

# MILLBRAE NEWS

## BI-WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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<https://bit.ly/Millbraenews>



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# Millbrae 2024 Water Quality Report Summary

**Learn About Your Water System** Did you know your water comes from San Francisco? That's right, Millbrae and 24 other cities and water districts buy water from SFPUC, sourced from reservoirs in the Sierra Nevadas, Alameda County, San Mateo County, and Hetch Hetchy. No wonder it tastes so good! Five main entry points feed Millbrae's system, all monitored through our SCADA system, which provides real-time water quality data so our water division can respond quickly to any issues.

**Key Findings** 2024 testing showed we consistently met or exceeded all regulatory standards.

**Turbidity Levels** Turbidity measures suspended particles in water. Think about when you're wading at the beach, you shuffle your feet against the sand, and the water suddenly turns from its usual murky green to brown, the sand is now suspended in the water rather than being settled on the ocean floor, that's turbidity. Thanks to our water system, all filtered waters were clear with turbidity levels well below regulatory limits, showing we're doing a great job filtering your water!

**Disinfection Byproducts** Sometimes, when chemicals mix, they produce another chemical that was not meant to occur, this is called a byproduct. When our water was tested for trihalomethanes, a group of chemicals that can form in drinking water when chlorine (common disinfectant) reacts with organic matter, we averaged 49 parts per billion(ppb), the max allowable level is 80 ppb. Our water was also tested for Haloacetic acids (HAAs) another byproduct of chlorine and organic matter, averaged 42ppb where the max allowable level is 60ppb.

**Fluoride** Making your dentist appointments cheaper! We maintain fluoride at the optimal 0.7 ppm to prevent tooth decay and minimize dental fluorosis risk.

**Lead and Copper** Our 2022 testing shows lead levels at 4.9 ppb which is better than 90% of water systems. While no city water lines contain lead, your home may have lead pipes. To be safe, consider using filters or letting the faucet run before use. Read more about large scale pipe flushing on page 3.

**PFAS** There's been concern over PFAS "forever chemicals" used in non-stick pans, stain-resistant fabrics, and food packaging. Fortunately, our 2023 voluntary monitoring found no detection above reporting levels!

**Boron** We detected 2.3 ppm boron in untreated Alameda Watershed water, which exceeded California's 1 ppm limit. However, the water was diluted below 1 ppm before treatment, so what reached your home had safe boron levels.

*Check out the full report here <https://bit.ly/millbraeccr> or request paper copy by calling (650) 259-2374.*

## Chill & Chat Ice Cream Social with Councilwoman Riley

Saturday, August 23, 2025  
1:00PM-3:00PM

Marina Vista Park  
100 Bay Street  
Millbrae, CA 94030



# Why hydrant flushing is important for our water system

Ever chewed out one of our water guys because you saw them opening a fire hydrant and letting perfectly good water flow into the gutter? This article might make you think twice.

Flushing water mains can seem contradictory to the City's commitment to water conservation. However, the health of our water system and our residents is more important, and here's why.

Flushing water mains is crucial for keeping our water quality clean, it removes sediment, mineral deposits, and other buildup that can accumulate in pipes. When you see a hydrant being released for flushing, the pressurized water flows at high speed, making it look like our water guys are wasting a lot of water. Think about it like our water division is pressure washing the pipes. Not only does this remove impurities, but it also improves water pressure by clearing any blockages and damaging air pockets.

Next time you see our team out flushing hydrants, give them a friendly wave, they're the ones making sure your water stays clean and safe! Want the full picture of our water quality? Check out page 2 of our 2024 Water Quality Report.



Michael Penagos and Saul Gonzalez working to repair a fire hydrant hit and damaged 07/27/25. The team installed new pipe, valve, and riser components to restore full service to the area.



