

Public Works News Network

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Public Works News Network Newsletter – July 2026

Stay up to date with all Public Works has to offer! Be sure to stay informed by following the Public Works socials. Details on upcoming community initiatives, division projects, and special seasonal events are also available on our City website below.

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The City of Sacramento Public Works Department is dedicated to providing innovative and sustainable public infrastructure and services. With over 780+ employees across multiple divisions, including Engineering Services, Facilities and Real Property Management, Fleet Management, Maintenance Services, Parking Services, Recycling and Solid Waste, Mobility and Sustainability, and Transportation, we are committed to serving our community.

Through teamwork, integrity, and accountability - we keep the City moving forward.

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Public Works Earns Two APWA Project of the Year Awards

Public Works has been recognized with two APWA Project of the Year Awards, highlighting the department's professionalism, innovation, and commitment to serving the City of Sacramento.

MLK Library Renovation - Dave Avila

The City is nearing completion as the first full renovation of the 54-year-old Martin Luther King Jr. Library. Upgrades include expanded children and teen areas, a new makerspace, improved community space, updated

restrooms, seismic enhancements, a new HVAC system, and modern furnishings. While the branch is closed, services continue through Mobile Services and programs offered at nearby community centers.

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Franklin Boulevard Complete Streets - Megan Johnson

The Franklin Boulevard Complete Streets Project corridor improvements, including pavement markings, signage, landscaping, and traffic signal adjustments. The redesign enhances connectivity and safety for pedestrians, cyclists, transit riders, and drivers, improving access to local businesses and creating safer traffic flow.

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Congratulations to Public Works for delivering high-impact projects that strengthen community access, safety, and connection across Sacramento.

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Sacramento Vision Zero – Action Plan Update: Draft Plan Workshops

Learn about and share your thoughts on the Draft Vision Zero Action Plan from June 15 to August 17!

July 30 – La Familia’s Maple Neighborhood Center



Thursday, July 30, 2026



5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.



Maple Neighborhood Center – Sacramento, CA

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Sacramento is a Vision Zero City. What does this mean? Vision Zero is a traffic safety philosophy that rejects the notion that traffic crashes are simply “accidents,” but instead preventable incidents that can and must be systematically addressed. Through Vision Zero, the City of Sacramento and its partners are committed to working together to create safer streets.

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Through July and August, stay up to date with important updates and share your input at various online and in-person workshops.

Dates, times, and locations to be updated on the division webpage.

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Transportation Planning Division - Electric Bicycle Safety & Law

E-bikes are becoming more common across our region, but not every electric two-wheeled device is the same, and different rules may apply.

Created as part of a joint education and outreach campaign between Public Works, YPCE, and the Sacramento Police Department. The Sacramento Police Department partnered with the Sacramento Sheriff’s Office, Galt Police Department, Sacramento State Police Department, and Sacramento County Rangers in an informational video to share a few important things every rider, and parent, should know.

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From understanding e-bike classes and recognizing the difference between an e-bike and an e-moto, to wearing the proper safety equipment, riding with traffic, and following trail restrictions, knowing the rules can help prevent collisions and serious injuries. Know what you’re riding.

Know the rules. Ride safe.

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City Express: Learn The Basics of Urban Biking and Scooting This Summer with Free City Classes

Residents can build confidence riding bicycles and scooters on street this summer through a series of free [Urban Biking & Scooting 101 classes](#) offered by the City of Sacramento.

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Hosted by the City's Transportation Planning team, the classes provide practical tips for riding on the street, traveling through intersections, avoiding crashes, and enjoying the ride. No bicycle or scooter is required to attend. This class also meets the requirements for the Sidewalk Bicycling Diversion Program.

Summer 2026 in-person class dates include:



Tuesday, August 18, 2026



5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.



Colonial Heights Library, 4799 Stockton Blvd.

SIGN-UP FOR CLASS

A Spanish-language class will also be offered this August. Date, time and location details will be announced soon.

Residents can register for an upcoming session and [sign up for the Transportation Planning newsletter](#) to receive updates on future classes, including the upcoming Spanish-language session.

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City Express: Sacramento Police Issue 31 Citations During Four-Hour Pedestrian Safety Operation



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The [Sacramento Police Department](#) issued 31 citations during a recent traffic safety operation focused on protecting people walking and biking in some of the City's busiest corridors.

During the four-hour enforcement [effort on July 2](#), officers conducted 38 traffic stops at J Street and 17th Street, J Street and 24th Street, and L Street and 13th Street.

Officers issued:

- 26 citations for crosswalk-related violations
- Five citations for other traffic violations

The operation focused on the most dangerous driving behaviors that put pedestrians and bicyclists at risk, including failing to yield the right of way, speeding, illegal turns and other violations.

Drivers should:

- Slow down, especially near intersections and crosswalks.
- Yield to pedestrians at marked and unmarked crosswalks.
- Avoid blocking crosswalks while waiting to turn.
- Never drive impaired.

Pedestrians should:

- Cross at marked crosswalks whenever possible.
- Make eye contact with drivers before crossing.
- Wear bright or reflective clothing and carry a flashlight when walking at night.
- Avoid stepping into the path of approaching vehicles.

Bicyclists should:

- Obey traffic laws and ride in the same direction as traffic.
- Use lights at night and wear a helmet.
- Use bike lanes when appropriate.
- Yield to pedestrians in crosswalks.

The enforcement operation was funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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City Express: City Expands Bike Lane Parking Citations with Three AI-assisted Enforcement Vehicles

AI-assisted bike lane enforcement has been expanded with three City of Sacramento parking enforcement vehicles, giving staff another tool to identify vehicles illegally stopping or parking in bike lanes.

Following a [60-day warning period](#), the City is now issuing citations to drivers who illegally stop or park in bike lanes. During the warning period, the City issued nearly 100 warning notices as part of its public education effort.

Stopping or parking in a bike lane has long been illegal under California law. Parking enforcement officers have always been able to issue citations when they encounter violations during patrols, and Sacramento's automated bike lane enforcement program has been operating on Sacramento Regional Transit buses since 2025.

Drivers who illegally stop or park in bike lanes are subject to a \$150 citation. All potential violations identified by the system are reviewed by City staff before a citation is issued.

Drivers who believe a citation was issued in error may contest it through the City's standard [parking citation review process](#).

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City Express: New Language Access Tools Now Available at City Facilities

Community members who speak languages other than English can now access language identification materials and free interpretation resources at City facilities across Sacramento.

"I Speak" materials are now available at public counters and facilities throughout the city to help residents communicate with City staff and connect with interpretation services when needed.

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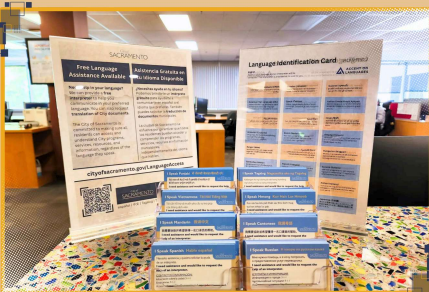
Each display includes:

- Information about free interpretation and document translation services

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- “Point to Your Language” handouts residents can use to identify their language
- “I Speak” cards residents can show to staff to indicate the language they speak

The “I Speak” cards are currently available in Sacramento’s top eight limited English proficiency languages: Spanish, Hmong, Chinese (Mandarin and Cantonese), Russian, Vietnamese, Tagalog and Punjabi.

Additional languages are expected to be added in the future.

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