

- **OTHER ITEMS**

- SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS AND NEWSPAPER ARTICLES
Copies of the week's social media posts and local newspaper articles are attached for your information.
- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS
Items of interest are included.



Matt West
Assistant City Manager

April 13, 2026

The Honorable Ash Kalra
Chair, Senate Judiciary Committee
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**RE: AB 1821 (Pacheco) California Public Records Act: agency response
time Notice of SUPPORT (As Amended April 6, 2026)**

Dear Honorable Ash Kalra,

The City of Garden Grove is pleased to support **AB 1821** (Pacheco). The California Public Records Act (CPRA) is a vital tool that enables the public to hold government accountable. Local agencies take these responsibilities seriously and devote substantial resources to responding thoroughly and promptly to public records requests. The City of Garden Grove is committed to transparency and accountability.

AB 1821 provides an important and practical clarification to CPRA response timelines. The bill's shift from "calendar days" to "business days" for initial determinations and extensions is a common-sense update that reflects the operational realities of local agencies. Public agencies generally do not have staff available on weekends or holidays, yet current law continues to toll CPRA deadlines during these periods. A business-day standard ensures agencies have the full, intended number of working days to conduct thorough and accurate searches for disclosable records.

Under existing law, agencies must determine within 10 days whether a request seeks disclosable records, with a possible 14-day extension in unusual circumstances. Neither timeframe accounts for weekends or holidays when staff are unavailable. AB 1821 corrects this discrepancy by converting these periods to business days, helping agencies comply with the law more effectively and consistently.

Local agencies across California have seen a sharp rise in both the volume and complexity of CPRA requests, reporting a 73% increase over five years and noting that more than 90% of agencies have had to divert staff time away from core services to meet these demands. Modern government operations now generate far more disclosable records, including emails, texts, and internal messages, which require extensive searching, review, and redaction of sensitive information such as attorney-client communications, personal identifiers, and medical or criminal data. At the same time, agencies have lost key revenue sources that once offset these costs: Proposition 42 eliminated state reimbursement for CPRA compliance, and a 2020 California Supreme Court ruling restricted agencies from recovering staff time

AB 1821 (Pacheco) California Public Records Act: agency response time

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or technical costs associated with producing records. As a result, local governments must absorb the full cost of increasingly time-intensive requests.

Prior to the April 6 amendments, AB 1821 would have addressed this critical issue by allowing agencies to recover reasonable costs for exceptionally burdensome searches. While that provision is no longer included, we appreciate the author's efforts and remain committed to continued conversations about broader CPRA reform. The business-day clarification that remains in the bill is a narrow but meaningful improvement that will help agencies comply with the law more effectively and consistently.

For these reasons, Garden Grove is pleased to support AB 1821. If you have any questions regarding our position, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,



Stephanie Klopfenstein

Mayor

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City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To: Lisa L. Kim
Dept: City Manager
Subject: CCNC Data Dashboard
3rd Quarter FY. 2025-26

From: Ursula Luna-Reynosa
Dept: Economic Development
and Housing
Date: April 16, 2026

OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this memorandum is to present the FY 2025–26 3rd Quarter Data Dashboard for the Central Cities Navigation Center (CCNC).

DISCUSSION

Since its inception in June 2024, the CCNC has served 401 individuals, including 7 veterans and 76 seniors aged 55 and older. A total of 62 residents have been successfully housed since June 2024, accounting for approximately 15% of all clients served, which aligns with industry benchmarks.

Family reunification exits remained steady, with two recorded during the quarter. Employment and income levels continue to present challenges: 48 residents reported no income, 22 receive General Relief or SSI/SSDI benefits, and 13 are currently employed. Service referrals increased during the third quarter, with 78 referrals made—primarily for medical and workforce development services.

Males continue to represent the majority (70%) of residents served, with consistent representation among older adults. The number of seniors accessing services remains steady, highlighting the ongoing need for supportive services for the aging population. While service referrals remain robust, seniors now represent 54% of the current population. Their reliance on fixed incomes continues to present challenges in transitioning to affordable housing options beyond the CCNC.

NEXT STEPS

- Continue collecting and analyzing quarterly data to identify emerging trends and performance gaps.
- Expand workforce development and employment referral programs for CCNC residents through the new partnership with Chrysalis.

CCNC DATA DASHBOARD
3rd QUARTER FY 2025-26
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- Collaborate with the Information Technology Department and the Central Cities web committee to finalize the centralcitiesoc.org website and dashboard landing page by the 4th quarter of FY 2025–26.