## Water Efficient Edible Gardens

*Lecture by Loretta O'Brien*

**Saturday, August 30, 2025**  
**10:00AM-11:30AM**  
**Millbrae Recreation Center**

**REGISTER NOW**  
[bit.ly/MillbraeEdibleGarden](http://bit.ly/MillbraeEdibleGarden)



## NEW SPIN E-BIKE RIDE PRICES

**BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1ST**

**NEW** Pricing is changing to:  
**\$1 to unlock + \$0.42/minute**

Reduced rates are available for income qualified on Spin Access. Burlingame & Millbrae are actively seeking additional grant funding to subsidize rides again in the future.

Download Spin to Ride  
<https://www.spin.app>



# Bayside Manor Construction Progress Photos

Project Manager Amer Zreika (650)259-2325



## Street Resurfacing Progress Photos

Project Manager Kristian Alarcon (650) 259 - 2346

Progress update on the 2025 Street Resurfacing Project in the Upper Meadows neighborhood:

Dig Outs are areas where damaged pavement is being removed and repaired to ensure a strong base before final resurfacing. Please note that these are not the final driving surface, but important preparation work ahead of the upcoming slurry seal.

Existing street markings are being removed as part of the preparation process. New striping will be applied once the final slurry seal is in place.

Please Note: The dig outs may appear rough or unfinished, but they are a key step in the process. The final slurry seal is scheduled to be applied in the coming weeks, which will create a smooth, uniform surface throughout the area.

We thank you for your patience and cooperation as we work to improve the condition of your streets. Please continue to observe No Parking signs and temporary traffic controls to help keep the project on schedule and ensure everyone's safety.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact project manager: Kristian Alarcon (650) 259 - 2346.





**FALL REGISTRATION**

**FALL ACTIVITY GUIDE**  
SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER 2025  
REGISTRATION OPENS JULY 28

[bit.ly/milrec](http://bit.ly/milrec)

**OPENS JULY 28**

**What's New in Millbrae Recreation!**  
Check our website for more information about  
classes, events, and registration for activities at:  
[bit.ly/milrec](http://bit.ly/milrec)

**MILLBRAE RECREATION PRESENTS**  
**INDOOR ADULT PICKLEBALL**  
MONDAYS AND FRIDAYS / 6:00 PM-8:15 PM  
6/9-8/1

**Price:**  
**\$19.75/ 5 Day Pass**  
**\$3.95/ Drop In**

**CAROLINE SHEA CENTER**  
**850 TAYLOR BLD, MILLBRAE**

**REGISTER AT** [bit.ly/milrec](http://bit.ly/milrec)

**SENIOR WALKING**

LET'S KICK OFF SUMMER  
WITH A WALK AROUND  
MILLBRAE CENTRAL PARK

AFTER WE WILL HAVE  
REFRESHMENTS AND  
ICE CREAM!

WALKING BEGINS AT 11:00AM  
EVERY THURSDAY  
TELL YOUR FRIENDS!!

MEET AT THE  
MILLBRAE RECREATION CENTER LOBBY  
477 LINCOLN CIRCLE

**BE IN THE KNOW!**  
**MILLBRAE SENIORLINE**

If you would like to receive a copy of our Seniorline newsletter,  
you can subscribe online at  
[bit.ly/millbraeseniorline](http://bit.ly/millbraeseniorline)  
or by calling 650-259-2338

**Classes, Programs, Events, and Information for Seniors**

# We're Hiring!

Position	Salary	Job Type	Close Date
Chief Building Official	\$128,295.00-\$173,198.00 (annually)	Full-Time	Until Filled
Public Works Construction Inspector	\$54.61-\$69.70 (hourly)	Full-Time	Until Filled
Maintenance Worker I	\$32.89-\$41.98 (hourly)	Full-Time/ Part-Time	Until Filled
Recreation Leader I, II, III (Youth Sports Coach)	\$16.28-\$21.81 (hourly)	Part-Time	Continuous

Apply now: [www.calopps.org/city-of-millbrae](http://www.calopps.org/city-of-millbrae)

## Leash Law

If you're a pet owner in Millbrae, here's what you need to know about keeping your furry friends safe while out and about.

