

# Newark News



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## Newark Days



**N**ewark Days is back! After a two-year hiatus due to the pandemic, we are happy to announce that Newark Days is back, live and in-person!

So, mark your calendars! This four-day festival takes place every September and commemorates the City's birthday. This year's celebration will take place Thursday, September 15th, through Sunday, September 18th. Events include a carnival, parade, food and game booths, the Newark Mile 4k race, live stage shows, a car

show, an arts, crafts and trade fair, a community information fair, and a variety of kid-friendly activities.

The parade kicks-off at 9:45 am on Saturday, September 17th, starting at City Hall on Newark Boulevard, working its way down Newark Boulevard to Cedar Boulevard, and ending up at the Community Center.

For more information on this special event, please visit the Newark Days Celebration website at [www.newarkdays.org](http://www.newarkdays.org).

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## Get help paying your overdue water bill

**L**ow Income Household Water Assistance Program helps you pay your water or wastewater utility bill.

LIHWAP is a federally funded program that offers low-income households a one-time payment to help pay outstanding bills for residential water or wastewater costs. In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, the federal government awarded California funding to help households struggling to afford the costs of water, and many Californians in need may qualify.

The amount of help that you may get will depend on the past due balance of your household's residential water and wastewater bills. Households whose utility payments are included in their rent may also be eligible for LIHWAP. In addition, program participation is limited to households receiving services from water and wastewater providers enrolled in LIHWAP to receive the payment of assistance benefits.

Low Income Household Water Assistance Program can offer a one-time payment to help you:

1. Pay your residential water and wastewater utility bills.
2. Manage an emergency or water crisis, such as a service disconnection.
3. Prevent other adverse effects such as debt collection or placement of liens.

If you are struggling to afford your residential water or wastewater bills, and you live in Alameda County, please contact Spectrum Community Services to see if you qualify and to apply. Call 510-881-0300; or email [LIHEAP@spectrumcs.org](mailto:LIHEAP@spectrumcs.org); or visit <https://www.spectrumcs.org/>

## Community cleanup

**NEWARK COMMUNITY CLEAN UP**

THE CITY OF NEWARK AND REPUBLIC SERVICES ARE HOSTING A COMMUNITY CLEAN UP EVENT!

WHEN: SATURDAY OCTOBER 8TH 2022 7:00a-11:00a  
 WHERE: 37440 FILBERT ST  
 WHO: OPEN TO ALL NEWARK RESIDENTS. RESIDENTS WILL BE ASKED TO BRING A UTILITY BILL (WITH NEWARK ADDRESS) AND A MATCHING CALIFORNIA DL OR ID (WITH NEWARK ADDRESS)

**Accepted:**

- Appliances
- Bulky trash
- E-waste
- Furniture
- Mattress
- Metals and untreated wood
- Reusable household goods
- Tires

**Not Accepted:**

- Hazardous waste - batteries, paint, motor oil, chemicals, light bulbs, etc.
- Construction debris (rock, concrete, painted wood)
- Household trash
- Propane tanks, gas cylinders/lawn mowers

Appointments only. Please email [mainreq@newark.org](mailto:mainreq@newark.org) with your full name and preferred time for an appointment.

## Vote By Mail Ballot Drop Box at Civic Center

**T**he Vote By Mail Ballot Box previously located outside of the old Newark Library at 6300 Civic Terrace Avenue, has been moved to the Newark Civic Center. The Vote By Mail Ballot Box is now located in the Civic Center Plaza area between the Police Department and the David W. Smith City Hall, 37101 Newark Boulevard. The Vote By Mail Drop Box is available 24 hours a day beginning 29 days before an election. You may return your voted ballot until the close of the polls at 8 p.m. on Election Day.

Vote by mail allows voters to cast a ballot without going to a voting center. The Alameda County Registrar of Voters office mails ballots to the registered address of the voter beginning 29 days before an election. The voter marks the ballot and returns it by mail, ballot drop box, any vote center in Alameda County, or at the Alameda County Registrar's office. For more information about voting by mail, contact the Registrar of Voters Office at (510) 272-6973.