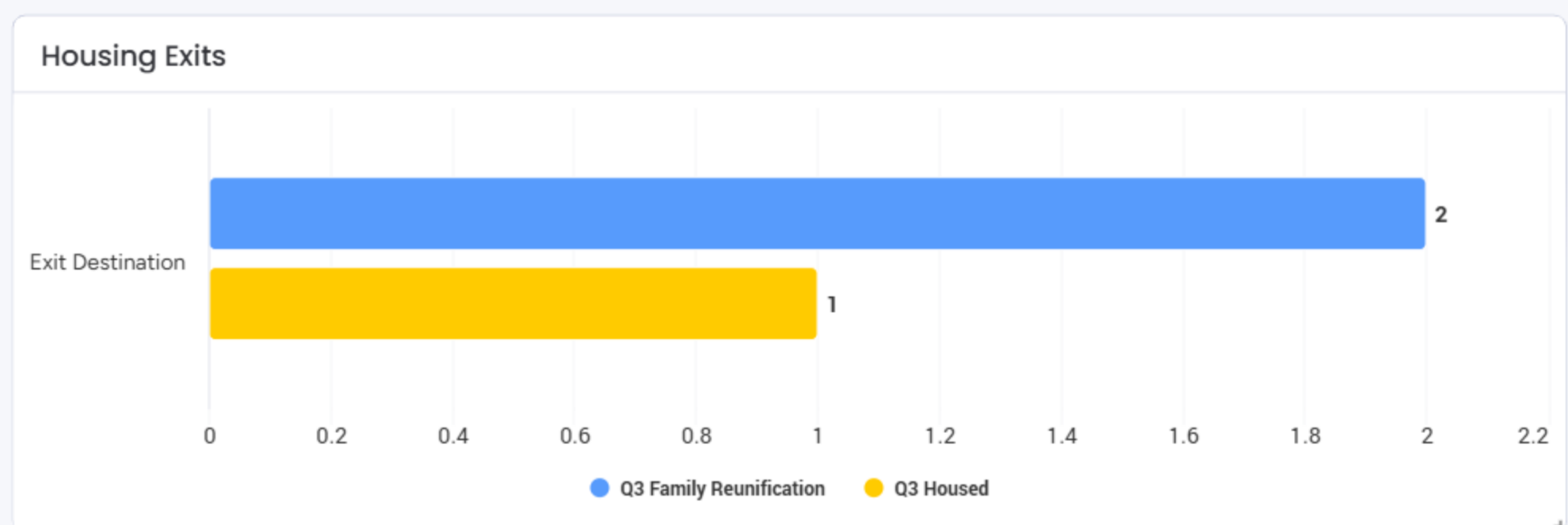
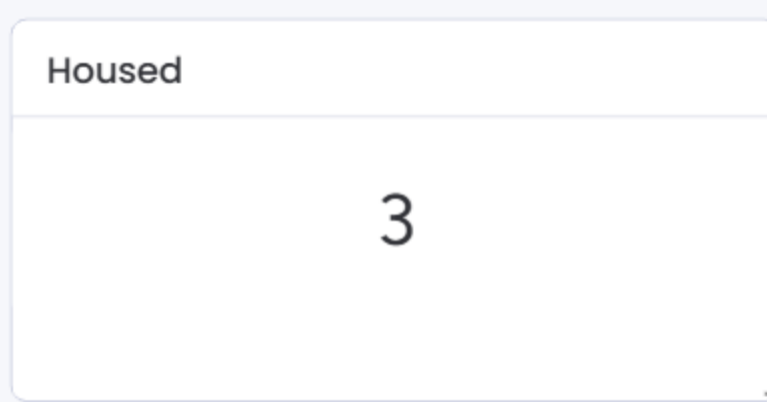
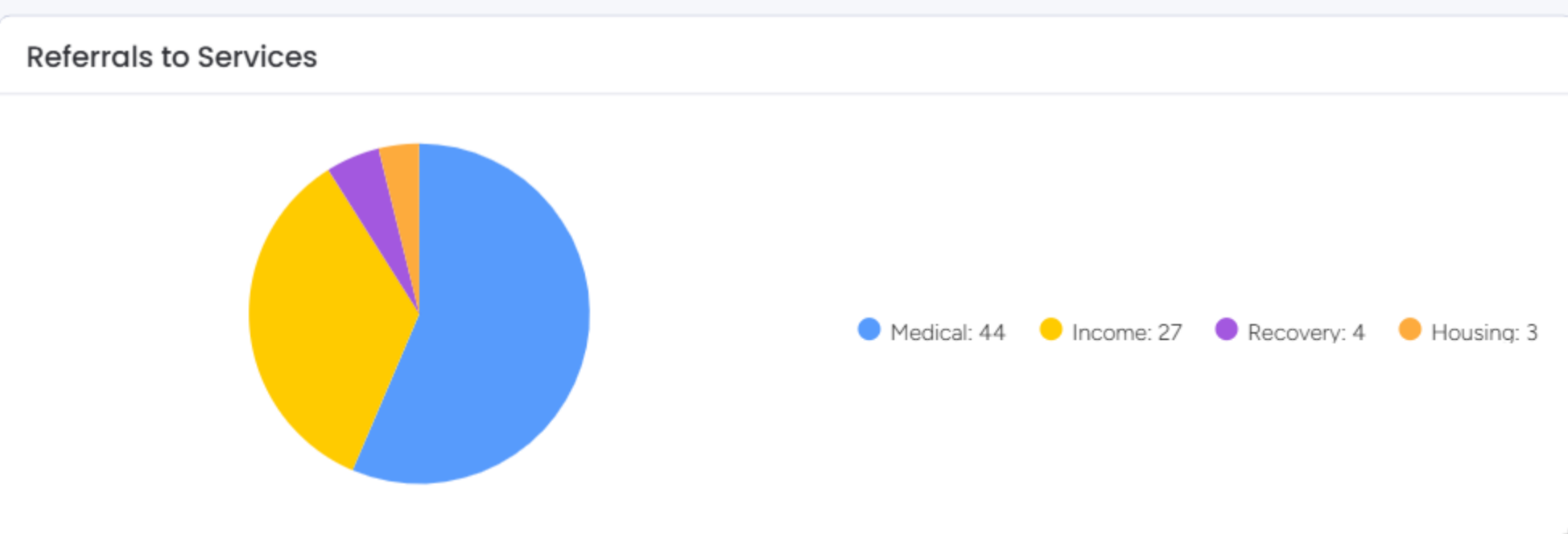
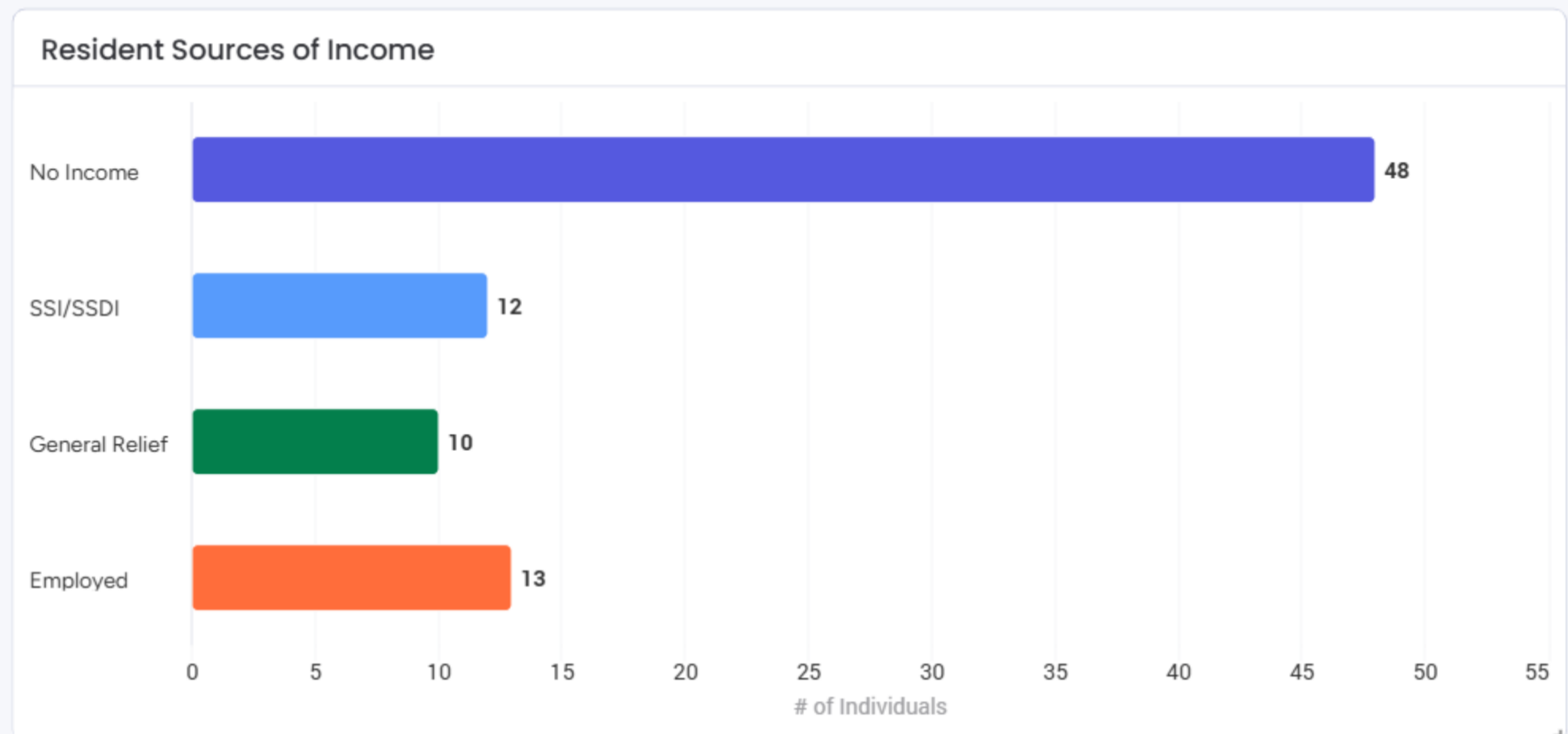
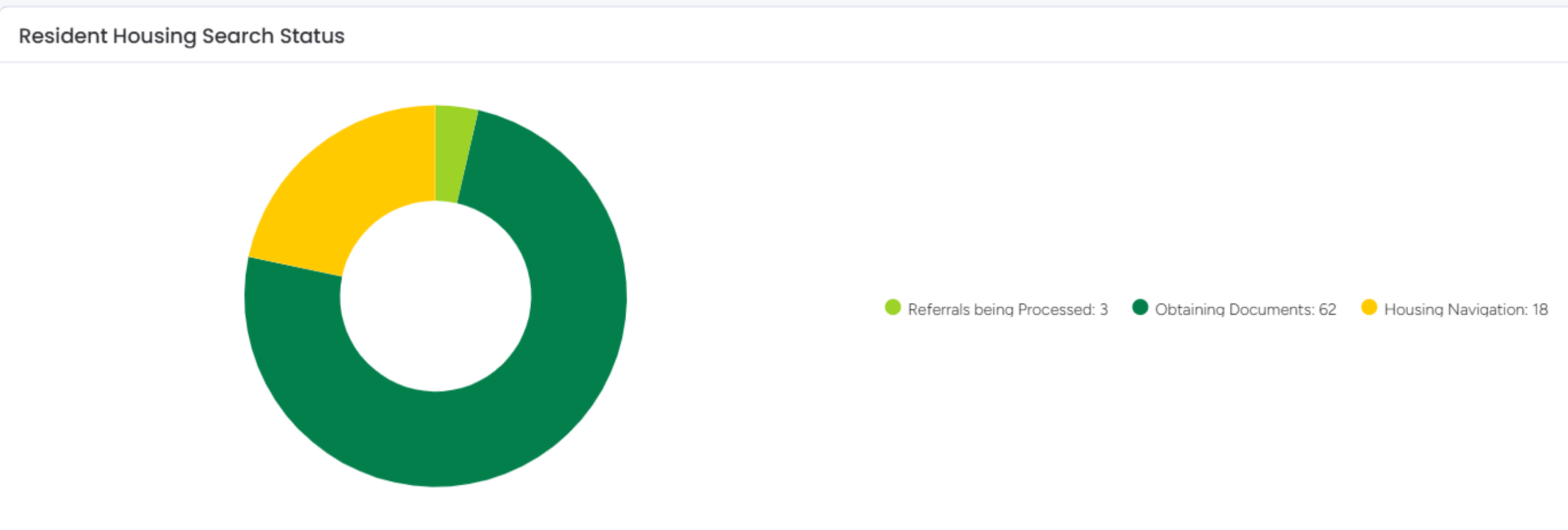
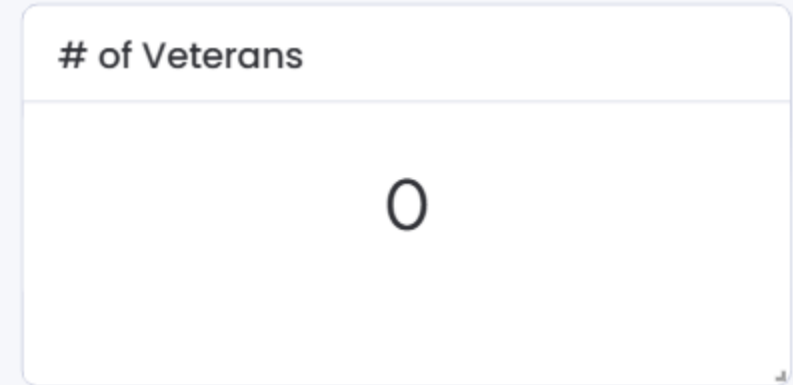
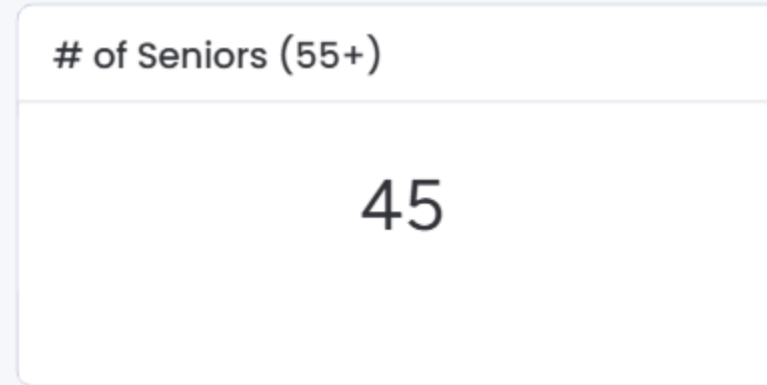
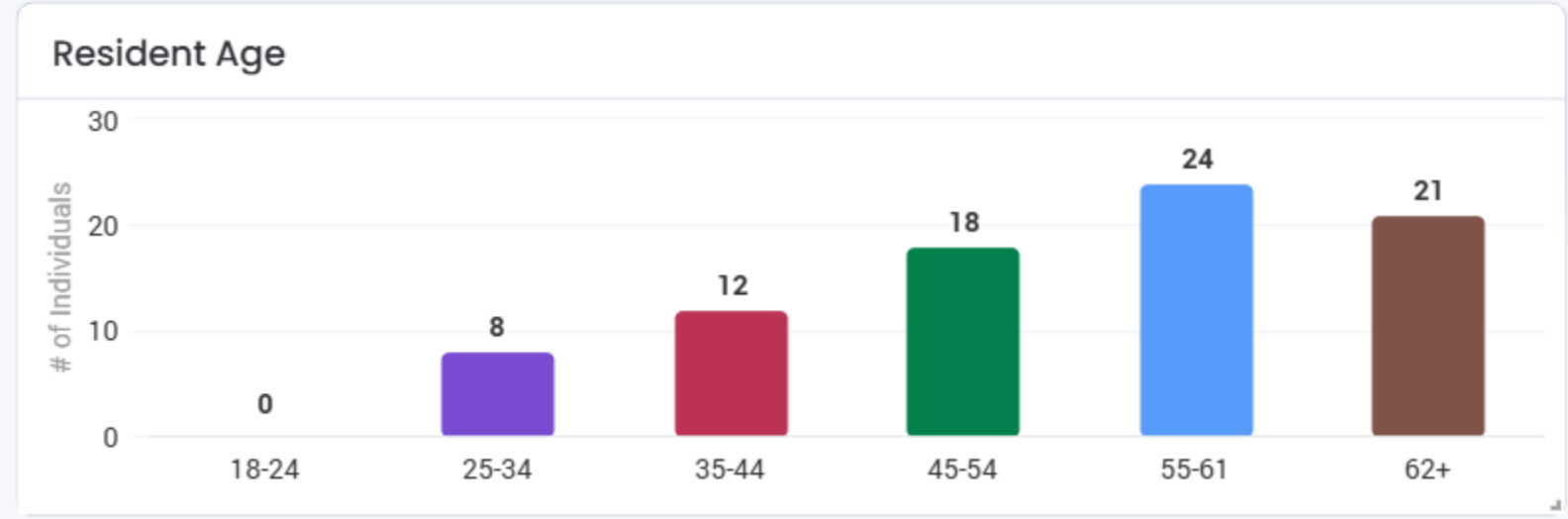
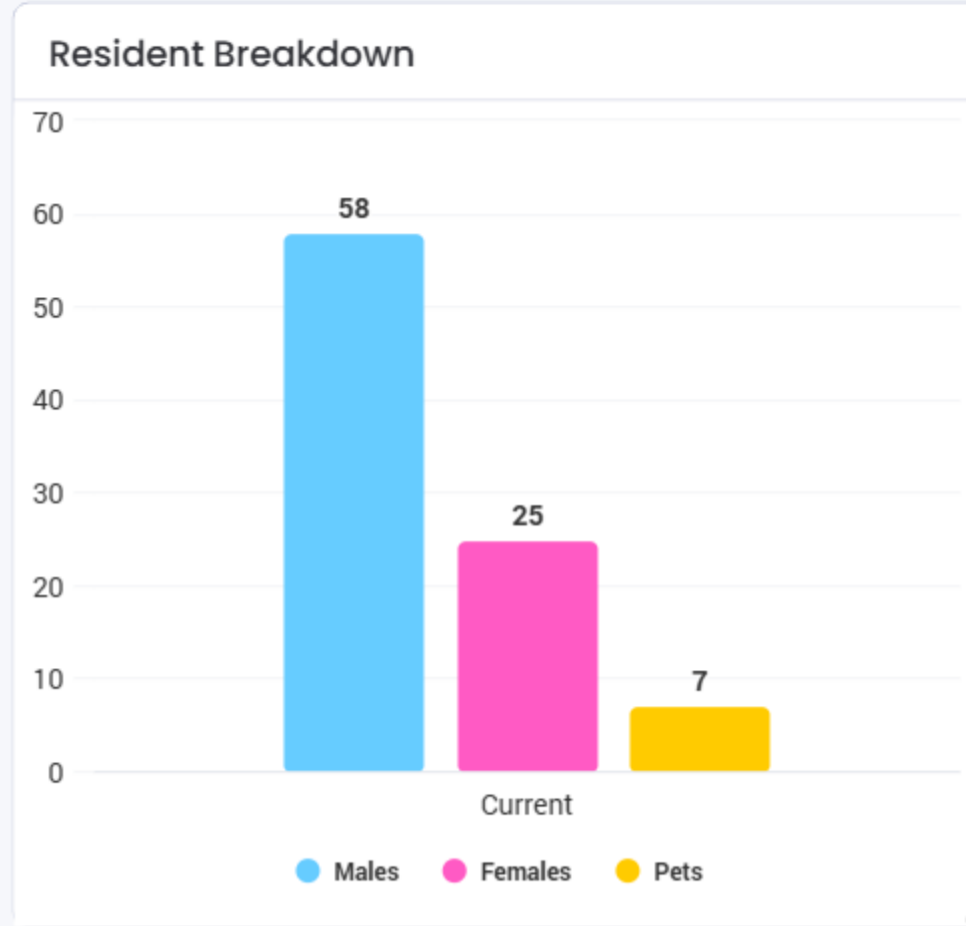
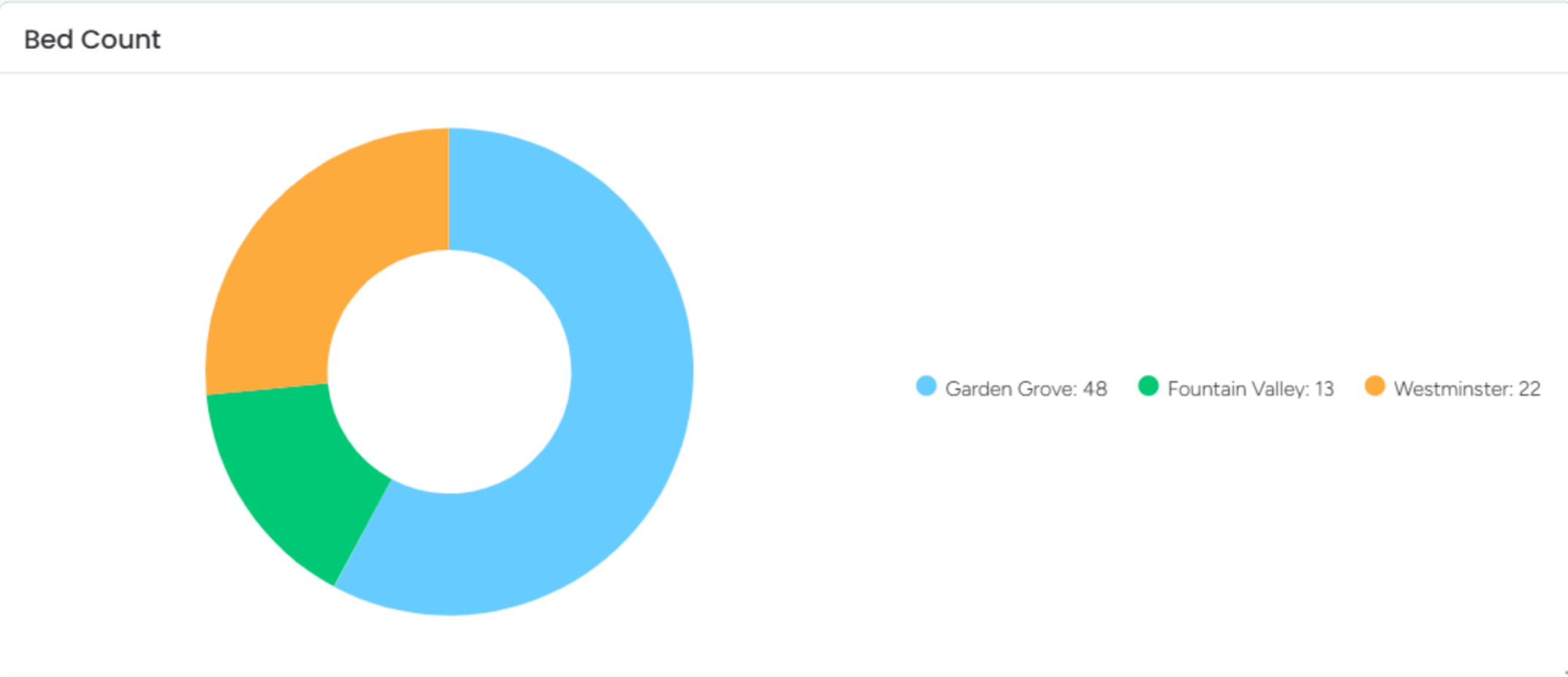