According to Millbrae Municipal Code 6.04, dogs must be on a leash when on public streets, sidewalks, parks, school grounds, or any public property. The leash must be properly connected to your pet's collar, harness, or halter.

Cat owners, don't worry, we won't make you force fluffy into a harness, the leash requirement doesn't apply to our feline friends, who can continue their neighborhood supervision duties unleashed.

There's also an important exception for service animals. If your dog is a professional, they are exempt from the leash requirement when they're under the complete control of their owner or caretaker.

With school starting up, we'd like remind you to please keep dogs off sports fields to ensure safe, clean spaces for student activities.

The bottom line is simple, when you're out in public with your dog, make sure they're leashed. It keeps everyone safe, shows you're a responsible pet owner, and helps avoid any potential fines. Thanks for following the law Millbrae!

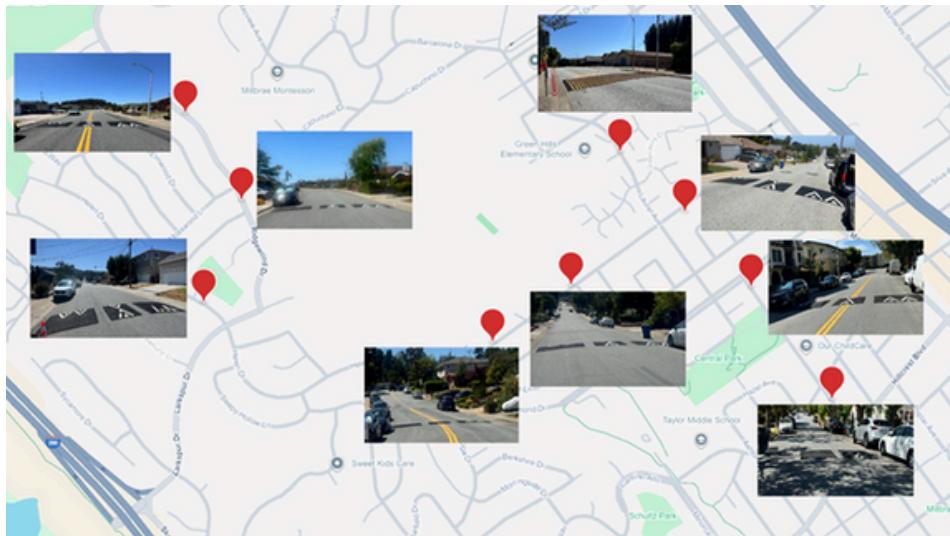
See our Municipal Code [codepublishing.com/CA/Millbrae](http://codepublishing.com/CA/Millbrae)



# Traffic Calming Program

Our Traffic Calming Program helps make neighborhoods safer and more walkable by slowing down drivers on residential streets. On a case-by-case basis our engineers will install speed bumps, raised crosswalks, speed cushions, curb extensions/bulb-outs and better road markings to make streets safer for everyone.

Last year, we made improvements to Park Boulevard with new road striping, plastic posts, and a flashing light. City Engineers have monitored the effectiveness of the project and are assessing the impacts of additional speed cushions or speed tablets, specifically on emergency services.



Our Engineering Division is committed to bettering street safety for all. If you have a specific concern regarding traffic calming fill out a [traffic calming request form](#). Make sure to include photos and any other information that would be helpful to our Engineers.

Submit a [Traffic Calming request online via email](#) or at the City Hall Public Works Counter, and our Engineers will investigate.

*This map shows speed cushions installed in the City of Millbrae.*

## Millbrae Farmer's Market

### Shop summer fruits and vegetables!



Visit the Millbrae Farmers Market every Saturday, 8:00am–1:00pm!

Located in the City Parking Lot on the 200 block of Broadway, between La Cruz & Victoria.

