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**Newsletter**

## CITY OF FOLSOM TO RECEIVE \$4 MILLION FOR RILEY STREET ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROJECT

The City of Folsom is set to receive \$4 million in federal funding for Riley Street safety improvements, including upgraded sidewalks and new bike lanes. The Riley Street project was included as a Community Project Funding request in the FY23 House Transportation, Housing and Urban Development (THUD) Appropriations bill.

The upcoming project will benefit the Folsom community by improving pedestrian safety and connectivity from the Central Business District and Sutter Middle School to the Historic District and light rail station. The city will add sidewalks and bike lanes along Riley Street from East Bidwell Street to Sutter Street. Rep. Ami Bera helped secure the funds for the project as part of a push to expand and improve the Sacramento region's roadways, bike lanes, and public transportation options.

## AT A GLANCE

### FOLSOM COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY

Serve Your Community  
Saturday, September 17

### HOW TO VOTE IN THE 2022 ELECTION

Election Day is November 8.  
Make Your Voice Heard!

### FOLSOM PUTS FOOD WASTE IN ITS PLACE

Green Bin Program Update



## FOLSOM'S VETERANS DAY PARADE ACCEPTING ENTRIES

Thousands will honor local veterans at the annual Wayne Spence Folsom Veterans Day Parade Friday, November 11. The route begins on East Bidwell Street in front of the Target/Home Goods shopping center and ends at the Folsom Community Center, 52 Natoma Street. The City of Folsom is accepting parade entries through Friday, October 28. Find entry forms and information at [www.folsom.ca.us](http://www.folsom.ca.us) or call **916-461-6615** with questions.



## HELP CREATE HOLIDAY MAGIC FOR THE COMMUNITY

Volunteer decorators and carolers are needed for the Folsom City Zoo Sanctuary's Holiday Lights event. Funds raised by the Holiday Lights event help care for the zoo sanctuary's animal residents. Decorating dates begin early in November; register at [www.folsom.ca.us/HolidayVolunteer](http://www.folsom.ca.us/HolidayVolunteer). For more information, email [mrobitaille@folsom.ca.us](mailto:mrobitaille@folsom.ca.us).

## VOLUNTEER FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY

Thousands of volunteers will complete dozens of service projects Saturday, September 17 at the ninth annual Community Service Day. This annual day of service is organized by the City of Folsom, local businesses, and community organizations. The annual event is made possible thanks to generous sponsorship support from Intel, Lennar, the Folsom Telegraph, Style Media Group, Goodfellow Bros., Lakeside Church, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, the Rotary Club of Folsom, and other members of the business and service community. Volunteer registration is open; early registration is encouraged as project teams fill quickly. Register to volunteer at [www.folsomcommunityservice.org](http://www.folsomcommunityservice.org).



# NEW CALIFORNIA BUILDING STANDARDS CODE STARTING IN JANUARY

Looking to remodel your house or build a swimming pool? Talk with your contractor or designer to ensure the design meets new Code requirements.

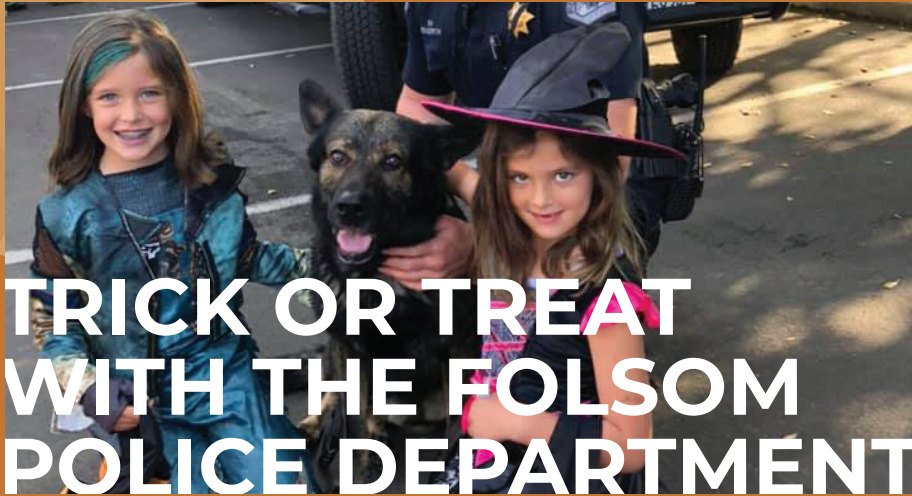
Every three years, the California Building Code is updated and then adopted by the City of Folsom. The updated Code includes clarifications, new requirements, or revisions to the current building requirements. The new 2022 Triennial Edition was released in July and will be adopted and then implemented January 1, 2023.