**FREE Annual HOLIDAY Tree Lighting**

**Monday, December 5th**

**NEWARK CIVIC CENTER**  
 37101 Newark Blvd  
 5:30 pm-7:30 pm

Crafts | Photo booth | Cookies & Hot Cocoa

**Toy Drive:**  
 Bring a new, unwrapped toy for our toy drive sponsored by Newark PD! Each toy gets you a raffle ticket for a chance to win some fun prizes!

More information to come!

# Big changes at NewPark Mall

**B**rookfield Properties continues to make progress on NewPark Mall redevelopment as approved through the NewPark Place Specific Plan, adopted by the City Council in 2021. The developer is moving forward with the first phase of the project which includes demolishing portions of the existing mall, building a new Costco, as well beginning construction on the first phase of residential development, known as Phase A, which would be located near the former Sears building.

## Costco

The Costco project includes a new 161,800 square foot retail warehouse

and fueling station with 32 gas pumps. The project will result in the demolition of approximately 207,000 square feet of the existing mall, including the former Burlington Coat Factory and JC Penny buildings. The demolition work is underway and is expected to be completed soon. The Costco infrastructure and building pad are expected to be complete in October. The Costco building is expected to be constructed in 6 to 8 months with an anticipated completion in mid-2023.

## Phase A Residential

The Phase A Residential project consists of 319 apartment units, with 29 affordable housing units and 3,700

square feet of retail space in one building. The developer has submitted permit applications for infrastructure improvements and building construction. Minor demolition work associated with construction of new utility infrastructure has already begun. A more visible change will occur when a portion of the Sears building will be demolished near the end of 2022. The apartment building is expected to be completed by early 2025.

For more information on the NewPark Place Specific Plan, Costco, and Phase A, please visit the city's website at: <https://www.newark.org/NewParkPlaceSpecificPlan>.



1. The first photograph at the upper left depicts the demolition of the old JC Penney building and parking lot.
2. The picture at the upper right is a rendering of Phase A (the first residential project) described above.
3. Rendering of Costco building.






## Child Care Center

### YOUTH ACTIVITIES SCHOLARSHIP

- Available to Newark residents age 17 & under who have financial constraints
- Proof of residency verification & scholarship eligibility MUST accompany application
- Participants pay 25% of program fee at the time of registration
- If approved, child is eligible for a FREE Annual Membership to the Silliman Family Aquatic Center, which will begin on the day of application approval & will not renew



Ages 3-5



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Now accepting enrollment!

**REGISTRATION HOURS:**  
TUES-THURS 8:00AM - 11:00AM  
or by appointment - email [recreation@newark.org](mailto:recreation@newark.org)

REGISTRATION IS AT THE SILLIMAN FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER

Newark Community Center Annex  
35501 Cedar Blvd.

Registration Fee: \$75  
Weekly Rate: \$235

510-578-4438  
LIC # 010214941



## POSTAL CUSTOMER



# Bulletin Board

### City Offices closed

- Fridays, September 16 and 30
- Fridays, October 14 and 28
- Friday, November 9
- Thursday and Friday, November 24 and 25 - Thanksgiving
- Fridays, December 9 and 23
- December 26, 2022 - January 1, 2023 - Holidays

### Operating hours

City offices are currently open to the public Monday through every other Friday 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. Most services are still being offered online, by email, and by telephone. Please visit [www.newark.org](http://www.newark.org) for updated information for your specific needs.

Please be advised that this schedule is subject to change. Please visit our website for the most up-to-date information.

### Republic Services Holiday Schedule

- *Veterans Day - Friday, November 11, 2022.* Residential, Business Small Container and Large Container (Industrial) Services will run as regularly scheduled. There will be no interruption of service due to the holiday.
- *Thanksgiving Day - Thursday, November 24, 2022; Christmas Day - Sunday, December 25, 2022, New Year's Day - Sunday, January 1, 2023.* No collection service; administrative offices closed. If your pickup day falls on one of these holidays, it will be delayed by one day.

### Newark Library news

Check [aclibrary.org](http://aclibrary.org) or call (510) 284-0675 for current program information.

- Newark Library will be an 11-day Vote Center, October 29-November 8
- After school programs start the week of September 12.
- Teen Weekly Wednesdays - after school fun, 4:30-5:30 pm
- Once a month Learn Through Play (Special Needs-friendly), Wednesdays, 4-5 pm
- Saturday, October 15, 3-4 pm - Desis of Silicon Valley - oral history presentation

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