Shop fresh produce while supporting local farmers offering fruits, veggies, eggs, honey & more!



# save the date

## EV + ENERGY SHOWCASE

**Saturday September 13, 2025  
10:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

PARKING LOT AT MAGNOLIA  
AND LIBRARY AVE, MILLBRAE

Learn, Explore and  
Electrify!



Please join us at the EV + Energy Showcase Saturday September 13, 2025 from 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM in Parking Lot at Magnolia and Library Ave, Millbrae.

Learn about rebates, incentives, and program from Millbrae, the County and Peninsula Clean Energy and more.

Explore EVs Sit in real electric vehicles and chat with local EV owners.

Home Electrification Discover induction cooking, new EV chargers in Millbrae and more.

Bonus e-bike info, vehicle to load demo (Use your EV Battery to power external devices) and take the electrification pledge!



**CITY OF MILLBRAE**

# Beats, Brews & Vines

**NEW TIME!**

**AUGUST 21, 2025**  
**5:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

**DOWNTOWN MILLBRAE -  
HILLCREST AND BROADWAY**

**5:00 PM -  
6:00 PM**

**JUSTIN &  
JEREMY  
GARCIA**

**6:00 PM -  
8:00 PM**

**PRIDE  
AND  
JOY**

**MUSIC, DRINKS, DANCING!**





# Upcoming Events



**Aug 5**  
5:30 PM

**National Night Out**  
Millbrae Central Park  
477 Lincoln Cir, Millbrae



**Aug 8**  
8:15 PM

**Millbrae Goes to the Movies**  
Featuring Kung Fu Panda 4  
Millbrae Central Park  
477 Lincoln Cir, Millbrae



**Aug 9**  
11:00 AM

**Mills Estate Park Community Meeting**  
Mills Estate Park  
Lake St. and Sebastian Dr.



**Aug 21**  
6:00 PM

**Beats, Brews, & Vines**  
Downtown Millbrae  
Hillcrest and Broadway



**Aug 23**  
1:00 PM

**Chill and Chat with Councilwoman Riley**  
Marina Vista Park  
100 Bay St.



**Aug 30**  
10:00AM

**Water Efficient Edible Gardens**  
Millbrae Recreation Center  
477 Lincoln Cir, Millbrae



**Aug 30-31**  
10:00AM-5:00PM

**Millbrae Art and Wine Festival**  
Downtown Millbrae  
Broadway

For more events visit:  
<https://bit.ly/MillbraeEvents>

## City of Millbrae Mission Statement

*Enhancing the quality of life in our shared community, providing great services, encouraging community engagement, fostering economic growth, and embracing cultural diversity in a safe environment.*

### City Hall Closures

*Employee Recognition: August 21  
11:30AM-1:30PM*

*Labor Day: September 1*

### City Hall Contacts

*City Hall ..... (650)259-2333  
City Clerk ..... (650)259-2414  
Community Development ..... (650)259-2341  
Finance Department ..... (650)259-2350  
Human Resources ..... (650)259-2332  
Public Works ..... (650)259-2339  
Recreation Department ..... (650)259-2360*

### City Council

***City Council is in Recess for the month of August***

*The City Council meets twice a month (second and fourth Tuesday of the month) at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers and schedules special meetings as needed.*

**Anders Fung, Mayor**  
District 5

**Reuben D. Holober, Vice Mayor**  
District 3

**Stephen Rainaldi, Councilmember**  
District 1

**Sissy Riley, Councilwoman**  
District 2

**Bob Nguyen, Councilmember**  
District 4

### Committees and Commissions

**Community Enhancement Advisory Committee**

**Cultural Arts Advisory Committee**

**Economic Development Advisory Committee**

**Parks and Recreation Commission**

**Planning Commission**

**Senior Advisory Committee**

**Sister Cities Commission**

**Youth Advisory Committee**

**Citizen's Oversight Committee**

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