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CITY OF LEMON GROVE NEWS

## A PLAN OF ACTION TO ADDRESSHOMELESSNESS

The Regional Task Force on Homelessness (RTFH), in partnership with the City of Lemon Grove, held a press conference on March 3, 2025, to announce the award of an \$8.4 million Encampment Resolution Funding (ERF) grant. This grant, which will be distributed over two years, is designed to address homelessness along the California State Route 94 corridor. By utilizing a "by-name" list, the funding will support rapid rehousing efforts for individuals currently experiencing homelessness in the area.



The grant will directly support the rehousing of 102 individuals who have been living unsheltered along the corridor. Approximately 85% of the grant will be allocated toward rental subsidies, intensive case management, landlord engagement, and housing retention services, all aimed at helping these individuals successfully transition into stable housing outcomes. Additionally, the funds will support essential outreach efforts, project management, and other supportive services to ensure long-term housing stability.

The 2024 Point In Time Count highlights that nearly 45% of individuals experiencing homelessness along the SR 94 corridor are chronically homeless and face significant barriers to accessing critical services such as healthcare, transportation, and housing. City Manager Lydia Romero expressed her enthusiasm for the collaborative effort, saying: "This is an exciting and unprecedented collaboration between RTFH, the City of Lemon Grove, and the State of California. I am optimistic and hopeful as we finally bring the much-needed and welcomed resources to our unhoused community members."

This grant represents a critical step forward in addressing homelessness in Lemon Grove and the region by providing the necessary resources to make a lasting impact on the lives of those in need.

For more information, visit www.rtfhsd.org.



This funding presents a unique opportunity to leverage our partnerships with local jurisdictions, allowing us to apply for critical resources that will directly benefit our communities.

-Tamera Kohler, CEO of RTFH



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# FIXING OUR STREETS!



The City of Lemon Grove is underway with the Street Rehabilitation Project. Construction will include street repair and rehab on 72 segments of streets. Crews will be performing a variety of tasks, including asphalt removal, installation of new asphalt, repairs to the asphalt base, construction of ADA-compliant ramps, and the removal and replacement of road striping. These activities may cause temporary lane closures or shifts in traffic patterns, so it is important to plan your routes in advance and allow for extra travel time. Please stay alert and follow all posted traffic control measures to ensure safety for both workers and motorists. This project is part of our ongoing effort to beautify city streets and improve the driving experience for residents and visitors alike.

#### For weekly updates, visit our website at https://buff.ly/ QWNEM2N



# WELCOME TO LEMON GROVE



emon Grove's dining scene has just been taken up a notch with the grand opening of El Cata Mariscos Sushi & Cortes!

A brand-new addition to our vibrant community, El Cata promises to be a go-to destination for food lovers craving a unique blend of fresh seafood, innovative sushi, and mouthwatering asada. With its modern ambiance, exceptional menu, and top-notch service, this restaurant is poised to quickly become a community favorite.

El Cata Mariscos Sushi & Cortes brings an impressive menu, featuring dishes like Baja Style Shrimp Tacos, Arrachera Steak, and El Cata Style Birria. If you're craving sushi, their rolls are as creative as they are tasty, featuring a mix of traditional and contemporary combinations making for an unforgettable culinary experience. El Cata Mariscos Sushi & Cortes is conveniently located at 8099 Broadway. Swing by today for a savory dining experience like no other.

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# YOUR FEEDBACK IS REQUESTED FOR THE UPCOMING TREGANZA FOUNTAIN REDESIGN



Join us for a community meeting to discuss and provide feedback on design concepts to reimagine the Treganza Park fountain with the goal of creating a public space that fosters a strong sense of community.

#### »REVIEW AND VOTE ON 4 PARK DESIGN CONCEPTS

### LOCATION: COMMUNITY CHURCH

3122 MAIN ST. Lemon grove, ca91945

DATE/TIMES: April 23, 5:00pm-6:30pm May 7, 5:00pm-6:30pm

## Be prepared **before** an emergency strikes.



E mergency communication and information are vitally important. First responders in San Diego County work tirelessly to ensure we have the best tools and resources to effectively communicate life-saving emergency information to the public.

Genasys PROTECT allows speedy and reliable communication of emergency information and first responder agencies the ability to provide disaster notifications, evacuation information, shelter locations, road closures and much more to the public in a timely manner.

Information from Genasys Protect can be viewed at the website (https://protect.genasys.com/) or by downloading the Genasys Protect App. Using the app, you can subscribe to specific "zones", such as areas you live, work, or frequently visit. Subscribing allows you to receive push notifications and view real time updates on status changes for any incident within San Diego County.

For more information about Genasys Protect, the app,

or additional preparedness resources, please visit www. AlertSD.org





## LEMON GROVE SHERIFF'S STATION FREE HOME SECURITY CONSULTATION

#### **HOW CAN YOU PREVENT A HOME BURGLARY FROM HAPPENING? REMOVE A THIEF'S TEMPTATION** Residential burglaries occur when a thief can identify locations that are easy targets due to lack of safeguards in place. San Diego County Sheriff's Crime Prevention Specialist can work with you on identifying areas of improvement in order to prevent possible home burglaries. During a Home Security consultation, a Sheriff's Crime Prevention Specialist will review your home entry points (i.e. windows and doors), lighting, landscaping, and security in order to make recommendations on how to properly secure your home. **HOW YOU IMPROVE YOUR HOME SECURITY** Install Security Secure Points of Maintain Landscaping Join a Neighborhood Increase Cameras or Lighting Entry to Avoid Possible Watch Program **Home Alarm** Areas to Hide CONTACT LEMON GROVE STATION'S CRIME PREVENTION SPECIALIST SHANAH CLEVENGER Shanah.Clevenger@sdsheriff.org

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**UPCOMING** CITY EVENTS

**EGGSTRAVAGANZA** APRIL 19, 2025

ARBOR DAY APRIL 26, 2025

**PAWS IN THE PARK** MAY 31, 2025

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### FREE DISPOSAL HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

MAY 3 JUNE 14 JULY 26 SEPTEMBER 20 OCTOBER 18 DECEMBER 6

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City Council meetings are the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month

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