bottomless iced tea were good and freshly made. However, cocktail delivery was delayed as the bar got backed up as there seemed to be a new bartender being trained that night. A plus is the use of non-disposable bowls, cups, and trays.

Head up to the second floor to find your movie, or up to the third floor to the Dumbots Bar for food (snacks or full meals) and beverages.

Last Friday, a friend and I enjoyed "Jurassic World Rebirth" (in traditional 2D format). We appreciated the comfortable, partially reclining chairs, attentive service, and the themed preshow content. Note: the chairs recline your back and head comfortably, lift your feet up only a foot or so.

The preshow content is related to the movie you're watching. What this means is: Hooray! no commercials, with fun stuff to watch during the 30 minutes before the movie starts. For example, if you are seeing an animated feature, the preshow material might be classic short cartoons.



Photo by Henri Boulanger – Contributing Photographer,
Silicon Valley Business Journal

What's useful to know: Alamo Drafthouse is known for its immersive Cinema experiences, including quality screenings with in-theater dining, a variety of screen sizes, and unique events. They offer a wide range of titles: current, classic, comedy, family friendly, and foreign. Arrive 30 minutes early for the preshow and to order food and drinks. There are special screenings labeled All Ages and Family Friendly that have low lighting and lower volume to accommodate infants and children under five. Although there is no senior discount, Tuesday tickets are significantly discounted for everyone. The Alamo Drafthouse also has a strict policy of no talking or texting during the movie.

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San Antonio Road Development and Monta Loma: What's Coming and What It Means

By Phil Winters

Major changes are coming to San Antonio Road, with a surge of development proposals from both Mountain View and Palo Alto. Much of the growth centers on high-density housing, and the effects will be felt strongly in the Monta Loma neighborhood, which borders the corridor.

San Antonio Road forms the northern edge of Monta Loma and connects key thoroughfares El Camino Real and Highway 101. Already heavily used, this stretch is poised for even more traffic and infrastructure strain as new projects move forward.

At the May 28 Annual Monta Loma Neighborhood Association Meeting, City Manager Kimbra McCarthy—also a Monta Loma resident—provided updates on major projects, including the San Antonio developments and the Rengstorff Grade Separation project. These efforts, though separate, will likely overlap in timing, compounding their impact on local transit and livability.

Mountain View Projects:

- 334 San Antonio Rd (former Valero site): Approved for an 8-story affordable housing building with 100 units. Awaiting funding.
- 365–405 San Antonio Rd: A 7-story office/retail project under city council review.
- 2319 Old Middlefield Way: Approved relocation of Magnussen Toyota, opening expected in late 2026.

Palo Alto Projects:

- 788–796 San Antonio Rd: Approved in 2020 for 102 units; now proposing 168 units in an 8-story version.
- 762 San Antonio Rd: A “Builder’s Remedy” project proposing 198 rental units.
- 800, 824 San Antonio Rd & 4015, 3997, 3950 Fabian Way: A mix of residential and senior housing projects, ranging from 28 to 295 units, most still under review.

Altogether, these projects would add 1009 new housing units to the San Antonio Road corridor—909 in Palo Alto and 100 in Mountain View. This is almost equal to the current number of households in Monta Loma.

Palo Alto is drafting a San Antonio Road Area Plan to manage this growth. Residents are encouraged to stay involved by attending Community Advisory Group (CAG) meetings.



The first meeting is August 19th at 5:30pm at the Cubberly Community Center, room H-1. A Community Workshop is scheduled for October 23. More info is available at paloaalto.gov/SanAntonioAreaPlan



Thanks to city staff who shared information and emphasized the importance of cross-city collaboration. As development proceeds, Monta Lomans are urged to remain informed and engaged to help shape a livable future for the neighborhood.

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Getting Ready for a Great School Year at Monta Loma!

By Meghan Jinguji, Monta Loma Elementary Principal

As summer winds down, preparations have been underway at Monta Loma Elementary to welcome students, staff and families back for the new school year! Our campus has been a hub of activity, with deep cleaning taking place throughout classrooms and common areas to ensure a fresh start for everyone.



