



Update Sunnyvale

News From Your City Manager

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[Help Flatten the COVID-19 Curve](#)

The surge of COVID-19 cases continues in Santa Clara County. Our hospitals are at risk of exceeding capacity if current trends continue. For this reason, the County Health Officer implemented [new requirements](#) effective November 30. The changes include new restrictions on businesses and the size of outdoor gatherings. A new [Mandatory Directive on Travel](#) strongly discourages leisure and non-essential travel. Anyone entering the county must quarantine for 14 days upon return from travel of more than 150 miles.

You can help flatten the curve by:

- Wearing a mask
- Maintaining a social distance of at least 6 feet
- Avoiding gatherings with people outside of your household
- Getting [free COVID-19 testing](#) if you interact with people outside of your immediate household

We flattened the curve once. We can do it again.

[New video commemorates completion of the Mathilda Monster project](#)

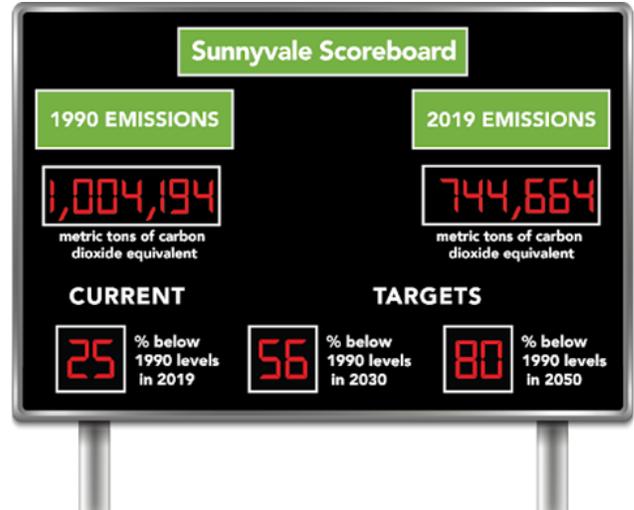
A [new video](#) highlights the completion of the Mathilda Avenue/US101/SR237 interchange project. We partnered with the VTA to produce the video commemorating this \$42 million project. It is the first to be completed with 2016 Measure B funds. The project includes new on/off ramps from US101, a third lane on Mathilda Avenue in each direction, new traffic signals and a realigned off ramp from SR237. In addition, there are new bicycle and pedestrian safety improvements such as a multipurpose trail and pedestrian access across VTA light rail tracks. COVID-19 restrictions prevented a traditional ribbon cutting ceremony.

[Keeping Score on Climate Action: Introducing Sunnyvale's New Scoreboard](#)

On November 16, the City launched the new [Sunnyvale Climate Action Scoreboard](#). The Scoreboard tells the story of climate action in Sunnyvale and highlights our key wins. It shares a progress update on the [Climate Action Playbook](#) (Playbook), a plan to reduce greenhouse gas emissions that cause climate change.

As of 2019, Sunnyvale is 25% below our 1990 greenhouse gas emissions levels. This is almost halfway to our 2030 target. Most of our emissions come from driving or from using natural gas to heat our homes and businesses. To a lesser extent, they also come from the waste we throw away and from construction activity in our city.

The Next Moves in the Playbook aim at lowering emissions. And we already have some solid wins under our belts! We get 87% of our energy from clean sources, we recycle 63% of our waste, and nearly 4% of our community drives electric vehicles that are emissions-free. In 2020, we adopted the [Active Transportation Plan](#) and a new [Housing Strategy](#). Just this week, the City Council approved a [Reach Codes](#) ordinance to drive the transition to all-electric buildings. We're making progress, but lowering our emissions is a team effort and we need your help to get to carbon neutrality.



Want to help us march down the field toward lower emissions? Dive into the Scoreboard to learn about Team Sunnyvale's score and how you can help us go for gold!

[New Bay Trail Parking Open](#)

This summer, the City added new parking spaces along Caribbean Drive, between Borregas Avenue and North Mathilda Avenue. These spaces are free and available to anyone using the Bay Trail. All trails are now open under the County's latest Shelter in Place Order. Health officials recommend practicing social distancing of at least 6 feet.

The parking lot at the Water Pollution Control Plant was permanently closed to the public on October 23rd. This area is now reserved for construction workers and Plant employees. In addition to the new spaces on Caribbean Drive, public parking is also available at 701 1st Avenue. For more information, visit our webpage on [Caribbean Drive Parking and Trail Access Enhancements](#), or contact Assistant City Engineer Allison Boyer at 408-730-7516.



[New Library App](#)

Take Sunnyvale Public Library wherever you go! The new, free SPL Mobile app makes it easy to find and discover titles, place holds, renew items, rate titles, create lists and get information about our library. If you are currently using the old app named "SunnyvalePublicLibrary," please download the new app. Soon, the old app will no longer work.