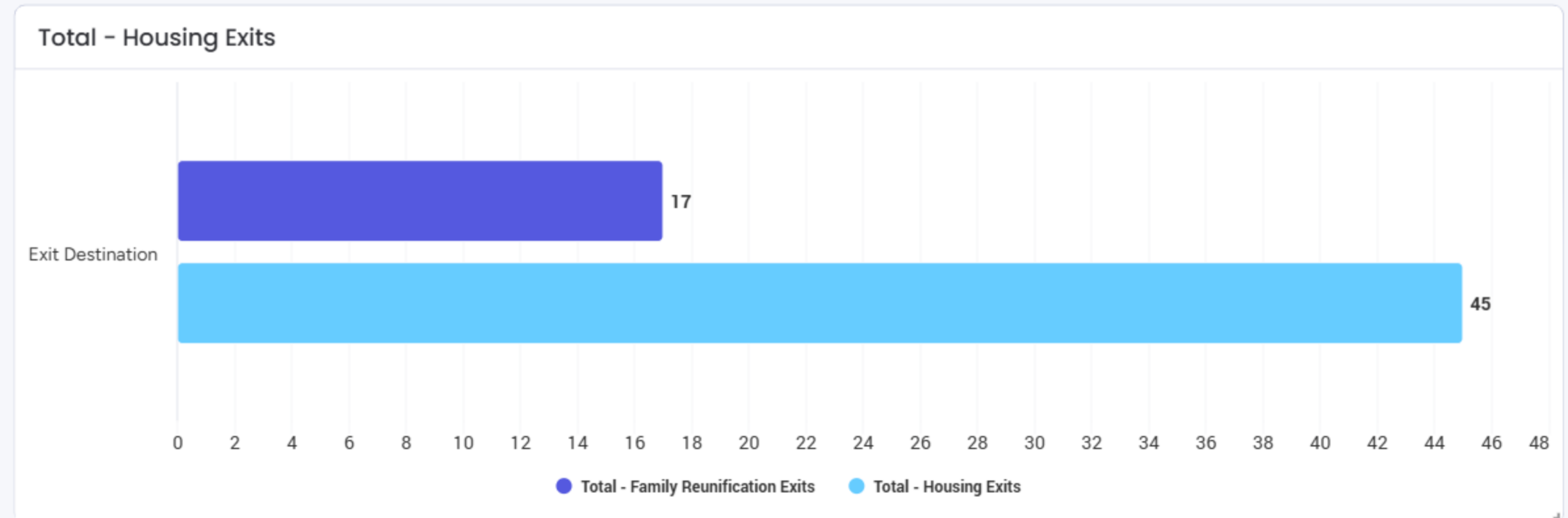
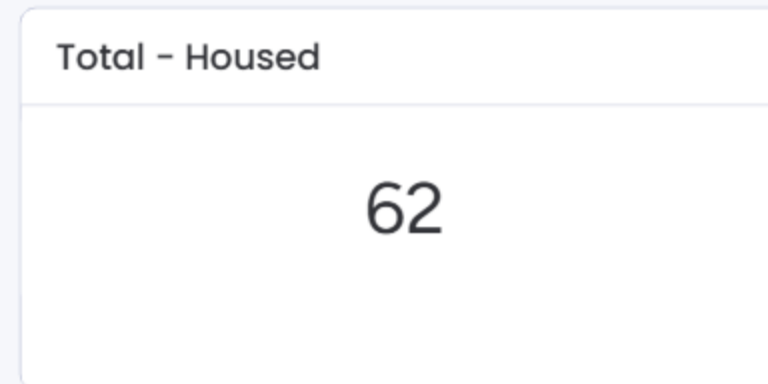
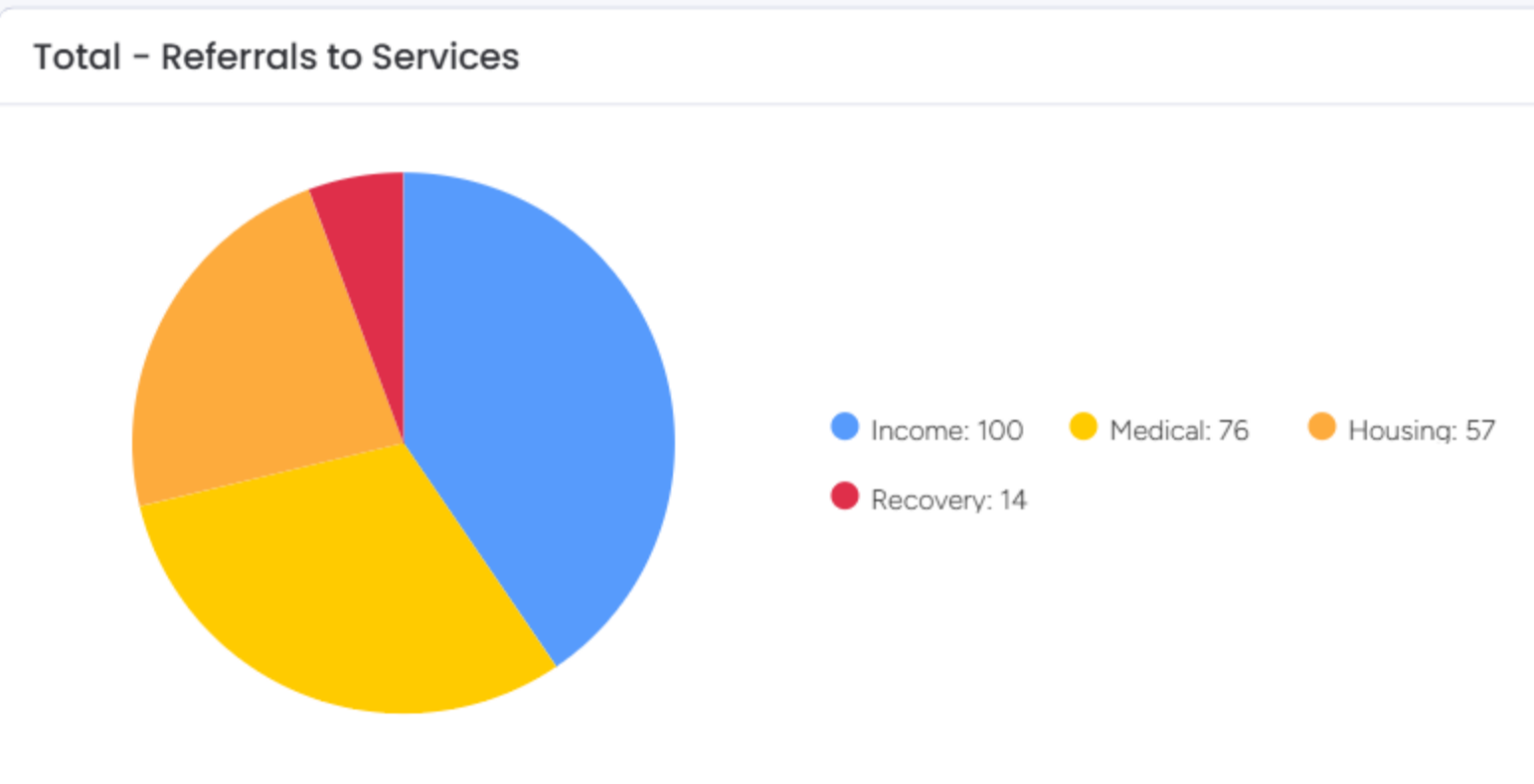
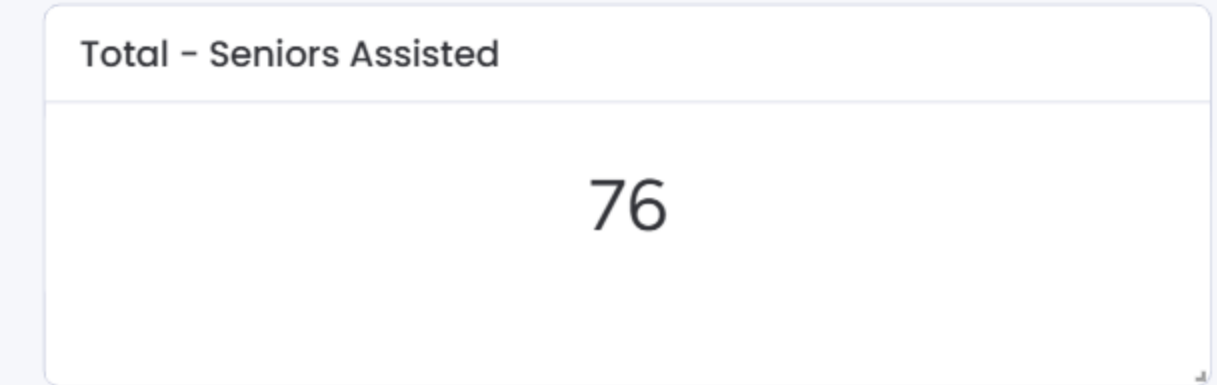
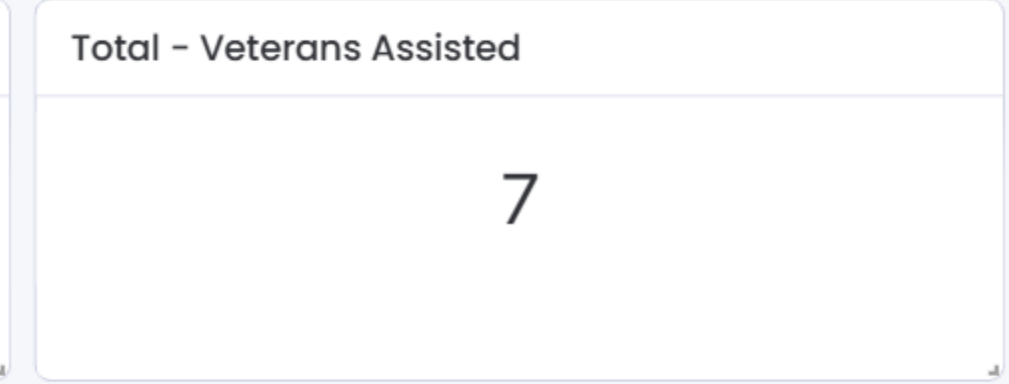
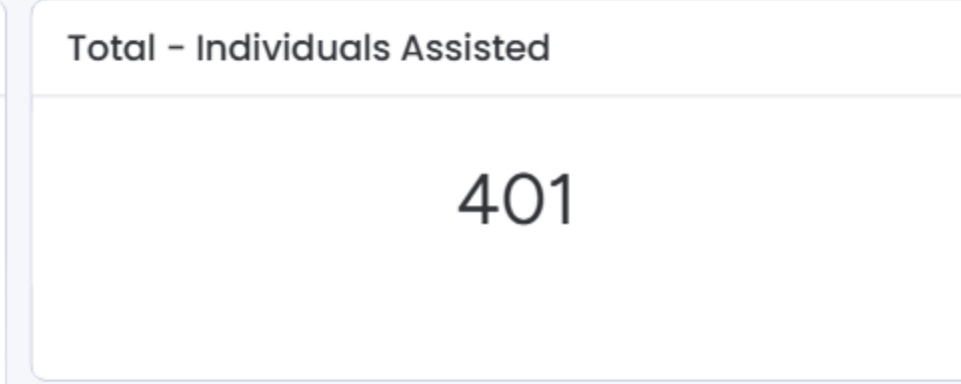
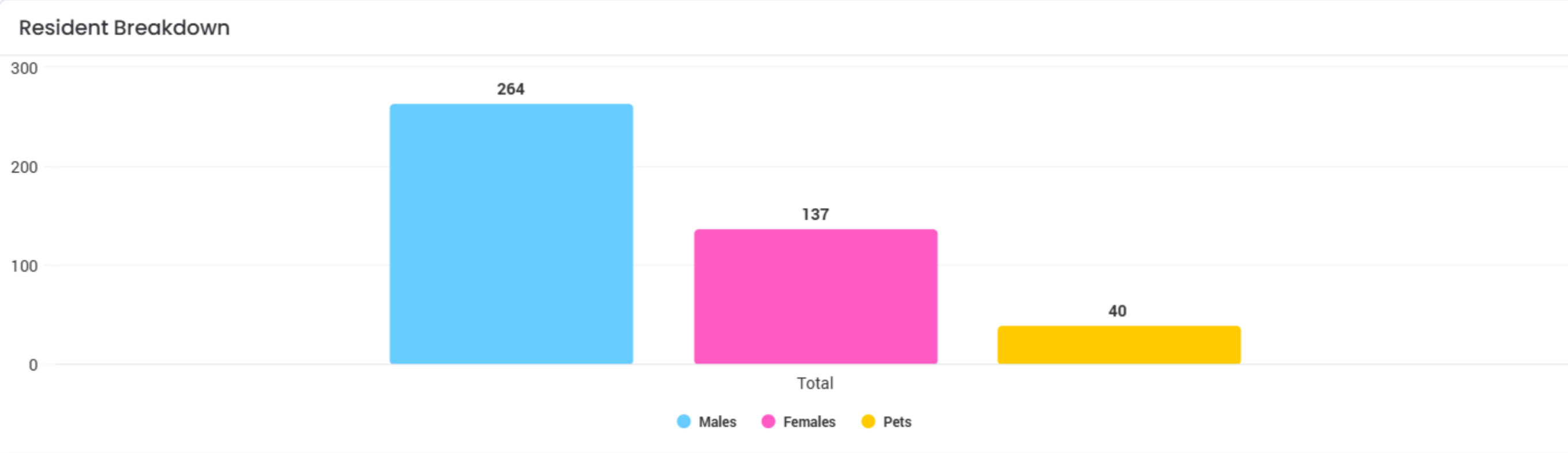
Ursula Luna-Reynosa
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By: Timothy Throne, Project Manager

Attachment: CCNC Data Dashboard (Q3 FY 2025–26)





City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To: Lisa L. Kim
From: Ursula Luna-Reynosa
Dept: City Manager
Dept: Economic Development and Housing
Subject: 3-Year Update on the CalOptima Street Medicine Program
Date: April 16, 2026

OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide a 3-year update on the CalOptima Health ("CalOptima") Street Medicine Program.

BACKGROUND

In April 2023, the City of Garden Grove partnered with CalOptima and Healthcare in Action to implement the Street Medicine Program, the first initiative of its kind in Orange County. The Street Medicine Program provides mobile, field-based healthcare to individuals experiencing homelessness. Through outreach teams and medical units, it delivers primary care, mental health services, case management, and connections to housing resources. By meeting people where they are, the program reduces barriers to care and addresses the complex health and social needs of unsheltered populations.

DISCUSSION

On April 3, 2026, CalOptima celebrated its three year anniversary operating in the City of Garden Grove. The Street Medicine Program has touched the lives of 775 individuals, including 576 who have completed services and 199 who remain enrolled. The program has also helped connect 30 individuals to temporary housing and supported 20 in securing permanent housing.



Permanent Housing Success Stories

Story 1: Client H.C. (34M)

H.C. experienced more than twenty years of homelessness beginning at age 18, staying primarily in Garden Grove, Westminster, and Huntington Beach. He enrolled with the Street Medicine Program in January 2025, beginning consistent work with his Peer Navigator to stabilize his situation and develop a structured housing plan. In October 2025, H.C. was matched to Permanent Supportive Housing through a

project-based voucher. He completed all required paperwork as well as the background screening and moved into his new unit on December 30, 2025. Since becoming housed, he has shown increased motivation and commitment to improving his life. He is now more driven to find employment and to continue strengthening his stability, health, and overall well-being. He remains actively engaged and continues to receive Housing Tenancy and Sustainability services.

Story 2: Client D.W. (59M)

D.W. has experienced homelessness since 2003, spending most of the last decade in Garden Grove while receiving services at the First Presbyterian Church of Garden Grove. He first enrolled in Street Medicine in September 2023 and has remained engaged in all components of the program since. In October 2025, D.W. was matched to Permanent Supportive Housing and moved into his unit in January 2026. Looking forward, he plans to apply for SSI to establish stable income.

Story 3: Client N.V. (36F)

N.V. has experienced homelessness since January 2008, living across multiple Orange County cities. Throughout these years she has battled substance and alcohol use, and recently she proudly celebrated eight months of sobriety, maintaining strong commitment to her recovery. N.V. enrolled in Street Medicine in June 2025 and consistently engaged in all medical and social service components. Working closely with her Peer Navigator, she became document-ready for housing, matched to a Permanent Supportive Housing opportunity and officially moved into her new home in February 2026. Now housed, she plans to continue following her medical care plan to support her sobriety and mental health, and she hopes to apply for jobs to build structure, routine, and independence.