### SIGNIFICANT CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE UPDATES

- » Fire sprinklers required for all new single-family residences or duplexes (2010 Update).
- » Accessibility requirements reformatted and reorganized to align with Federal Standards (2013 Update).
- » Electric Vehicle infrastructure required for all new construction (2016 Update).
- » Photovoltaic systems required for all new low-rise residential buildings (2019 Update).

### FRIENDS OF THE FOLSOM LIBRARY BOOK SALE

The Friends of the Folsom Library Book Sale returns September 9 through 11, featuring thousands of books and media at deeply discounted prices. Shop from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday for the best selection; \$5 admission on Friday only (military with ID and Friends of the Folsom Library members are free). Admission is free Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.—and Sunday shoppers can fill a grocery bag for just \$5! Learn more at [www.foflib.org](http://www.foflib.org).



# TRICK OR TREAT WITH THE FOLSOM POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Folsom Police Department is hosting a Public Safety Trunk-or-Treat event from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, October 29. Wear your favorite Halloween costume and trick-or-treat as you check out police vehicles, equipment, and programs. Costumes that include weapons are not allowed. For more information about this event, visit [www.folsom.ca.us/police](http://www.folsom.ca.us/police).

## HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS

Enjoy a safe and happy Halloween with these tips from the Folsom Police Department:

- » **Be Safe. Be Seen.** Choose light or brightly colored costumes and add reflective tape or striping to the costume and trick or treat bags. Have each child carry a flashlight with fresh batteries and/or a glow stick.
- » **Make a Plan.** Before leaving your home, plan your route and discuss appropriate behavior that you expect from your child. Have a meeting point in case you and your child get separated and set a time for older children to return home.
- » **Candy Check.** Check for loose wrappers and holes in any candy or wrapper before letting your child eat any of it. Discard homemade treats unless you know and trust the person who gave it to your child.
- » **Home Safe.** Don't open the door for anyone who makes you feel uncomfortable, and never let strangers inside your home.
- » **See Something, Say Something.** Report suspicious activity to the Folsom Police Department at 916-461-6400.

## UNLEASH THE FUN!

The Steve Miklos Aquatic Center hosts their Bark 'n' Splash dog swim event from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, October 1. The entry fee is \$10 per dog – and as always, human companions are free! Attendees must provide written proof of a current animal license for their dog(s). Dogs are allowed to swim and frolic in the aquatic center's activity pool, which features a pooch-pleasing play structure and sloped beach-style entry into the water. For the water-shy, there's abundant lawn for romping and doggie socializing. (After the event, the pool is drained, sanitized, and inspected as a standard post-season procedure.) A variety of event sponsors and local pet-related businesses will be on hand to provide information and free samples. Call 916-461-6640 for more information about the event.



## WILD HOWL-O-WEEN

Calling all ghosts, goblins, and witches...come and enjoy our family-friendly Halloween event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, October 29 at the Folsom City Zoo Sanctuary. Take part in a variety of fun hands-on activities, visit your favorite zoo sanctuary animal, and—of course—get lots of goodies! Costumes are encouraged! Regular admission fees apply; purchase tickets online at [webtrac.folsom.ca.us](http://webtrac.folsom.ca.us) or at the gate. Call **916-461-6601** with questions.

## HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR

Take part in the not-too-scary family fun from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday, October 22 at the Steve Miklos Aquatic Center. Wear your favorite costume and enjoy hands-on activities and get plenty of treats. Admission is \$10 person. Call **916-461-6640** for more information.



