

Levi's Stadium Frequently Asked Questions City of Sunnyvale



What is Sunnyvale doing to prepare for the new Levi's Stadium in Santa Clara?

The City of Sunnyvale has been closely monitoring the Stadium project to ensure that the Stadium Authority – the public body formed by the City of Santa Clara to develop and operate the Stadium – is adequately addressing traffic, parking and public safety. Sunnyvale staff from several City departments have been actively coordinating with their counterparts in Santa Clara on the planning efforts leading up to the first event at the Stadium scheduled for August 2, 2014. In addition, Sunnyvale has submitted formal comments to Santa Clara on key project documents to include their Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the proposed Stadium in 2009 and their more recent Draft Transportation Management and Operations Plan (DTMOP) in September 2013. These documents, accessed via 49ersStadiumInfo.inSunnyvale.com, contain important information related to the potential impacts generated by the Stadium and the proposals for addressing those impacts.

What is the traffic management plan for Sunnyvale during large Stadium events?

Sunnyvale has provided input on the City of Santa Clara's Draft Traffic Management Plan (DTMOP) which is scheduled to be finalized in spring 2014. To ensure safe and efficient travel through Sunnyvale, the Stadium Authority will provide security or police personnel before, during and after each large event at the following intersections: Reamwood Avenue at Tasman Drive; Lawrence Expressway at Tasman Drive; and Lawrence Expressway at Sandia Avenue. In addition, vehicles leaving large events on Mission College Boulevard will not be permitted into Sunnyvale via Wildwood Avenue. Several other locations along the Lawrence Expressway corridor will have posted restricted access signs to deter vehicles from entering into residential neighborhoods unnecessarily. Following each event, staff will evaluate the security and traffic control measures and make adjustments as necessary.

How will Sunnyvale's Department Public Safety (DPS) manage additional calls for service as a result of events at the Stadium?

While we don't yet know whether Stadium events will generate additional calls for service, DPS is preparing as if calls will increase. To augment our regular staffing levels for police and fire services, funding is being provided through the Stadium Authority for DPS to assign up to four additional Sunnyvale officers at no cost to the City of Sunnyvale on event days. The number of officers will depend on the size of the event. These officers will be patrolling areas in Sunnyvale near the Stadium to identify and respond to any event-related incidents. This will ensure the community receives the same high level of public safety services throughout the city before, during and after Stadium events.

How will emergency vehicles be able to travel through areas with heavy Stadium traffic or access neighborhoods that have controlled intersections?

The additional DPS officers assigned to work during Stadium events will be responsible for ensuring that emergency vehicles have safe and expedient passage to emergencies. In addition, the officers or security personnel assigned to the controlled intersections also will ensure emergency vehicles have access to areas needing a response.

How can I monitor traffic in the area of the Stadium on event days?

DPS will use the NIXLE messaging system to notify residents about events and any related issues such as traffic congestion. You can sign up for this free service by visiting <http://local.nixle.com/sunnyvale-department-of-public-safety/>

Intersections along Lawrence Expressway are operated by Santa Clara County and live traffic camera feeds can be viewed at: <http://www.sccgov.org/sites/scc/Pages/SCC-Live-Traffic.aspx>

Freeway traffic conditions and other useful trip planning tools can be found at: www.511.org

The Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) provides transit services to Santa Clara County. Transit planning tools and real-time maps are available at: www.vta.org

What should residents do if Stadium-goers park in the community and walk to the Stadium?

The plans for restricted access signage and officer-controlled intersections are intended to deter Stadium-goers from parking in non-designated areas. Staff will be assessing these measures after each event and will make adjustments as necessary.

Because they have privately managed streets, each of the mobile home communities has an established program to remove vehicles that are violating the community's regulations. Each mobile home community should review their established rules and tow company relationships to ensure they are up-to-date and will adequately address this concern.

How can residents ask questions or submit complaints about Stadium-related issues?

The 49ers Stadium Management Company is managing and operating the Stadium and plans to hire a Community Liaison by spring 2014. The Community Liaison will serve as the first line of communication for community members and Stadium patrons and will be responsible for relaying and responding to community input and issues related specifically to Stadium operations. Community members can also contact the City of Santa Clara at manager@santaclaraca.gov or the City of Sunnyvale via the City's online inquiry system at ContactUs.inSunnyvale.com.