We are thrilled to be growing our team of excellent educators this year. As we welcome new staff members to the Monta Loma family, we're confident they will bring fresh energy, experience, and passion that will enrich our school community and support student success.

School officially begins on **Tuesday, August 13**, with a minimum day schedule. We're excited to welcome back our returning students and extend a warm hello to all of our new families joining the Monta Loma community.

Here's to a fantastic start and a successful school year ahead!

Hazardous waste drop-off August 23

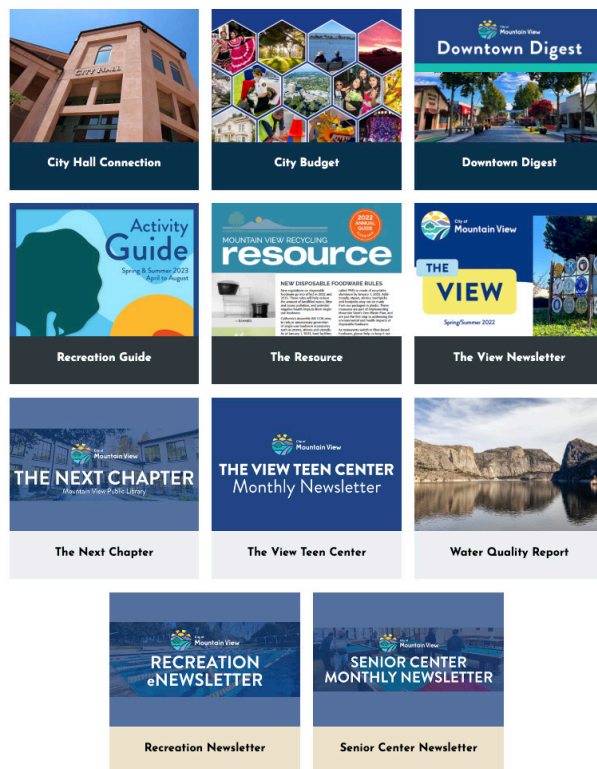
Household hazardous waste drop-off events enable residents to dispose of paint, oil, cleaners, batteries, solvents, and other household chemical products safely. To register for the appointment-only Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off on August 23, visit hhw.org and click on Events. If you go, you might invite neighbors to help fill your trunk.



This and other environmental events are listed at mountainview.gov/our-city/departments/public-works/recycling-zero-waste/events.

City Newsletters

Visit mountainview.gov/whats-happening/city-newsroom/newsletters to read and subscribe to city newsletters. Links to the Recreation and Senior Center newsletters have been added to the page.



Repair Café, Sunday, October 26

Don't toss it, repair it. The next Repair Café is at the Mountain View Senior Center, 266 Escuela Ave., on Sunday, October 26, 11:00am to 3:00pm. Visit repaircafesv.org for information. Everyone is welcome to bring items to repair and volunteers are always appreciated.





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Free emergency training begins September 25

Having some emergency training is part of being a responsible citizen. Our CERT members encourage you to take the city's free CERT course, whether or not you join our neighborhood group. The next series begins on September 25. Visit the CERT page montaloma.org/mlna/cert/ for a link to info. "First Aid teaches you what to do until the ambulance comes; CERT teaches you what to do when the ambulance isn't going to come."



You can check out Monta Loma's CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) at any of their Saturday sessions on the second Saturday of the month, between 9:00-11:00am at the trailer next to Monta Loma School. The next meetings will be on August 9, September 13, and October 11. Questions? Contact Tim Slattery at CERT@montaloma.org or 650-964-6389.

FREE Worm Composting Workshop

Find out how to build healthy soil and reduce kitchen waste through worm composting at a FREE workshop for Mountain View residents. Learn the art and science behind composting from a local Master Composter including:

- Why worms are so good at making compost.
- Why composting helps the environment.
- How easy and fun it is to create your own worm composting system!



Saturday, October 4
10:00am–12:00pm

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