National Fire Prevention Week is October 9 through 15. This year's theme, "Fire Won't Wait; Plan Your Escape" reinforces the critical importance of developing a home escape plan. Regularly practicing your home escape plan with all household members helps ensure that everyone knows what to do when the smoke alarm sounds and uses that time wisely.

The Folsom Fire Department offers important guidance:

- » Make sure your home escape plan meets the needs of all your family members, including those with sensory or physical disabilities.
- » Include your pets in the escape plan.

- » Smoke alarms should be installed inside every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of your home. Smoke alarms should be interconnected so that when one sounds, they all sound.
- » Know at least two ways out of every room, if possible. Make sure all doors and windows open easily.
- » Have an outside meeting place a safe distance from your home.
- » Practice your home fire drill at least twice a year with everyone in the household, including guests. Practice at least once during the day and at night.

Learn more at [www.folsom.ca.us/fire](http://www.folsom.ca.us/fire).



## PAVEMENT RESURFACING PROJECT

Work is underway on an annual street maintenance project on various arterial roadways throughout Folsom. The project consists of localized asphalt repairs, application of a slurry seal, and new roadway striping with buffered bike lanes. The slurry seal creates a new wearing surface and seals the asphalt to prevent the damaging effects of water intrusion into the pavement.

The following roads will receive the slurry treatment this year:

- » Iron Point Road between Folsom Boulevard and Ingersoll Way.
- » Iron Point Road between East Bidwell Street and McAdoo Drive.
- » Broadstone Parkway between East Bidwell Street and Iron Point Road.
- » Oak Avenue Parkway between American River Canyon Drive and Baldwin Dam Road.

Work will take place from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and will continue until late September. At least one single lane will remain open to traffic at all times.

For more information, visit [www.folsom.ca.us/PublicWorks](http://www.folsom.ca.us/PublicWorks), or call **916-461-6713**.

## BREAKFAST FOR DINNER RETURNS!

The Friends of the Folsom Zoo Sanctuary and the MORE Real Estate Group/Martell O'Neal Ryburn Experience are hosting a pancake breakfast—for dinner—from 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, October 15. The Barnyard Experience provides the unique setting for the event. Tickets include pancakes plus all the traditional breakfast fare. Adults (ages 21+) can purchase additional beverages onsite. The event also includes a silent auction. Stroll through the zoo sanctuary grounds to walk off your meal and enjoy the unique opportunity to visit the animals at night. Proceeds from the event and auction benefit the Friends, a nonprofit organization dedicated to enriching the lives of the Folsom Zoo Sanctuary animals. Find ticket information and more details at [www.folsompancakebreakfast.com](http://www.folsompancakebreakfast.com).



The Gallery at 48 Natoma hosts a free public reception from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, October 14 for the new exhibit featuring watercolors by Juan Pena, pastels by Marianne Woosley, and glass works by Barbara Grauke. The adjacent Community Gallery features youth and adult photography entries submitted to the annual Folsom Focus Photography Contest.

The reception includes live music by Peter Morgan and light refreshments. The professional art gallery is located in the 48 Natoma Senior and Art Center; the gallery's regular hours are from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, and from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday evenings. The art exhibits continue through January 12.

## FOLSOM PUTS FOOD WASTE IN ITS PLACE: GREEN BIN PROGRAM UPDATE

Folsom's organics recycling program is off to a great start thanks to residents and businesses who are leveraging their new green bins to recycle food and yard waste. The program is designed to help preserve Folsom's distinctive natural environment.

Now, organic material from Folsom homes and businesses, including food scraps, food-soiled paper, and lawn and leaf clippings, is transformed into compost for farms, gardens, and parks to use. This exciting program is part of a statewide effort to lower greenhouse gas emissions by reducing the amount of organic material sent to California landfills.

The city is launching the program one community at a time, and if you don't have green bin service yet, don't worry—it will be coming to you soon.