Download SPL Mobile
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[Google Play](#)

[Winter Reading Program at the Library](#)

Sign up for the Winter Reading program during the month of December. Winter Reading is for all ages, children, teens, and adults. Read just three books for a chance to win a gift card bundle. Read more books for more chances to win! Each age group will have its own drawing. Winners will be notified

after January 4, 2021. [Click here to register](#). Winter Reading is generously sponsored by the Friends of the Sunnyvale Public Library. For more information, please call the library at 408-730-7300.

[Storytime To-Go Kits at the Library](#)

Storytime To-Go Kits are bilingual in English and Spanish. The kits help adult caregivers interact and engage children ages 0-5. Each kit is based on a different theme and contains 3 books, song lyrics, a magnet story, and a manipulative (learning toy or musical book). Themes include ABC's and 123's, bedtime, colors and shapes, farm animals, and things that go. The books and activities in each kit are intended to promote early literacy and support adult caregivers in sharing a special storytime experience with a child.



Each kit checks out for three weeks and must be returned to a staff person at the library. To place a hold on the kits, visit sunnyvalelibrary.org, contact the library via chat or at 408-730-7300.

Storytime To Go Kits were made possible with generous support from the Friends of the Sunnyvale Public Library.

[Neighborhood Outreach Meeting for Toyota Sunnyvale Expansion - 928 West El Camino Real](#)

On Wednesday, Dec. 9, from 5 to 6 p.m., Toyota Sunnyvale and City staff will hold a virtual neighborhood outreach meeting. The outreach meeting will include a presentation by the applicant and will provide community members an opportunity to review and comment on the proposed expansion of Toyota Sunnyvale to 928 West El Camino Real in 2021. The application is for a new building to be used as a reconditioning center for pre-owned vehicles. Your feedback is important. For more information about this project, contact [Momoko Ishijima](#), Senior Planner at 408-730-7532.

[Join the meeting on Zoom](#)

Meeting ID: 829 3923 1291

Passcode: 290303

Join by phone: +1 669 900 6833

If you are unable to attend our Outreach event or should you have any questions, please reach out to Christian Oakes, Architect: christian@twmarchitects.com or 415-472-5770 x35.

[NOVA Presentation at Peer-to-Peer Workforce Event](#)

On November 10, NOVA Director Kris Stadelman was invited to present at a statewide virtual peer-to-peer learning event titled, "Reimagining Workforce Services for a Virtual World." This event was hosted by the California Workforce Development Board, California Workforce Association, and California Employment Development Department. This was an opportunity to share with workforce development board directors and state agency and community college staff about NOVA's successful experience transitioning its workforce services to a virtual customer-focused service-delivery platform during the COVID-19 pandemic. This event was attended by nearly 175 participants and was well received.

To learn more about NOVA, visit the [NOVA website](#), email info@novaworks.org or call 408- 730-7232. To access free-of-charge job search assistance webinars for workers affected by layoffs, closures or furloughs, visit <https://novaworks.org/covid>.

SUNNYVALE IN THE NEWS

[Sunnyvale minimum wage to increase on Jan. 1](#)

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PUBLIC MEETINGS

Watch Sunnyvale public meetings online at [YouTube.com/SunnyvaleMeetings](https://www.youtube.com/SunnyvaleMeetings). Live and recorded City Council, Board and Commission, and community meetings are available.

COVID-19 RESOURCES

Sunnyvale

- **City Service Impacts** – Before calling or visiting a City facility, check the [City COVID-19 webpage](#).
- **Sunnyvale Serves Phoneline** – If you need assistance related to the shelter-in-place order, call the City at 408-730-7360, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., or submit inquiries online at [Access Sunnyvale](#).
- **Sunnyvale Community Services** – SCS helps low-income families and seniors with financial aid, food distribution and case management. [Learn about services and how to donate](#).
- **Support Sunnyvale Businesses** – Support Sunnyvale restaurants and businesses providing essential services. Find store listings and information on the new [Sunnyvale Business webpage](#).
- **Entertainment** – Find creative ideas and helpful tips while sheltering in place by following us on Facebook: [@sunnyvalelibrary](#); [@SunnyvaleRecreation](#); [@SunnyvaleEnvironmentalServices](#)

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- [2-1-1 phone and text services](#) are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, in 150 languages to answer your questions about COVID-19.
- **COVID Testing** – COVID-19 testing is free, easy, and safe. [Get a free test near you](#).
- **Meals and Groceries** –
 - [Second Harvest of Silicon Valley](#): Call 800-984-3663 or text GETFOOD to 408-455-5181 to request assistance with food resources.
 - [Senior Nutrition Program](#): Serves adults aged 60+, their spouses, and disabled adults living with older adults. Following a take-out model at most locations.
- **Housing** – If you are at risk of losing your housing or missing an upcoming rent payment, contact the [Homelessness Prevention System](#) to request financial assistance and supportive services.
- **Employment** – [File a claim](#) with the California Employment Development Department if you are unable to work, have reduced hours or are caring for an ill or quarantined family member.
- **Give Blood** – The Red Cross needs healthy, eligible people to give blood or platelets. Visit [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.redcrossblood.org) or call 800-RED-CROSS (800-733-2767).
- **Avoid Scams** – The Federal Trade Commission has [tips to protect yourself](#) and a way to report scams.