CONCLUSION

CalOptima's Street Medicine Program is a key component of a broader, multi-faceted effort—alongside Be Well OC Mobile Response Team and the Central Cities Navigation



Center—to support individuals experiencing homelessness and improve quality of life in the City of Garden Grove. Together, these programs provide a continuum of care that addresses immediate health needs, connects individuals to critical services, and promotes long-term stability, reinforcing the City's commitment to supporting the Garden Grove community.

Ursula Luna-Reynosa
Assistant City Manager
Economic Development and Housing Director

By: Eric Hong, Administrative Analyst

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April 7, 2026

Re: Application of Southern California Edison Company (U 338-E) for a Commission Finding that its Procurement-Related and Other Operations for the Record Period January 1 Through December 31, 2025 Complied with its Adopted Procurement Plan; for Verification of its Entries in the Energy Resource Recovery Account and Other Regulatory Accounts; and for an increase of \$11.531 million in revenue requirement due to a net undercollection recorded in fourteen accounts. (A.26-04-002).

To Whom It May Concern:

On April 1, 2026, Southern California Edison Company (SCE) filed its application for finding that its procurement-related and other operations for the record period January 1 through December 31, 2025 complied with its Adopted Procurement Plan, verification of its entries in the Energy Resource Recovery Account and other regulatory accounts, and for an increase of \$11.531 million in revenue requirement due to a net undercollection recorded in fourteen accounts in 2025. Said application was filed with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) and docket Number A.26-04-002 has been assigned to said proceeding.

The enclosed notice is being published in a newspaper of general circulation in every county within SCE's service territory and will be included as a bill notice provided to every SCE customer. To obtain more detailed information, you may view or download a copy of SCE's filing and supporting testimony on our website, at www.sce.com/applications. You may also request a print copy of these documents from SCE at the address listed in the enclosed notice.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Ashley Moorhead

Ashley K. Moorhead

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Enclosure

Notice of SCE Rate Increase Request

SCE's Annual Energy Resource Recovery Account Application to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) A.26-04-002

What is Being Requested?

Southern California Edison Company (SCE) is requesting a revenue increase of \$11.531 million to recover a net under-collection in 14 authorized SCE memorandum/balancing accounts. This will be recovered in electric rates.

Requested Rate Increase by Customer Class

Customer Class	¢/KWh	% Increase
Residential	0.02	0.1%
Lighting – Small & Medium Power	0.02	0.1%
Large Power	0.01	0.0%
Agricultural & Pumping	0.01	0.0%
Street & Area Lighting	0.01	0.0%
Standby	0.00	0.0%

How Would This Impact the Average Residential Customer?

If the request is approved, a typical residential customer using 500 kWh per month could see a monthly bill increase of \$0.10 (approximately 0.1%). A typical CARE residential customer using 500 kWh per month could see a monthly bill increase of \$0.07 (approximately 0.1%).

Additional Information

An administrative law judge will hold hearings, consider evidence, testimony, and public comments before drafting a proposed decision on this application. CPUC Commissioners will then vote on a final decision at a public meeting.

You can read more about the utility's request and make public comment by visiting apps.cpuc.ca.gov/c/A2604002. For questions about participating in CPUC matters, you can contact the Public Advisor's Office at Public.Advisor@cpuc.ca.gov, 1-866-849-8390, or 505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, CA 94102. Please reference A.26-04-002 in any communication with the CPUC.

Questions About the Request

For questions about this application or SCE's request, please contact SCE by: Phone: **1-800-655-4555**; email case.admin@sce.com ; Mail: Case Administrator, A.26-04-002 –ERRA Review Application, Southern California Edison Company, P.O. Box 800 Rosemead, CA 91770, or visit www.sce.com/applications for further information.

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Notice of Southern California Edison Company's Rate Increase Request

Southern California Edison Company's (SCE) Application for Authorization to Deploy Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) 2.0 and for Associated Cost Recovery to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) A.26-03-030.

What is Being Requested?

SCE is requesting an increase in revenue of \$1,865 million from 2026-2033. Based on the year of the highest rate impact, this amounts to a total requested rate increase of 0.7¢/kWh (2.5%).¹ The current meters are nearing the end of their service life and they rely on legacy technology. SCE seeks to replace them with contemporary meters that will enable SCE to continue current meter functionality and provide new capabilities and customer benefits. This increase will be phased into rates over the years in this request.

Proposed Rate Increase by Customer Class in 2033

Customer Class	¢/kWh Increase	% Increase
Residential (Non-CARE)	1.1	2.6%
Residential (CARE)	0.6	2.8%
Lighting, Small, & Medium Power	0.8	2.5%
Large Power	0.4	2.1%
Agriculture & Pumping	0.6	2.3%
Street & Area Lighting	0.4	1.1%
Standby	0.2	1.4%

The table shows the requested increase in rates for the year with the highest revenues (2033) compared to current rates. Actual changes in rates may vary by year.

How Would This Impact the Typical Residential Customer?

If the request is approved, a typical non-CARE residential customer using 500 kWh per month would see a bill increase of approximately \$4.87 per month.² Similarly, a typical CARE residential customer using 500 kWh per month would see a bill increase of \$3.17 per month.³ The actual impact will vary based on usage, baseline territory, and other factors.

Additional Information

An administrative law judge will hold hearings, consider evidence, testimony, and public comments before drafting a proposed decision on this application. CPUC Commissioners will then vote on a final decision at a public meeting.

¹ Rate change will vary each year. Percentage calculated using largest rate increase for the application years.

² Year 2033 of the application was used to calculate typical customer bill because it is the year with the largest increase of \$543.6M.

³ *Id.*

You can read more about the utility's request and make public comment by visiting apps.cpuc.ca.gov/c/A2603030. For questions about participating in CPUC matters, you can contact the Public Advisor's Office at Public.Advisor@cpuc.ca.gov, 1-866-849-8390, or 505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, CA 94102. Please reference A.26-03-030 in any communication with the CPUC.

Questions About the Request

For questions about this application, please contact SCE via phone at (800) 655-4555, or via email at case.admin@sce.com. The mailing address is:

Case Administrator
Southern California Edison Company
A.26-03-030–AMI 2.0 Application
P.O. Box 800
Rosemead, CA 91770.

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March 27, 2026

Re: Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company to Recover in Customer Rates the Costs to Support Extended Operation of Diablo Canyon Power Plant from January 1 through December 31, 2027, and for Approval of Planned Expenditures of 2027 Volumetric Performance Fee (U39E)

To Whom It May Concern:

On March 27, 2026, Pacific Gas & Electric Company (PG&E) filed its application with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to recover in customer rates the costs to support extended Operation of Diablo Canyon Power Plant (DCPP) from January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2027, and for approval of planned expenditure of 2026 volumetric performance fees. Pursuant to Senate Bill 846, Southern California Edison Company (SCE) customers will pay for a portion of the DCPP extended operations costs. The CPUC has assigned Docket Number A.26-03-031 to this proceeding.

The enclosed notice is being published in a newspaper of general circulation in Southern California Edison Company's service territory and will be included as a bill notice provided to every SCE electrical customer. To obtain more detailed information, you may view or download a copy of SCE's filing and supporting testimony on our website, at www.sce.com/applications. You may also request a print copy of these documents from SCE at the address listed in the enclosed notice.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Ryan Jerman

Ryan Jerman

RTJ/kdl
Enclosure(s)

Notice of Southern California Edison Company's Rate Increase Request

Pacific Gas and Electric Company's (PG&E) Diablo Canyon Power Plant (DCPP) 2027 Cost Recovery Application to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) (A.26-03-031)

What is Being Requested?

PG&E is authorized to recover DCPD costs from the customers of other electric utilities in California, including customers of Southern California Edison Company (SCE) with no additional markup. PG&E is the only applicant seeking approval from the CPUC. SCE customers are responsible for \$208.330 million, and SCE is required by law to collect that authorized amount. SCE is providing this notice of PG&E's application because it could result in a rate increase for SCE's customers.

Proposed Increase by Customer Class

Customer Class	¢/kWh Increase	% Increase
Residential (Non-CARE)	0.13	0.3%
Residential (CARE)	0.08	0.4%
Lighting, Small, & Medium Power	0.10	0.3%
Large Power	0.07	0.4%
Agricultural & Pumping	0.08	0.3%
Street & Area Lighting	0.06	0.2%
Standby	0.05	0.3%

How Would This Impact the Average Residential Customer?

If the request is approved, the average residential customer using 500 kWh per month would see a bill increase of approximately \$0.65 per month in 2027. Similarly, a typical CARE residential customer using 500 kWh per month would see a rate increase of \$0.42 per month. The actual impact will vary based on usage, baseline territory, and other factors.

Additional Information

You can read more about the utility's request and make public comment by visiting apps.cpuc.ca.gov/c/A2603031. For questions about participating in CPUC matters, you can contact the Public Advisor's Office at Public.Advisor@cpuc.ca.gov, **1-866-849-8390**, or 505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, CA 94102. Please reference A.26-03-031 in any communication with the CPUC.

Questions About the Request

For questions about this application, please contact SCE by: Phone: **1-800-655-4555**; Email case.admin@sce.com; Mail: Eric Lee, A.26-03-031 – 2027 DCPD Cost Recovery Application, Southern California Edison Company, P.O. Box 800 Rosemead, CA 91770, or visit www.sce.com/applications for further information.

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company to
Recover in Customer Rates the Costs to Support
Extended Operation of Diablo Canyon Power Plant from
January 1 through December 31, 2027, and for Approval
of Planned Expenditures of 2027 Volumetric

Application 26-03-031
(Filed March 27, 2026)

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY (U 39 E)
TO RECOVER IN CUSTOMER RATES THE COSTS TO SUPPORT EXTENDED
OPERATION OF DIABLO CANYON POWER PLANT FROM JANUARY 1 THROUGH
DECEMBER 31, 2027, AND FOR APPROVAL OF PLANNED EXPENDITURES OF 2027
VOLUMETRIC PERFORMANCE FEES**

Please take notice that on March 27, 2026, Pacific Gas and Gas Electric Company (PG&E) filed Application No. A.26-03-031, Application with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). Pursuant to Rule 1.9 and 3.2 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the California Public Utilities Commission, the Application, testimony, and other exhibits will be made available on PG&E's website at the following locations:

<https://www.pge.com/en/regulation.html>

A copy of the documents described above will be provided immediately upon the written request of the party receiving this notice. All requests should be directed to:

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Approval of Planned Expenditures of 2027 Volumetric

Application 26-03-031
(Filed March 27, 2026)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the Notice of Availability of Pacific Gas and Gas Electric Company Application has been served to the cities, counties and government agencies as called out in Rule 3.2(b) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

Dated at San Diego, California this 3rd day of April 2026

Evalette Bennett

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G Garden Grove City Hall
Wed 4/15/2026 6:29 pm PDT


It's Autism Acceptance Month! 🌈

This April and beyond, let's continue to push f...




Engagements	25
Views	654
Reach	448
Engagement Rate (per View)	3.8%

G gardengrovecityhall
Wed 4/15/2026 6:27 pm PDT



Views	396
Reach	319
Comments	0
Story Taps Back	17

G gardengrovecityhall
Wed 4/15/2026 4:11 pm PDT



Views	535
Reach	450
Comments	0
Story Taps Back	1

 **gardengrovecityhall**
 Wed 4/15/2026 2:30 pm PDT

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Engagements	24
Views	948
Reach	612
Engagement Rate (per View)	2.5%


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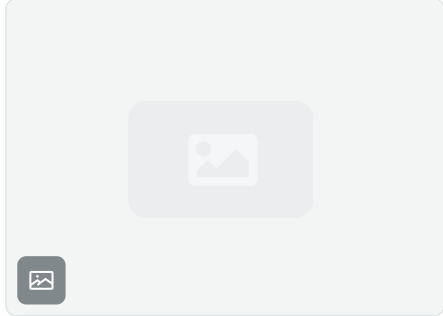


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Engagement Rate (per Impression)	0%
Potential Reach	4,732

 **gardengrovecityhall**
 Wed 4/15/2026 12:19 pm PDT

April is Arab American Heritage Month! 🇸🇦

Join us in celebrating our Arab American...



Engagements	0
Views	—
Reach	—
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 **@CityGardenGrove**
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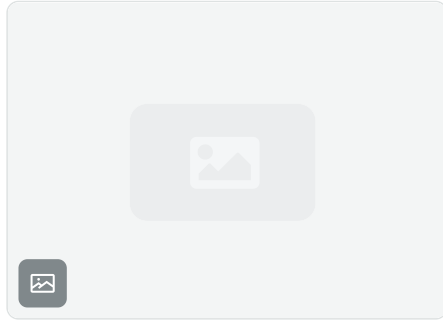
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Potential Reach	4,732

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 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Wed 4/15/2026 10:30 am PDT

April is Arab American Heritage Month! ❤️

Join us in celebrating our Arab American...




Engagements	0
Views	0
Reach	0
Engagement Rate (per View)	—

 **@CityGardenGrove**
Mon 4/13/2026 5:09 pm PDT

It's California Mosquito Awareness Week, **#GardenGrove!** 🦟 While mosquitoes may be small, they can pose a serious public health...

Continuing through April 15



Engagements	5
Impressions	104
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.8%
Potential Reach	5,464

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Mon 4/13/2026 5:09 pm PDT

🔗 For more safety tips, visit gg.city/wnv and ocvector.org.

#GG1956 #TogetherWeFight
#FightBackOC #DumpandDrain
#mosquitoes #mosquitocontrol
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Engagements	4
Post Link Clicks	1
Impressions	63
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	6.3%
Potential Reach	4,732

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Mon 4/13/2026 5:09 pm PDT

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Engagements	11
Views	1,928
Reach	443
Engagement Rate (per View)	0.6%


Garden Grove City Hall

Mon 4/13/2026 5:09 pm PDT


It's California Mosquito Awareness Week, **#GardenGrove!** 🦟 While mosquitoes may be small, they can pose a serious public health...


Engagements	20
Views	1,114
Reach	822
Engagement Rate (per View)	1.8%

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 Fri 4/10/2026 1:57 pm PDT





Views	536
Reach	448
Comments	0
Story Taps Back	48

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Reach	550
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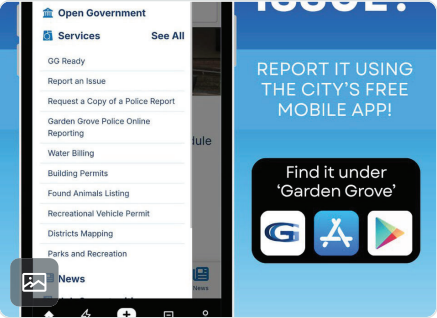
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 Thu 4/9/2026 7:26 pm PDT




Views	1,132
Reach	850
Comments	0
Story Taps Back	7

 **@CityGardenGrove**
Thu 4/9/2026 1:25 pm PDT


 When driving in the rain, slow down, drive cautiously and make sure your headlights are on....