### WHAT GOES IN THE GREEN BIN?

- » Single family homes can now add bagged food scraps and food-soiled paper to their existing yard waste bins, now called the "green organics bin," for weekly pickup.
- » Make sure to bag your food scraps and food-soiled paper in clear plastic or compostable bags. These materials will be separated from yard waste and sent to a composting facility in Yolo County.

## FOLSOM RENAISSANCE FAIRE

This living history event transports guests back in time to a 16th century English village with hundreds of costumed entertainers, artisan crafts and wares, and a variety of tasty food and drink. Jousting tournaments take place both days of the Faire, featuring riders in full suits of armor riding on sturdy draft horses. The Faire takes place in Folsom City Lions Park from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. September 24 and 25. Find tickets and event information at [www.folsomfaire.com](http://www.folsomfaire.com).

- » Lawn and leaf clippings should be placed loose in your bin, as usual.

### HALLOWEEN TIPS

- » You can place pumpkins and jack-o'-lanterns in your Green Bin for composting. There's no need to bag them.
- » Please remove any candles or lights before tossing pumpkins into your bin.
- » Dispose of painted pumpkins in the trash.

### FREE COMPOST AND KITCHEN PAIL PICKUP

- » Folsom residents can spruce up home landscapes and gardens with free, locally-made compost and mulch. The items are available at two self-serve locations: behind City Hall at 50 Natoma Street and at Hinkle Creek Nature Trail near Fire Station 36.
- » The city will continue to host kitchen pail pickup events. Check the city website calendar for upcoming dates and locations.

If you have questions or feedback about Folsom's organics recycling program, email [recycle@folsom.ca.us](mailto:recycle@folsom.ca.us) or visit [www.folsom.ca.us/organics](http://www.folsom.ca.us/organics).



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Election Day is November 8. Make your voice heard! Choose how, when, and where you want to vote:

- » **By Mail:** Registered voters will be mailed an official ballot beginning October 10. If you do not receive your ballot or need a replacement ballot, call Sacramento Voter Registrations at **916-875-6155** or email **vbm@saccounty.net**. You may vote by returning your ballot by mail.
- » **Ballot Drop Box:** Completed ballots may also be placed in any of the secured Ballot Drop Box locations throughout Sacramento County beginning October 10. There will be a Ballot Drop Box inside Folsom City Hall, 50 Natoma Street, available to the public from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Other Ballot Drop Box locations can be found online at **elections.saccounty.net**.
- » **Vote Center:** All Vote Centers will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. four days prior to and including Election Day, and some of the Vote Centers will open up to 11 days prior to and including Election Day. You can visit any Vote Center in the county to drop off completed ballots or vote in person. Vote Center locations in Folsom can be found online at **elections.saccounty.net**.

In addition to the general election, Folsom voters will elect three City Councilmembers in the city's first by-district election. There are two key changes in by-district City Council elections:

1. Voters will only vote for one Councilmember, instead of all five.
  2. Councilmembers must live in the district they represent.
- Members of the City Council from Council Districts 1, 3, and 5 will be elected on a by-district basis.

For additional information about the November 2022 Election, voter registration, and a full listing of Ballot Drop Boxes and Vote Centers, call **1-800-762-8019** or visit **elections.saccounty.net**. Visit the City of Folsom website for information about the Folsom election.

### FOLSOM GLASS PUMPKIN PATCH

Folsom Parks & Recreation and 2BGlass Studio present this popular annual event from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. October 8 and 9 on the grounds of the Folsom Art Center, 48 Natoma Street. Spectacular outdoor displays will showcase thousands of hand-blown glass pumpkins, plus the very popular glass acorns and a variety of glass fruits and vegetables. These festive works of art are available in a variety of sizes and price points, providing the opportunity to purchase one-of-a-kind glass art created by brothers Aaron and Tate Bezdek, the owners of 2BGlass Studio, and more than a dozen talented glass artists from other regional studios.



New to the event this year are live glass blowing demonstrations where the artists will showcase the talents, skills, and steps involved to create their works of art. Proceeds from this event benefit Folsom Parks & Recreation's community arts education programs at the Folsom Art Center. Admission and parking are free. For more information, call **916-461-6601**.