Engagements	1
Impressions	92
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.1%
Potential Reach	5,459

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Thu 4/9/2026 11:21 am PDT


#GGAAlert Upcoming Storm System April 10 through April 12



Engagements	48
Views	1,373
Reach	879
Engagement Rate (per View)	3.5%

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#GGAAlert Upcoming Storm System April 10 through April 12

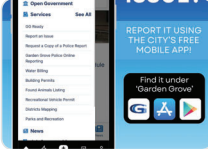


Engagements	13
Impressions	131
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	9.9%
Potential Reach	4,734



  **gardengrovecityhall**
Thu 4/9/2026 8:05 am PDT

#GGAlert Upcoming Storm System April 10 through April 12

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Engagements	35
Views	3,159
Reach	1,470
Engagement Rate (per View)	1.1%



  **@CityGardenGrove**
Thu 4/9/2026 7:42 am PDT

Kính mời quý vị đến tham dự buổi hội thảo về thiết kế. Chúng tôi rất mong được lắng nghe ý tưởng của quý vị về cách tiếp tục cải thiện thiết kế của Little Saigon cho các thế hệ tương lai


Thứ Bảy, 25 Tháng Tư
11AM - 1PM
Garden Grove Courtyard Center



Engagements	0
Impressions	58
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	0%
Potential Reach	4,734

  **@CityGardenGrove**
Thu 4/9/2026 7:42 am PDT

Với lịch sử phong phú và văn hóa Việt-Mỹ năng động, Little Saigon là một trung tâm văn hóa và thương mại đầy sức sống và mở rộng sang các khu vực thuộc Garden Grove, Fountain Valley và Santa Ana.



Engagements	1
Impressions	70
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.4%
Potential Reach	4,734



Post Performance

April 9, 2026 – April 15, 2026


Review the lifetime performance of the posts you published during the publishing period.




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 Garden Grove Police Department

 **Garden Grove Police Department**
 Mon 4/13/2026 8:00 am PDT


They're the calm voice in the chaos, the steady hand behind every call, and the lifeline when seconds matter most. 🙏❤️...




Engagements	114
Views	2,949
Reach	2,152
Engagement Rate (per View)	3.9%

 **Garden Grove Police Department**
 Sat 4/11/2026 8:00 am PDT


Hey Garden Grove, it's time for a little medicine cabinet makeover!
 Bring your expired or unwanted meds (sorry,...



Engagements	39
Views	3,142
Reach	2,304
Engagement Rate (per View)	1.2%

 **Garden Grove Police Department**
 Thu 4/9/2026 9:47 pm PDT

We are deeply saddened to hear of the passing of Tulare County Sheriff's Deputy Randy Hoppert. Our thoughts and prayers are with h...



Engagements	493
Views	10,533
Reach	7,335
Engagement Rate (per View)	4.7%



Garden Grove Police Department

Thu 4/9/2026 9:47 am PDT

April is Autism Awareness Month!

Stop by our front desk to pick up your sticker...



Engagements	568
Views	12,027
Reach	8,154
Engagement Rate (per View)	4.7%

WEEKLY MEMO 04-16-2026

NEWS ARTICLES

OC Register

April 16, 2026

Great Wolf Lodge indoor water park offers season passes for first time ever



Great Wolf Lodge in Garden Grove is offering season passes for the first time in its history. (Photo by Joshua Sudock, Orange County Register/SCNG)

By **BRADY MACDONALD** | bmacdonald@scng.com

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The Great Wolf Lodge just down the street from Disneyland has finally launched a season pass program that will get you into the indoor water park for unlimited visits without booking an expensive stay at the hotel.

The Southern California Great Wolf Lodge is offering season passes for the first time ever to the hotel's indoor water park that maintains a constant 84-degree temperature.

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The Great Wolf hotel in Garden Grove is just down Harbor Boulevard from Disneyland, about 2 miles from the Anaheim theme parks.

Great Wolf Lodge season passes for the Garden Grove hotel cost \$130 for weekdays only (Monday-Friday) or \$500 for anytime use (7 days a week).

Passholders will purchase their season passes for one of three seasons throughout the year:

- May 1 to Aug. 31
- Sept. 1 to Dec. 31
- Jan. 1 to April 30

The weekday season passes have a few blackout dates in the upcoming season — May 5, June 18 and 19 and July 3.

Once you buy your season pass, you go to the Great Wolf website to book your day pass for the date you want using your last name and a confirmation number.

There's no limit to how many times you can visit with the Great Wolf season pass, but you can only book one reservation at a time. You can cancel or change your reservation date as often as you want without any fees or penalties.

Season passholders can take part in any of the scheduled hotel activities that include character meet-and-greet photo ops, dance parties, crafts, storytime and yoga.

Great Wolf season passes are a bargain compared to a single full day pass (\$40-\$100) or a half day pass good after 4 p.m. (\$28-\$70).

The season passes are also a great deal compared to a single night in a Great Wolf standard room (\$171-\$431) or a premium suite (\$383-\$1,199).

There's quite a bit of fine print that's worth reviewing before you purchase a Great Wolf season pass.

Kids under 14 must be accompanied by an adult that's 21 or older. Kids 2 and under get into the water park for free and don't need a season pass.

Season passes can't be canceled, transferred or refunded. Parking is not included with the season pass.

Great Wolf season passes do not auto-renew.

OC Register
April 15, 2026

Two years later, Smoke Queen is still rewriting the rules of barbecue

Pitmaster and founder Winnie Yee has pushed past barbecue's old guard, with spectacular results.



Winnie Yee poses for a portrait with her book "Chinese-American Barbecue" at Smoke Queen Barbecue, Thursday, April 9, 2026, in Garden Grove, Calif. (Photo by William Liang, Contributing Photographer)

Two years after opening Smoke Queen Barbecue's [first brick-and-mortar location](#) in Garden Grove, Winnie Yee, one of the country's few female pitmasters, still sometimes catches herself looking around the restaurant in disbelief.

On weekends, which are almost always busy, she glances at the line, the packed tables and customers who know her by name and feel the same rush she did on opening day in March 2024.

"I just get teary-eyed," said Yee. "I walk in and see all these people here, and it just hits me how far this has come."

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For Yee, the two-year mark is more than a business anniversary. It's a milestone that still feels improbable for someone who started smoking brisket in flip-flops in her backyard during the pandemic, mostly as a distraction from financial and global stressors.

“I never imagined that the very first brisket I put in the smoker, in my backyard, in the middle of the night would manifest into something like this,” she said, looking around the patio at her lauded restaurant. “It became something much more than just barbecue.”

This journey has also been a personal one, too.

Yee immigrated from Malaysia in 1987, landing first in Garden Grove with family before eventually settling elsewhere in Orange County. At the time, she was only 6, spoke no English and spent her early years trying to blend in by disappearing in the background.

“I grew up wanting to fit in,” she said. “I didn’t feel like I belonged in this country until my forties. I grew up feeling like I looked different, like I had to hide the parts of who I was, even the food my mom packed for me.”

That history makes Smoke Queen’s success — and its Garden Grove location, a stone’s throw from Little Saigon — feel less like a coincidence than a return.

“It feels like a homecoming,” said Yee. That sense of arrival can be found all over the menu.

Yee’s food still draws from the Central Texas playbook — i.e., ribs and smoked meats done with patience and precision. But she has continued to push the menu beyond straightforward barbecue. A newly added wagyu tri-tip, smoked low and slow before being chilled, then seared to order, has reshaped how she thinks about texture. The Mapo chili is a must. And the panang curry studded with tender chunks of brisket (also available with smoked pulled pork or a la Pit Madam with brisket, pulled pork, pork belly and sausage) remains one of the best dishes across Orange County.

Even dessert carries Yee’s imprint, like the pandan banana pudding made with hand-extracted pandan leaf in lieu of vanilla, which lends the dish both its pastel green hue and ever-so-slightly grassy, nutty notes.



Gchi Tran opens the door to a smoker at Smoke Queen Barbecue, Thursday, April 9, 2026, in Garden Grove, Calif. (Photo by William Liang, Contributing Photographer)

But the pork belly char siu remains the clearest expression of her approach. Chinese in flavor, Central Texas in technique. “The cause is 100% Chinese,” said Yee. “But the cooking method is American, low and slow. That’s who I am.”

The audience at [Smoke Queen](#) reflects that duality. A recent visit showed a diverse gaggle of diners, many of them young and sporting Dodgers blue on game day, as well as older Garden Grove residents who clearly know where to find good food. Yee said one of her biggest surprises has been how deeply the food resonates with older Asian immigrants, including customers who remind of her own parents. “They come in and think, ‘This doesn’t look familiar,’ but then they taste it and say, ‘Oh, this tastes like home,’” she said.

Running a brick-and-mortar, however, has brought a different kind of education to Yee. A pop-up could be paused, but a conventional eatery demands more rigorous consistency. “If our employees can’t show up, you’ve got to show up,” she said. “And if the brisket is not in the smoker, you’ve got to make sure it is.” (For the curious, Smoke Queen’s smokers can be spotted smack dab in front of the restaurant.)

Her biggest challenge now is a good one: keeping up. Smoke Queen could use more space, she said. She also praised her staff, saying, “I could pick a handful of them who would step into the fire for me, which is freaking amazing.” It’s a refreshing antidote in an industry often defined by craven chefs and ego-jacked bosses.

There’s also little things that most customers might miss, but Yee doesn’t, like setting out spa water rather than plain iced water for customers waiting in line — “If we care about our water, what are customers going to think about our food?” she said — and the tucked-away hand washing sink, located on the patio, allows for immediate cleansing of barbecue detritus.

An upcoming brunch series is slated to start in May. Yee, who also has a cookbook forthcoming christened “Chinese-American Barbecue” with a forward by Jet Tila and a

slate of food partnerships (Lee Kum Kee and the Dodgers, to name two), said the deeper reward has been building something visible for people who rarely saw themselves reflected in the industry.

“If a small, petite Asian woman can infiltrate the American barbecue industry and have a seat at the table,” she said, “the sky’s the limit for everybody.”

ABC7 Los Angeles
April 15, 2026

OC mom, son reunite with paramedic who delivered baby boy in moving ambulance on 22 Freeway

An emergency delivery turned into an unforgettable story for an Orange County family when a pregnant ambulance on a freeway in Orange County.

Yesenia Avila was 38 weeks pregnant with her second child and a doctor's appointment the day prior had given her no indication that her son would arrive so soon.

"It felt like a movie. It was just so fast," Avila said.

But before 9 a.m., shortly after stepping out of a hot shower, Avila felt a sudden change.

"I was gonna get out of the hot shower and I just felt like a big drop, like a sensation," she said.

With her husband, Daniel Diaz, at work, Avila's sister-in-law rushed her into the car and they started driving to the hospital. But as contractions quickly intensified, and as they encountered rush hour traffic, it became clear they would not make it in time.

"My sister-in-law is in labor," she said in a 911 call. "Her conditions went from five minutes apart to three minutes apart. I don't think we're gonna be able to make it."

They were on the side of the 22 freeway. Emergency crews from the Orange County Fire Authority responded.

"Seeing where it was located, definitely starts raising some concerns," said Greg Williams, a fire captain paramedic with OCFA.

Despite heavy traffic, Williams and his team reached Avila and put her into an ambulance. Within moments, the baby was coming.

"Thank goodness for our excellent dispatching. They were guiding us," Williams said. "When I got her in the back of the ambulance, she stated 'I feel the urge to push', which for me is an indicator that it's time."

Avila was shocked and scared.

"I was like no I called you just to escort me to the hospital. Try to get there. We can make it. And he's like no the baby's coming," Avila recalled.

Minutes later, her son Emeric was born into the moving ambulance.

Diaz, who was rushing to the hospital from work, got the call.

"I was driving and I get the call. It's just like, you know what, just take it easy. The baby's here. I was like what? I missed the whole delivery? I'm sorry. And she's like no it's fine, he's healthy," Diaz said.

In the weeks that followed, the family searched for the paramedic listed on their son's birth certificate. They wanted to thank him in person.

On Tuesday, as baby Emeric donned a firefighter t-shirt and red fire truck socks, the family reunited with Williams at an OCFA station in Garden Grove.

"I just wanted to thank him because it meant a lot to me," Avila said.

For Williams, the reunion meant just as much, saying the experience stood out among the many calls he responds to.

"We see a lot of the other side of things, so to see life, to see a baby being born, it's something to celebrate for sure," Williams said.

New Santa Ana
April 15, 2026

**City of Santa Ana invites community to help
shape Little Saigon design guidelines on
April 25**



The cities of Garden Grove, Fountain Valley and Santa Ana invite community members, business owners and stakeholders to attend the Little Saigon Community Design Workshop on Saturday, April 25, 2026, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Garden Grove Courtyard Center, located at 12732 Main St.

Santa Ana local businesses

"The City of Santa Ana is proud to join our neighboring cities to shape a shared vision for Little Saigon," said **Santa Ana Mayor Valerie Amezcua**. "By working together to create thoughtful design guidelines, we are ensuring that future growth is not only economically strong, but also rooted in the community's identity, history and culture. This collaboration represents our commitment to preserving what makes Little Saigon special while opening the door to new opportunities."

In collaboration with the three Orange County cities, the world-renowned architectural firm Gensler has conducted extensive community outreach over the past several months, including focus groups, surveys, and business-to-business canvassing to incorporate public feedback into a final report that will be presented to each city for adoption later in the year. The workshop represents a culmination to this outreach effort and will give the community another opportunity to share ideas and help form architectural and urban design guidelines for Little Saigon, a vibrant cultural and commercial district that spans parts of Garden Grove, Fountain Valley, Santa Ana and neighboring cities. The effort is intended to help preserve Little Saigon's cultural identity while exploring beautification and place making opportunities that support businesses, residents, and visitors.

"It's been inspiring to see the Tri-Cities working together collaboratively to achieve a common goal," said **Fountain Valley Mayor Jim Cunneen**. "Little Saigon is a special place, and these guidelines will not only enhance visual quality, but also support economic vitality and create a cohesive sense of place that reflects and celebrates the area's unique Vietnamese-American heritage."

Little Saigon remains the largest and most influential Vietnamese-American community in the United States, according to a 2024 demographic and economic profile prepared by Cal State Fullerton's Woods Center for Economic Analysis and Forecasting. The report has helped inform planning efforts now underway across the area.

"Little Saigon is a source of pride for Garden Grove and for the region," said

Orange County map

Garden Grove Mayor Stephanie Klopfenstein. "We encourage residents, business owners, and stakeholders to participate and help create a shared vision for Little Saigon's future."

The initiative is being advanced through California Jobs First grant funding awarded to the cities of Garden Grove, Fountain Valley and Santa Ana. In January 2026, the Garden Grove City Council approved a contract with Gensler to prepare architectural and urban design guidelines for Little Saigon. The consultant team is now working with the participating cities to develop the guidelines, with the project expected to conclude in September 2026.

OC Tribune
April 15, 2026

Dalton honored with naming



The new Garden Grove Police Department building – still under construction – will receive its first “naming.”

At Tuesday’s meeting of the city council, a request by Mayor Pro Tem George Brietigam to name the Community Meeting Room of the three-story building after former mayor and councilman – and police lieutenant – William “Bill” Dalton – was approved unanimously.

“He sort of started the entire project,” said Brietigam. “He would take people on tours of the [existing] building” and point out how small it was for an agency the size of the GGPD.

Bill Dalton’s son Brian – now a police lieutenant – also spoke, noting his father’s dedication to both the department and the city.

Also at Tuesday night’s meeting, the council got an update from Teri Rocco, a member of the Garden Grove Unified School District Board of Education, inviting the board and the public to the 60th Anniversary Celebration of the GGUSD to be held on Friday, May 15 from 4-8 p.m. at the campus of Bolsa Grande High School.

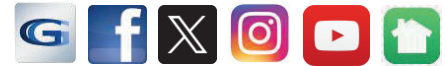


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Tuesday, April 14, 2026

**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR
SUMMER OF FUN AT CAMP GROVE**

Garden Grove, CA – Registration is now open for this year's 'Camp Grove: Fun under the Sun,' a summer day camp program for Garden Grove youth ages 5 to 12. The nine-week program runs June 8 through August 7, Monday through Friday, from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., at Edgar Park, located at 12781 Topaz Street Garden Grove, CA.

Camp weeks are limited on a first-come, first-serve basis and registration is required online by visiting ggcity.org/daycamp. This opportunity offers recreational activities including arts and crafts, field games and excursions.

A complete listing of camp weeks, excursions and fees follows:

- Week 1: June 8-June 12 – Adventure City \$175
- Week 2: June 15-June 19 – Discovery Cube/Atlantis Park \$175
- Week 3: June 22-June 26 – OC Zoo \$175
- Week 4: June 29-July 3 – Sloomoo Institute \$175
- Week 5: July 6-July 10 – Picture Show at Main Place Mall/ Dave & Buster's \$175
- Week 6: July 13-July 17 – Knott's Berry Farm \$200
- Week 7: July 20-July 24 – L.A. Sparks Game \$175

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- Week 8: July 27-July 31 – Disneyland \$250
- Week 9: August 3-August 7 – Great Wolf Lodge \$220

Youth ages 13 to 17 are also invited to join Camp Groves as Counselors in Training (CIT) to gain hands on experience and build leadership skills. Costs are \$60 for each week with the exception of week 8 being \$120 and week 9 is \$85. Application deadlines for CIT are May 4, 2026.

Camp Grove staff are qualified counselors who provide a safe and supportive environment for children to participate in summer activities, develop social skills, and interact with peers, all while ensuring the health and safety of every participant.

For more information and to register, visit ggcity.org/daycamp or call (714) 741-5200.

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Tuesday, April 14, 2026

City will Host Second Free Compost Giveaway April 25

The City of Garden Grove along with Republic Services will host its second compost giveaway of the year on Saturday, April 25, 2026, from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., or until supplies run out. Residents will be able to receive up to six free bags of nutrient-rich compost at the Garden Grove Municipal Service Center, 13802 Newhope Street. The event is open to Garden Grove residents only and proof of residency is required.

The distribution will be held in the center's parking lot on a first-come, first-serve basis. Vehicles must enter from A Better Way, accessible from Anabel Street, north of the Garden Grove Municipal Service Center. Due to the popularity of the free event, residents should expect long lines. This is the second compost giveaway in collaboration with Republic Services.

The Compost Giveaway is one way the City of Garden Grove and Republic Services thank the community for participating in the state-mandated Organics Recycling program, enabling residents and businesses to recycle all food waste, food-soiled paper, and yard waste in their organics cart.

For more information, visit www.ggcity.org/organics.

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GARDEN GROVE INVITES COMMUNITY TO HELP SHAPE LITTLE SAIGON DESIGN GUIDELINES ON APRIL 25

The cities of Garden Grove, Fountain Valley, and Santa Ana invite community members, business owners, and stakeholders to attend the Little Saigon Community Design Workshop on Saturday, April 25, 2026, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Garden Grove Courtyard Center, located at 12732 Main Street.

“Little Saigon is a source of pride for Garden Grove and for the region,” said Mayor Stephanie Klopfenstein. “We encourage residents, business owners, and stakeholders to participate and help create a shared vision for Little Saigon’s future.”

In collaboration with the three Orange County cities, the world-renowned architectural firm Gensler has conducted extensive community outreach over the past several months, including focus groups, surveys, and business-to-business canvassing to incorporate public feedback into a final report that will be presented to each city for adoption later in the year. The workshop represents a culmination to this outreach effort and will give the community another opportunity to share ideas and help form architectural and urban design guidelines for Little Saigon, a vibrant cultural and commercial district that spans parts of Garden Grove, Fountain Valley, Santa Ana, and neighboring cities. The effort is intended to help preserve Little Saigon’s cultural identity while exploring beautification and placemaking opportunities that support businesses, residents, and visitors.

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GARDEN GROVE INVITES COMMUNITY TO HELP SHAPE LITTLE SAIGON 2-2-2

“It’s been inspiring to see the Tri-Cities working together collaboratively to achieve a common goal,” said Fountain Valley Mayor Jim Cunneen. “Little Saigon is a special place, and these guidelines will not only enhance visual quality, but also support economic vitality and create a cohesive sense of place that reflects and celebrates the area’s unique Vietnamese-American heritage.”

Little Saigon remains the largest and most influential Vietnamese-American community in the United States, according to a 2024 demographic and economic profile prepared by Cal State Fullerton’s Woods Center for Economic Analysis and Forecasting. The report has helped inform planning efforts now underway across the area.

The initiative is being advanced through California Jobs First grant funding awarded to the cities of Garden Grove, Fountain Valley and Santa Ana. In January 2026, the Garden Grove City Council approved a contract with Gensler to prepare architectural and urban design guidelines for Little Saigon. The consultant team is now working with the participating cities to develop the guidelines, with the project expected to conclude in September 2026.

“The City of Santa Ana is proud to join our neighboring cities to shape a shared vision for Little Saigon,” said Santa Ana Mayor Valerie Amezcuca. “By working together to create thoughtful design guidelines, we are ensuring that future growth is not only economically strong, but also rooted in the community’s identity, history and culture. This collaboration represents our commitment to preserving what makes Little Saigon special while opening the door to new opportunities.”

Community members are encouraged to RSVP at gg.city/lscdw. Translation services will be available at the workshop. Questions may be directed to Garden Grove Project Manager Grace Kim at gracel@ggcity.org.

LITTLE SAIGON'S COMMUNITY DESIGN WORKSHOP

April 25, 2026 | 11AM - 1PM

Garden Grove Courtyard Center

12732 Main St. Garden Grove, CA | [RSVP Link Below](#)



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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

April 16, 2026

1. Calendar of Events
2. Notice of Cancellation of the April 23, 2026 Garden Grove Zoning Administrator meeting.
3. League of California Cities articles from April 10, 2026 to April 16, 2026



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 16, 2026 – May 15, 2026

Thursday	April 16		\$2 Coaches Casual Dress Day
Thursday	April 16	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
Friday	April 17		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Thursday	April 23	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting, CMC
Tuesday	April 28	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Housing Authority Meeting, CMC Sanitary District Meeting, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC
Thursday	April 30	6:00 p.m.	Special Parks, Recreation and Arts Commission Meeting, CMC
Friday	May 1		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Tuesday	May 5	6:00 p.m.	Traffic Commission Meeting, CMC
Thursday	May 7	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
Tuesday	May 12	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC
Thursday	May 14		\$2 Coaches Casual Dress Day
Thursday	May 14	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting, CMC
Thursday	May 14	9:00 a.m.	Downtown Commission Meeting, CMC
Friday	May 15		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Friday	May 15	4:00 p.m. 6:38 p.m.	Pre-Game Tailgate Party Battle of SoCal – Angels vs. Dodgers Game Angels Stadium, Anaheim



NOTICE OF CANCELLATION
OF THE
GARDEN GROVE
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 23, 2026

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Regular Meeting of the Garden Grove Zoning Administrator scheduled for Thursday, April 23, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, is hereby cancelled.

DATED: April 16, 2026

DAVID DENT
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR



City leaders will converge at the Capitol next week to advocate for city priorities, attend a Cities Gubernatorial Forum, and celebrate Cities Week

Apr 16, 2026

Contact: Kayla Sherwood
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MEDIA ADVISORY

Sacramento — Over 400 city officials from throughout the state will be in the state Capitol for the League of California Cities annual City Leaders Summit.

Over three days, city officials will advocate on [key legislation and three city priorities in the state budget](#): restoring funding for the state's flagship Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) grant program, funding to implement the voter-approved Prop. 36, and devoting funding from Cap-and-Invest for clean public fleets and organic waste diversion efforts. Cal Cities will also release new survey data highlighting how cities are responding to the homelessness crisis in their communities.

Cal Cities will also host its first-ever [Cities Gubernatorial Forum](#). The forum will be hosted by political journalist and podcast host, *KQED's* Scott Shafer. Featured candidates include: Xavier Becerra, Matt Mahan, Tony Thurmond, and Betty Yee. The City Leaders Summit occurs during California Cities Week, a celebration to recognize the many ways that our diverse cities make life better in California. To mark the week, Assembly Member Blanca Pacheco is authoring the resolution, ACR 143, which has become an annual statewide acknowledgement of the vital role cities play in our lives and the public officials who power them.

Cities Gubernatorial Candidate Forum

April 23, 2026

11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m.

SAFE Credit Union Convention Center

[Watch the livestream or the recording](#)

If media are interested in attending the Cities Gubernatorial Candidate Forum contact Kayla Sherwood at ksherwood@calcities.org to register.

League of California Cities City Leaders Summit

April 22-24, 2026

SAFE Credit Union Convention Center

Established in 1898, the League of California Cities is a nonprofit statewide association that advocates for cities with the state and federal governments and provides education and training services to elected and appointed city officials.

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These are (most of) the biggest bills for cities in 2026

Apr 15, 2026

By Cal Cities Staff

Lawmakers introduced nearly 1,800 bills this year. Some should sound very familiar, especially for folks who followed [last year's legislative saga](#). There are bills on state homelessness funding, transit-oriented development, metal theft, wildfire liability, and local coastal plans. But legislators are also focused on a whole crop of new or new-ish issues.

Reconstruction agencies, offshore drilling, unsafe e-bike behavior, whippets, and public records requests have all risen to the top this year. And the Legislature has struck a slightly different tone in the housing space, with several bills focused on reducing construction costs, increasing factory-built housing, and spurring missing middle housing.

It's a long list. But Cal Cities' legislative team has sorted through the hundreds of bills and narrowed them down to a few dozen with the greatest impact. These are the most important bills to watch — and possibly act on — as the year unfolds.

-Brian Hendershot, Cal Cities Advocate managing editor

Community Services

The legislative session started with a proposed \$500 million cut to the state's flagship homelessness grant program. Cal Cities and [its allies sent a letter](#) to Gov. Gavin Newsom and legislative leaders urging them to restore the Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) program to its previous funding levels of \$1 billion and commit to annual investments.

Cal Cities is also focused on ensuring that small and medium-sized cities can access those resources through a sponsored measure that would increase access to HHAP funding for cities with populations under 300,000. [AB 1708 \(Solache\)](#) would require regions to plan for funding homelessness programs and services in smaller cities and establish a clear, consistent process for cities to access funds. The bill passed out of the Assembly Housing Committee and is headed to the Assembly Human Services Committee.

Cities should also keep an eye on [SB 866 \(Blakespear\)](#). This bill would require all but 14 cities to add [extensive homelessness reporting requirements](#) to their housing elements — targeting cities that do not have access to state homelessness funding. Cal Cities has an oppose unless amended position on the measure and is advocating instead to include all cities in the existing regional planning processes. This would provide access to the same data SB 866 seeks to collect, but through the same process already used by the largest cities and counties.

Other notable bills include:

- [SB 329 \(Blakespear\)](#) Alcohol and drug recovery or treatment facilities: investigations
Cal Cities Position: Sponsor
 - [SB 490 \(Umberg\)](#) Alcohol and drug programs
Cal Cities Position: Sponsor
- *Caroline Grinder, legislative advocate*

Housing, Community, and Economic Development

The Legislature has struck a slightly different tone in the housing space, with several bills focused on reducing construction costs, increasing factory-built housing, and spurring missing middle housing through new subdivisions, condominiums, and townhomes. But lawmakers — and Cal Cities — are also focused on addressing other land use issues, including housing elements and the fallout from [SB 79 \(Wiener, 2025\)](#).

Sponsored by Cal Cities, [AB 2296 \(Papan\)](#) would improve the housing element review process by giving cities six more months to complete their housing elements. The measure would also require the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to provide clearer direction in its review letters to local governments and schedule individualized technical assistance meetings with local planning staff during the 7th Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) Cycle, following the issuance of findings letters.

[SB 79 \(Wiener, 2025\)](#), one of Cal Cities' priority bills [last year](#), remains a focus in 2026. SB 79 squeaked through the Legislature after 13 rounds of amendments. So far, lawmakers have introduced five clean-up measures. Although the proposed legislation is a good start, Cal Cities believes the proposals do not do enough to help cities implement SB 79; the bill will officially become law in seven counties on July 1, according to [HCD guidance](#) released this March.

Cal Cities is advocating for the following changes to SB 79: Delay implementation until the 7th RHNA cycle, provide adequate time for each metropolitan planning organization to develop a map of transit-oriented development stops and zones, clarify Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing expectations, and require clear guidance and technical assistance from HCD.

Impact fees remain a topic of conversation, even after some bills stalled earlier this year due to [Cal Cities' advocacy](#). [SB 1117 \(Cervantes\)](#) would dramatically limit the amount of impact fees cities could collect for accessory dwelling units larger than 750 square feet. For example, if a project applicant proposes a 1,000-square-foot unit, local governments could only charge impact fees for 250 square feet. This would severely limit the funding for essential infrastructure and public services. Local agencies can only charge the amount necessary to provide services and infrastructure; these fees are not used to generate revenue. Cal Cities and a coalition of several local government groups oppose the measure.

Other notable bills include:

- SB 79 clean-up measures: [AB 2415 \(Hoover\)](#), [AB 2576 \(Harabedian\)](#), [SB 677 \(Wiener\)](#), [SB 722 \(Wahab\)](#), and [SB 1361 \(Durazo\)](#)
Cal Cities Position: Varies

- [AB 1621 \(Wilson\)](#): Planning and zoning law: postentitlement phase permits: housing accountability act
Cal Cities Position: Oppose Unless Amended
 - [AB 1751 \(Quirk-Silva\)](#) Missing Middle Townhome Ownership Act
Cal Cities Position: Oppose Unless Amended
 - [AB 1997 \(Lee\)](#) Land use: housing development approvals: timelines and processes
Cal Cities Position: Oppose
 - [AB 1567 \(Ta\)](#) General plan: annual report: congregate and residential care for the elderly
Cal Cities Position: Support
 - [SB 417 \(Cabaldon\)](#) and [AB 736 \(Wicks\)](#): The Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2026
Cal Cities Position: Support
- [Brady Guertin, legislative advocate](#)

Revenue and Taxation

As costs rise and traditional funding sources become more volatile, Cal Cities is focused on ensuring cities have reliable tools to fund core services. Sponsored by Cal Cities, [SB 922 \(Laird\)](#) would help cities maintain and repair local streets. Heavy service vehicles like garbage and recycling trucks can cause significant road damage, and cities have historically recovered those costs through service-related fees. A recent court decision, *Rogers vs The City of Redlands*, disrupted this long-standing practice, creating uncertainty and risk of litigation. SB 922 would clarify that cities can continue including in these fees the cost of road repair, helping cities maintain streets without shifting costs onto residents. The bill recently passed out of the Senate Local Government Committee with unanimous support and is now on the Senate Floor.

A proposal [from outside the Legislature](#) by the California High-Speed Rail Authority to enter Tax Increment Financing districts around planned station areas is [drawing significant](#) attention. The proposal would allow the state to capture future growth in local property tax and sales tax revenues to fund high-speed rail. This comes at a time when cities are already facing increasing service demands and infrastructure needs, making the potential loss of future revenue particularly impactful. The proposal would also set a precedent for shifting local revenues to state-directed projects. [Cal Cities and local partners](#) are actively pushing back, emphasizing the importance of protecting local revenues and preserving local decision-making authority.

Other notable bills include:

- [SB 1349 \(Gonzalez\)](#) Taxation: tax expenditures: Legislative Analyst's Office: report and recommendation
Cal Cities Position: Support
 - [AB 2192 \(Gonzalez, Jeff\)](#) Sales and use taxes: farm equipment and machinery
Cal Cities Position: Oppose
 - [AB 2214 \(Jackson\)](#) Government finance: deposits
Cal Cities Position: Oppose
- [Ben Triffo, legislative advocate](#)

Public Safety

One of Cal Cities' top priorities this year is securing funding to fully implement Proposition 36. Cal Cities is partnering with [Asm. Stephanie Nguyen and Sen. Catherine Blakespear](#) on a \$400 million funding request that would expand service capacity, secure in-custody treatment, and allow for individualized planning and monitoring.

Cal Cities is also focused on the continued prevalence of metal theft through [AB 1941 \(Gonzalez, Mark\)](#). This measure, co-sponsored by Cal Cities, would increase the penalty for organized metal theft and provide an additional tool to law enforcement to help curtail this expensive and damaging crime. Cities around the state have experienced organized metal theft targeting streetlights, potholes, and broadband.

Another co-sponsored measure, [SB 758 \(Umberg\)](#), would address the illicit use of nitrous oxide, better known as laughing gas or whippets, by closing a loophole in state law. The odorless, colorless chemical has become a popular and [dangerous recreational drug](#); cities throughout the state are passing ordinances banning the sale of nitrous oxide at smoke shops and convenience stores in response.

Cal Cities is also supporting several measures trying to solve the state's homeowner insurance crisis: [AB 1559 \(Calderon\)](#), which focuses on aerial images taken by insurance companies; [AB 1934 \(Bennett\)](#), which looks at home hardening; and [SB 1301 \(Allen\)](#), which takes aim at nonrenewal practices by insurance companies.

Other notable bills include:

- [SB 1013 \(Cervantes\)](#) Automated License Plate Recovery Systems
Cal Cities Position: Oppose Unless Amended
- [SB 907 \(Archuleta\)](#) Driving under the Influence
Cal Cities Position: Support
- [AB 2041 \(Carrillo\)](#) Emergency Medical Services
Cal Cities Position: Oppose

- *Jolena Voorhis, legislative advocate*

Environmental Quality

Cal Cities' environmental quality portfolio is jam-packed with bills on disaster preparedness, [CEQA](#) exemptions, and local coastal plans.

Two sponsored measures would make it easier for cities to prepare for and respond to disasters. [AB 2517 \(Calderon\)](#) would require the Office of the State Fire Marshal to provide consistent, timely public updates when developing local fire hazard severity zone maps — [a notable oversight](#) in the current process. [AB 1866 \(Rogers\)](#) would ensure that the state prioritizes public assistance for cities that do not qualify for federal disaster aid — [typically small, rural, and low-income communities](#) — after a state-declared emergency.

Cal Cities is also supporting [AB 2385 \(Petrie-Norris\)](#). The bill clarifies that cities can reconstitute redevelopment agencies for disasters, called local reconstruction agencies, to support disaster recovery efforts. And the Legislature is primed to grapple with [wildfire liability debates](#) for utility-caused wildfires through two intent bills: [AB 1554 \(Calderon\)](#) and [SB 1370 \(Stern\)](#). Cal Cities will issue a formal position on those bills once lawmakers introduce new language.

Several environmental-related bills could impact land use decisions. [AB 2569 \(Hart\)](#) would require agencies to consider how a project impacts people, not just

the environment. [AB 2170 \(Boerner\)](#) would impose unworkable CEQA translation requirements that could invalidate land use decisions based on inaccuracies. As drafted, both bills would drastically increase litigation risk for cities and delay critical housing and infrastructure projects. Cal Cities opposes the measures. Another bill, [SB 1075 \(Reyes\)](#), would force agencies to consider air quality over all other environmental factors when considering projects. In addition to undermining CEQA, it would expose cities to new legal risks, in part by expanding the Attorney General's ability to sue local governments based on citizen petitions to void land use decisions. Cal Cities is opposed to the bill, unless it is amended to ensure local land use authority and upholds holistic environmental reviews.

Coastal legislation is also in no shortage this year. [AB 2373 \(Dixon\)](#) is a Cal Cities-sponsored measure that would let coastal cities use a [neighborhood-scale adaptation](#) approach when updating their Local Coastal Programs (LCP). Updating these plans can be a costly, complex process. On the flip side, [AB 2254 \(Addis\)](#) would mandate an LCP update for the overwintering habitat sites of the monarch butterfly. This bill includes some inaccurate reasoning about both the butterflies and LCPs that could set a flawed precedent for other species. Cal Cities is opposed unless amended and is urging the author to give coastal cities flexibility to implement policies that are most appropriate for the local conditions.

Other bills would be much more beneficial for coastal cities. [SB 1318 \(Allen\)](#) would help coastal cities to better regulate non-owner-occupied short-term rentals. [AB 1938 \(Irwin\)](#), if amended, could make it easier to protect surf areas that hold cultural, recreational, and economic significance. And lawmakers are proposing a resolution to formally oppose the federal administration's plan to [expand offshore oil facilities](#) through [SJR 12 \(Laird\)](#) and better regulate pipelines and hazardous spills through State Fire Marshal oversight in [AB 1536 \(Addis\)](#), which Cal Cities supports.

Other notable bills include:

- [SB 1313 \(McNerney\)](#): PFAS: Drinking Water: State Revolving Fund Program
Cal Cities Position: Sponsor/Support
- [AB 2513 \(Petrie-Norris\)](#): Regional Forest and Fire Capacity Program: regional landscape grants
Cal Cities Position: Support
- [AB 2739 \(Soria\)](#): Water: Affordability and system stabilization
Cal Cities Position: Support
- [SB 1218 \(Arrequin\)](#): Refusal of registration: illegal dumping violation penalties
Cal Cities Position: Support
- [AB 2462 \(Pellerin\)](#): Unsafe products: disposal: penalties
Cal Cities Position: Support
- [SB 1081 \(Laird\)](#): Waste discharge requirements: minimum penalties: exceptions
Cal Cities Position: Support
- [AB 1577 \(Bauer-Kahan\)](#): Data centers: reporting
Cal Cities Position: Support

- *Melissa Sparks-Kranz, legislative advocate*

Transportation, Communications, and Public Works

Cal Cities has [developed new policies](#) to address [a spike](#) in dangerous e-bike behavior and its impact to communities. The Legislature has introduced approximately a dozen related bills — including [AB 1569 \(Davies\)](#), [AB 1614 \(Dixon\)](#),

and [AB 2346 \(Wilson\)](#). Supported by Cal Cities, the three bills address common issues with e-bikes while balancing statewide consistency with local flexibility. Cal Cities is engaged on all e-bike measures to ensure they preserve local control, enhance public safety, and impose new requirements on manufacturers. Electric vehicle charging station permits are also a huge topic in the Legislature. [AB 1820 \(Schiavo\)](#) seeks to arbitrarily cap what cities can charge for residential and commercial electric vehicle charging station permits. Cal Cities is opposing the bill, arguing that there is no evidence that local permitting fees are a primary barrier to new charging stations. Rather, the real bottlenecks are private investments, grid capacity, and infrastructure readiness. Cal Cities has pushed back against Gov. Gavin Newsom's proposal to provide tax credits to sustainable aviation fuel using local streets and roads funding. Cal Cities is also calling on the Legislature to provide at least \$100 million from Cap-and-Invest funding to help cities comply with the Advanced Clean Fleet regulation.

Outside of the Legislature, Cal Cities has spearheaded efforts opposing the California Air Resources Board's proposed changes to the Advanced Clean Fleet regulation. The changes would effectively force cities to act as an enforcement arm for the state by requiring them to report on zero-emission vehicle fleets within private fleets that cities contract for street sweeping, construction, waste hauling, and other services.

Other notable bills include:

- [SB 1283 \(Ashby\)](#): Electric Vehicle Charging Permitting
Cal Cities Position: Oppose
 - [SB 1001 \(Archuleta\)](#): Cal OES: Public Works ID Badges
Cal Cities Position: Co-sponsor
 - [HR 95 \(Caloza\)](#): Public Works Month
Cal Cities Position: Co-sponsor
- [Damon Conklin, legislative advocate](#)

Governance, Transparency, and Labor Relations

Perhaps the biggest issue for cities is a two-year bill that would drive up costs for cities and roll back key pension reforms passed into law over a decade ago by reducing the benefit age factor for public safety employees, [among other things](#). Lawmaker last year pressed pause on [AB 1383 \(McKinnor\)](#) after opposition from Cal Cities and others. However, Asm. Tina McKinnor moved the bill out of Assembly Appropriations in January after adopting several changes that reduced the bill's cost. The measure passed off the Assembly Floor on a 70-2 vote and is now awaiting a Senate hearing. Cal Cities opposes the measure.

Cal Cities also opposes [AB 1564 \(Ahrens\)](#), a repeat of [AB 340](#) by the same author from last year. The bill would prohibit cities from questioning employees or their union representatives about communications concerning workplace matters. This would restrict cities' ability to conduct workplace investigations while adding new costs and liability.

Cal Cities is proud to co-sponsor [AB 1821](#) by Asm. Blanca Pacheco. The bill would make a small but practical change to the California Public Records Act by shifting the current 10-day response period from calendar days to business days, giving

agencies the full number of working days intended to determine whether requested records are disclosable.

Lawmakers could also make further changes to the Ralph M. Brown Act through [SB 1187 \(Durazo\)](#). This comes in the wake of a new law, [SB 707 \(Durazo, 2025\)](#), that [dramatically overhauled](#) local government meeting requirements. Cal Cities will keep cities up to date as the bill develops.

Cal Cities is opposed to several notable artificial intelligence bills:

- [SB 951 \(Reyes\)](#) Employment: technological displacement: notice
Cal Cities Position: Oppose Unless Amended
- [SB 947 \(McNerney\)](#) Employment: automated decision systems
Cal Cities Position: Oppose
- [AB 2027 \(Ward\)](#) Worker data: prohibitions: artificial intelligence
Cal Cities Position: Oppose
- [AB 1883 \(Bryan\)](#) Workplace surveillance tools
Cal Cities Position: Oppose
- [AB 1898 \(Schultz\)](#) Workplace artificial intelligence tools
Cal Cities Position: Oppose

- *Johnnie Piña, legislative advocate*

Next steps

Lawmakers have May 1 to get any non-fiscal bills through the first round of policy committee meetings. For a weekly breakdown of the biggest bills, check out [Bill Talk](#). The weekly primer is organized around Cal Cities' [advocacy priorities](#). To learn how you can make your voice heard — or to get a copy of Bill Talk early on Monday — contact your [regional public affairs manager](#).



Bill Talk: Wow! That's a lot of bills

Apr 15, 2026

A weekly update from Cal Cities, sorting through the state bill buzz

By Cal Cities Staff

The weather is starting to heat up, and so is the Legislature. This week, the Assembly Housing Committee will review two measures sponsored by Cal Cities, along with a bill that would require cities without direct access to state homelessness funding to report on programs outside their control.

Also on the docket are three sponsored measures in Cal Cities' Environmental Quality portfolio, as well as a measure seeking to crack down on dangerous sideshows and a bill targeting electric vehicle charging station permitting. And Cal Cities is urging cities to support a \$400 million funding request for Proposition 36 implementation.

But wait, there's more: Gov. Gavin Newsom has proposed a [jet fuel tax credit](#) that he says would cut emissions — at the expense of local streets and roads. Cal Cities is also pushing back on a set of [proposed changes](#) to the Advanced Clean Fleets regulation that would introduce new administrative burdens for cities.

-Brian Hendershot, Cal Cities Advocate managing editor

Sponsored housing bill to face first committee hearing

The Assembly Housing Committee on April 15 made a change to a housing element bill sponsored by Cal Cities. As drafted, [AB 2296 \(Papan\)](#) would give cities an extra six months to begin the housing element review process and require the Department of Housing and Community Development to provide more detailed feedback to local agencies.

Assembly Housing amended the bill to remove a section that would have delayed the effective date of new housing element laws or amendments to housing element law for local agencies, despite a [recommendation](#) by the California State Auditor's office to provide a transition period for local governments to comply with new state laws due to opposition from some housing advocates. With the committee amendments, the committee voted to pass the bill to the Assembly Local Government Committee with bipartisan support, 11-0.

Cal Cities is proud to sponsor the measure and encourages cities to submit letters in support once these changes are in print.

- Brady Guertin, legislative advocate

Sponsored HHAP funding bill passes out of committee

Assembly Housing on April 15 unanimously approved another measure sponsored by Cal Cities, [AB 1708 \(Solache\)](#). The bill seeks to increase access to Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention (HHAP) funding for cities with populations under 300,000. Specifically, the bill requires regions to work directly with smaller cities to identify programs and interventions that serve unhoused residents and identify funding to help sustain and address the financial needs of those programs. AB 1708 would also require regions to establish a clear process for smaller cities interested in applying for HHAP funding and consider dedicating a portion of that funding for smaller jurisdictions.

Cities should write and call their lawmakers, urging them to support this bill.

- Caroline Grinder, legislative advocate

Letters needed for homelessness reporting measure

The Senate Housing Committee passed [SB 866 \(Blakespear\)](#) on April 15. Cal Cities has an oppose unless amended position on the bill and is [urging cities](#) to submit letters to voice their concerns. The bill would require all but 14 cities to add extensive homelessness reporting requirements to their housing elements. Only [a handful](#) of the state's largest cities get direct state funding to address homelessness. To receive [HHAP funding](#), recipients must submit regional plans that include performance metrics. SB 866 would require cities that do not receive HHAP funding to add these same metrics to their housing elements. Cal Cities is urging the author to amend SB 866 to include all cities in the existing regional planning processes already used by California's largest cities. This would protect smaller cities from unnecessary costs and red tape, while upholding transparency.

- Caroline Grinder, legislative advocate

Cal Cities will continue to fight for Prop. 36 funding at Senate budget hearing

On Thursday morning, a [Senate subcommittee](#) will convene to discuss Proposition 36. Overwhelmingly approved by voters in 2024, the ballot measure created a new Treatment-Mandated Felony to address the surge in retail theft and shoplifting. Since then, some jurisdictions have implemented the initiative, but full implementation has been delayed due to inadequate funding. Last year, the Legislature provided approximately \$100 million for implementation to trial courts, behavioral health, and public defenders. Lawmakers did not provide funding for probation, which is essential to the success of Prop. 36.

With the help of Sen. Catherine Blakespear and Asm. Stephanie Nguyen, [Cal Cities has requested \\$400 million](#) to expand service capacity, secure in-custody treatment, and allow for individualized planning and monitoring to fully implement Prop. 36.

Jolena Voorhis, Cal Cities' public safety legislative advocate, will discuss this critical budget ask during the subcommittee's hearing. Cal Cities will circulate an action alert asking cities to contact their legislators and Senate Subcommittee #5 and request their support for this budget ask. [A city sample letter is available online](#).
- *Serena Scott, legislative affairs analyst*

Cities encouraged to join coastal planning bill coalition letter

Asm. Diane Dixon has introduced [AB 2373](#), a measure that would let coastal cities use a [neighborhood-scale adaptation](#) approach when updating their Local Coastal Programs. Updating these plans can be a costly, complex process. AB 2373 would allow for more tailored and manageable climate resilience planning solutions while following the Coastal Act. The Assembly Natural Resources Committee will hear the bill on April 20; coastal cities can [sign on to Cal Cities' coalition letter](#) by filling out a short form.

- *Melissa Sparks-Kranz, legislative advocate*

Fire hazard map improvement bill sails to next committee hearing with unanimous support

[AB 2517 \(Calderon\)](#) is set for a hearing in the Assembly Emergency Management Committee the week of April 20th. Sponsored by Cal Cities, the bill would require the Office of the State Fire Marshal to provide [consistent, timely public updates](#) when developing local responsibility area fire hazard severity zone maps. The current process often leaves cities without the scientific data they need to fully understand which areas are at greatest risk for fires.

The Assembly Natural Resources Committee supported AB 2517 with unanimous, bipartisan support. Cities can continue to submit their support letters using Cal Cities' [action alert](#).

- *Melissa Sparks-Kranz, legislative advocate*

Insurance transparency and accountability priority bill heads to hearing this week

This morning, the Assembly Insurance Committee approved [AB 1559](#), a measure authored by Committee Chair Lisa Calderon. This bill focuses on addressing the [ongoing residential insurance crisis](#). Since 2021, insurance companies have canceled 400,000 insurance policies in California alone, many in low-risk areas. AB 1559 would increase transparency in insurance companies' decisions regarding coverage renewals based on aerial imagery. In the face of limited coverage, high premiums, and wildfire devastation, residents need a clear understanding of the steps they can take to safeguard their insurance coverage. Cal Cities supports the measure.

A [sample city letter](#) is available online.

- *Serena Scott, legislative affairs analyst*

Cal Cities-sponsored PFAS bill advances to Senate Environmental Quality Committee

The Senate Environmental Quality Committee will review a bill taking aim at forever chemicals on April 22. Sponsored by Cal Cities, [SB 1313 \(McNerney\)](#) would clarify that PFAS treatment and infrastructure projects that remove forever chemicals from

local water supplies are eligible for funding under the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund program. Forever chemicals are a major concern for cities and water agencies up and down California, especially with a new federal drinking water standard that requires public water systems of all sizes to address these contaminants. [A sample support letter](#) is available for cities.

- *Melissa Sparks-Kranz, legislative advocate*

Townhome bill bucks the trend for major streamlining proposals

The Assembly Housing Committee will hear [AB 1751 \(Quirk-Silva\)](#) on April 15. The measure would require cities to automatically approve a parcel map or tentative final map for townhome development projects in multifamily residential zones and underutilized single-family zones — regardless of local rules and state-certified housing elements.

Cal Cities has an oppose unless amended position. It is requesting that the author limit the bill to multifamily residential zones that comply with local objective development standards, as has been the case historically for major streamlining proposals by the Legislature.

- *Brady Guertin, legislative advocate*

Cal Cities to testify in support of sideshow crackdown bill

On Tuesday, the Assembly Public Safety Committee gave the green light to [AB 1588 \(Stefani\)](#), which would toughen penalties for sideshows. This measure targets repeat offenders and people who cause serious injuries during a sideshow. Cal Cities testified in support of the bill, alongside a representative from the San Francisco Police Department. In recent years, local police departments throughout the state have reported an increase in dangerous, illegal sideshows and street takeovers, which have resulted in injuries, deaths, and property damage.

A [sample city letter](#) is available online.

- *Serena Scott, legislative affairs analyst*

Bill targets local permitting of electric vehicle charging stations

The Assembly Committee on Local Government will hear [AB 1820 \(Schiavo\)](#) on April 15, a measure that seeks to arbitrarily cap what cities can charge for residential and commercial electric vehicle charging station permits. Cal Cities is opposing the bill, arguing that there is no evidence that local permitting fees are a primary barrier to new charging stations. Rather, the real bottlenecks are private investments, grid capacity, and infrastructure readiness: Cities stand ready to partner with the state to further meet zero-emission vehicle goals.

-*Damon Conklin, legislative advocate*

A quick reminder

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HCD releases SB 79 clarifications, but cities need more direct guidance

Apr 15, 2026

By Brady Guertin, legislative advocate (housing)

Last month, the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), in consultation with four major councils of government, released [advisory clarifications and definitions on SB 79 \(Wiener, 2025\)](#). Gov. Gavin Newsom signed the transit-oriented development bill last year after 13 rounds of changes — with promises from lawmakers to further refine it this year.

The guidance is intended to help metropolitan planning organizations develop maps showing where SB 79 will apply statewide. Although the guidance includes some helpful clarifications, many cities will need more direct guidance or technical assistance before they begin implementing SB 79 on July 1.

For example, cities need guidance on how to comply with the state’s [anti-discrimination housing law](#) under SB 79, adopt alternative plans, and determine the income levels associated with SB 79 projects due to the affordability requirements that SB 79 projects must comply with.

The document does confirm which counties, and the cities therein, need to comply with SB 79 if they have qualifying transit stops: Alameda, Los Angeles, Sacramento, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, and San Diego. Analysts last year were unsure which areas the bill would impact.

The guidance also provides some examples of eligible rail types and public transit, which, according to HCD, might help local jurisdictions implement the new law. However, the guidance is at minimum, confusing, and potentially contradictory — especially as it pertains to future rail stops.

HCD also notes on its [website](#) that a submittal checklist and transit-oriented development site templates are forthcoming, re-emphasizing the fact that neither the state nor local governments are prepared for the July 1 deadline.

What exactly does SB 79 do?

SB 79 requires cities in seven counties to approve residential development projects near specific transit stops under one-size-fits-all development standards, unless HCD approves an alternative plan or ordinance, starting July 1. The alternative plan and ordinance option were major selling points for proponents of SB 79; however, local agencies don’t have nearly enough information to begin these plans, adopt ordinances, and secure state approval before the fast-approaching deadline.

This year, lawmakers are advancing five clean-up measures, but cities need more help to properly implement SB 79. Cal Cities is urging lawmakers to delay the law until the 7th Regional Housing Needs Allocation Cycle, ensure HCD provides ongoing technical assistance, and create a deadline for the maps so local agencies can understand how to incorporate SB 79 into their planning efforts.

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The hotly debated return of wildfire liability

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Lawmakers are poised to make yet another major, late-session policy decision

By Melissa Sparks-Kranz, legislative advocate (environmental quality)

Legislators this year are considering changes to who pays for wildfires — and how — in response to [a report](#) recently released by the [California Earthquake Authority](#).

The report outlines several policy options, including one that could reshape how much money victims and cities receive for utility-caused wildfires.

In the wake of the [January 2025 Southern California wildfires](#), all the report's recommendations are on the table for this session. Cal Cities is urging lawmakers to reject any changes to the state's strict wildfire liability framework — a constitutional standard unique to California that holds electrical corporations accountable for ensuring the safety of their infrastructure.

Lawmakers are aiming to host a public hearing on the issue in May, with more to follow later in the year.

Why is the earthquake authority in charge of a wildfire report?

Late last year, lawmakers passed a major clean energy package that included [SB 254 \(Becker\)](#). The bill, among other things, tasked the earthquake authority with developing this report for the Governor and Legislature on wildfire threats and liability.

The earthquake authority manages the California Wildfire Fund, which provides money for the state's three largest private utilities in the event they need to pay wildfire victims and local governments for wildfire-related damages. The fund is paid for by ratepayers and shareholders.

Cal Cities, along with the California State Association of Counties and Rural County Representatives of California, last year [submitted a joint letter](#) outlining their opposition to changes to the state's wildfire liability framework. This issue was last litigated by the Legislature in 2019, following the 2018 Camp Fire and the 2017 Tubbs Fires, two of the state's most destructive fire events.

The report addresses insurance accessibility and affordability, wildfire mitigation, victims' attorneys fees, wildfire liability, and other topics. Notably, it includes overhauling inverse condemnation as one key policy lever. That recommendation alone could be the most consequential — and the most [politically fraught](#).

What is inverse condemnation, and why does it matter?

Courts have long ruled that electric utilities provide a public good by serving electricity to a vast majority of the state. Therefore, they have the power of eminent domain — to take private property. But property owners can also take legal action when said infrastructure damages private property. Coined inverse condemnation, this strict requirement holds electric utilities accountable, so their infrastructure does not cause catastrophic wildfires.

Currently, if investigators determine that a utility's infrastructure is the cause of a wildfire, the utility is responsible for *fully* compensating property owners and local governments for damages to those properties.

The report notes that eliminating inverse condemnation could lower electric utilities' cost risks and thus overall lower electricity bills. But ultimately, any such change would simply shift the cost to ratepayers via their insurance bills, to local governments, and the state, all trickling back down to ratepayers.

While Cal Cities is opposed to such changes, it is supportive of many other actions that reduce wildfire risk, such as streamlining vegetation management projects in high fire areas, increasing the frequency of fire hazard data (as detailed in a [Cal Cities-sponsored bill](#)), and ensuring insurance companies account for wildfire mitigation efforts when determining coverage.

Should lawmakers move changes to this framework forward, they would need to bring the measure to voters for approval. Legislators could try to lessen liability through other means — such as capping the amount owed to victims on an individual or on a per-event aggregate basis. Those changes would not need to go before voters. However, this could be severely detrimental and inequitable, as both fire victims and local governments would not be fully compensated for damages.

Cities should stay alert for updates from Cal Cities on what will likely be late in the session legislative play.



Green jet fuel tax credit would set a troubling precedent

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By Damon Conklin, legislative advocate (transportation)

Cal Cities and a coalition of statewide partners are calling on lawmakers to reject a [sustainable aviation fuel tax credit](#) proposal put forth by Gov. Gavin Newsom earlier this year. The group's message is simple: Climate policy should not come at the expense of local infrastructure and public safety.

The impact would be immediate and real. The proposal would redirect up to \$165 million annually in diesel excise tax revenues — growing to \$300 million over time — away from [constitutionally protected funding for road maintenance](#). For cities, that means fewer pavement repairs, delayed safety improvements, and rising long-term costs at a time when [they are already struggling](#) to keep up with basic maintenance.

The [Legislative Analyst's Office](#) (LAO) found the proposal to be a costly and inefficient climate strategy with uncertain environmental benefits. The LAO warned that it could deliver fewer emissions reductions than expected while creating deeper-than-projected losses to transportation funding and deviating from voter-approved protections on fuel tax revenues.

A [separate report](#) by the LAO states that under current conditions, California will experience a net transportation funding decline of nearly 31% within the next decade.

Because the credit is tied to diesel tax liability, only a limited number of refiners qualify. In practice, one California facility — [Phillips 66's Rodeo refinery](#) — is eligible to capture the benefit, alongside potential out-of-state producers. Cal Cities is concerned that the state is attempting to effectively redirect road repair funds to support a narrow segment of the fuel industry, rather than investing in broadly beneficial infrastructure.

Years of underfunding have forced communities to delay critical repairs, allowing conditions to worsen and costs to escalate. Every dollar diverted under this proposal would compound that problem.

Cities are committed to advancing California's climate goals. But taking funding from already strained transportation systems to subsidize an expensive fuel alternative — one already supported by multiple incentive programs — is not sound policy.



Bill would make a modest adjustment to California Public Records Act response timeline

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By Johnnie Pina, legislative advocate, and Brian Hendershot, Cal Cities Advocate managing editor

The Assembly Judiciary Committee on Tuesday approved [AB 1821 \(Pacheco\)](#), a bill that would provide an important, practical clarification about the California Public Records Act. Cal Cities is co-sponsoring the bill, along with the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) and the California Municipal Clerks Association. The bill is also supported by other local government and education organizations. The California Public Records Act is a vital tool that allows the public to hold government accountable. However, in recent years, local agencies have seen a sharp rise in both the volume and complexity of public records requests, along with a decline in key revenue sources that once offset these costs.

What would the bill do?

Under existing law, agencies must determine within 10 days whether a request seeks disclosable records, with a possible 14-day extension in unusual circumstances. AB 1821 would shift the number of days local governments have to respond to records requests from calendar days to business days.

This common-sense update reflects the operational realities of local agencies: Most public agencies do not have staff available on weekends or holidays. A business day standard ensures agencies have the full, intended number of working days to conduct thorough and accurate searches for disclosable records.

Why it matters

According to CSAC, local agencies in California have reported a 73% increase in records requests over the past five years, with over 90% diverting staff time away from core services to meet these demands. Modern government operations now generate far more disclosable records — including emails, texts, and internal messages — which require extensive searching, review, and redaction of sensitive information such as attorney-client communications, personal identifiers, and medical or criminal data.

At the same time, agencies have lost key revenue sources that once offset these costs: Proposition 42 (2014) eliminated state reimbursement for compliance, and a 2020 California Supreme Court ruling restricted agencies from recovering staff time or technical costs associated with producing records. As a result, local governments must absorb the full cost of increasingly time-intensive requests.

An earlier version of this bill would have addressed this issue by allowing agencies to recover reasonable costs for exceptionally burdensome searches. However, the measure was amended as ongoing discussions continue.

What can my city do?

The bill now heads to the Assembly Appropriations Committee. Cities should submit [a letter in support](#) of the policy and in appreciation of Asm. Blanca Pacheco for taking on this challenging topic. To learn how to make your voice heard, contact your [regional public affairs manager](#).