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Exciting Upgrades Coming to Local Shopping Centers This Summer

Neighborhood residents can expect some exciting upgrades to two local shopping centers this summer. Construction is currently underway to install electric vehicle (EV) chargers at both the Raley's and former Big Lots parking lots, with openings anticipated by the end of August.

At the Raley's center, the chargers are being installed just west of the Jack in the Box. In addition to the EV upgrades, the west end of the Raley's parking lot will also be completely repaved—so residents may notice temporary construction activity in that area over the

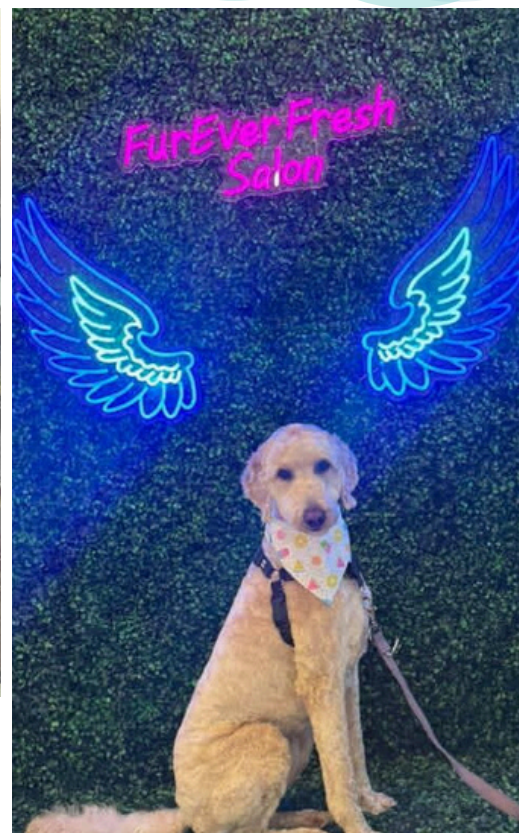
coming weeks.

At the former Big Lots lot, EV chargers are being added behind Dutch Bros, improving access to charging for customers and commuters alike.

We'll continue to share updates as we receive more information. In the meantime, plan ahead for limited parking in these areas while improvements are underway. We're thrilled to see our neighborhood taking steps toward sustainability and are excited for the positive impact these changes will have on our community.

Host a trunk or booth this Halloween!

Our Safe & Sweet Trunk or Treat planning is already underway! Interested in hosting a Trunk or Treat or booth on Halloween Day (Oct. 31)? We're looking for neighbors and local vendors to join the fun! We'd love to have you! Email us to get on our list! Let's make this a fun and safe Halloween for the whole community!



Local pet owners have a new go-to spot for pampering their pups: Furever Fresh Dog Grooming is now open near the Raley's shopping center at 8345 Folsom Blvd., Ste. 115, offering full-service grooming with a personal touch. Owned and operated by experienced groomer Bahar Hussaini, Furever Fresh specializes in stress-free grooming for dogs of all sizes and breeds. From classic cuts and de-shedding treatments to nail trims and specialty shampoos, Bahar's mission is to keep pets looking and feeling their best. "At FurEver Fresh Pet Salon, I pour my heart into making pets feel safe, loved, and pampered."

Furever Fresh Dog Grooming is now open daily from 8:30am to 6pm on weekdays and 10am to 6pm on weekends. Check them out online for service details!

www.fureverfreshsalon.com



Free Water Conservation House Calls Available in Sacramento

As summer temperatures rise, many Sacramento households are looking for ways to conserve water—and the City is offering a free, easy way to help. Sacramento's Water Conservation Team is providing complimentary house calls to residents who want to reduce their water use and lower their bills.

These visits are especially recommended for households using more than 500 gallons of water per day, which you can check on your monthly utility bill. During the visit, a trained water conservation specialist will walk through your home and yard to identify opportunities to save water. They'll help you program your sprinkler timer, inspect for leaks, and offer free water-saving tools like high-efficiency showerheads and faucet aerators.

In addition, residents can get pre-qualified for rebates on water-saving upgrades such as efficient irrigation systems or weather-based controllers.

Whether you're looking to cut back on outdoor watering or simply want to do your part during the dry season, this free service is a great place to start.

To schedule your water-wise house call, call 916-808-5605 or email the City's Water Conservation Team at SacWaterConservation@cityofsacramento.org.

California's CalKIDS: Automatic Savings for Your Child's Education

Did you know your child might already have money set aside for their future education—and you didn't have to lift a finger? The State of California is investing in our kids through a program called CalKIDS, which helps families start saving for college or career training through free 529 education savings accounts. Here's the details:

- Certain public school students in California (grades 1-12 as of Fall 2021) qualified based on their household income and a CalKIDS account was created automatically with an initial deposit.
- Babies born on or after July 1, 2022, and registered with the state, also automatically qualify for an initial deposit of \$25 to \$100, with potential bonus awards.



311 Sacramento is the city's non-emergency service line and app for reporting issues like potholes, graffiti, or missed trash pickups. Available 24/7, it connects residents to city services quickly and allows tracking of requests via phone or app. It's also where residents may schedule any free junk picks ups! Schedule yours before the season ends!



- There's nothing you need to do to enroll—just visit CalKIDS.org to look up your child's account and see what's waiting for them!

What can the money be used for?

Funds in a CalKIDS 529 account can be used for a wide range of education-related expenses—not just college! That includes trade schools, community colleges, books, supplies, fees, and other qualified costs associated with education or training after high school.

CalKIDS also offers matching incentives and scholarships—so the sooner you activate your child's account, the more opportunities you may unlock.

Let's spread the word—our community's future is worth it!

AUGUST COMMUNITY EVENTS

8/8	Oki Park Food Trucks
8/9	BAC Jamboree
8/20	NCG Meeting

Events may be submitted for inclusion in this newsletter at board@neighborsofcollegeglen.org.

Please submit your event by the 28th of the month for the next edition.

Campus Updates



FRESHMEN ORIENTATION
Rosemont High School!

A day of games, friendly competition, and team-building.
School Tours & Small groups led by Link Crew Leaders.

Students only:
8:30 am - 12:30 pm
Large Gym

Parents welcome:
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm
Quad - info & PE clothes

9-12 students & parents:
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Large Auditorium

Save the Date
Tuesday August 12

For more information contact:
Nicholas-santiago@scusd.edu OR piatttd@scusd.edu



CMP Capitol

**Friday,
August 8
2P-4P**

CLASSROOM MEET & GREET
Drop in anytime to meet your child's teaching team, bring supplies, and get to know your classroom community. Families who need volunteer paperwork or Live Scan may join us in the multipurpose room during this time.

**Friday,
August 8
4P-8P**

CMP FAMILY GATHERING AT OKI PARK
Join fellow CMP families at Oki Park for a casual get-together to build community connections. Stick around for a community-wide celebration with music and food trucks until 8pm!

**Saturday,
August 9
8:30A-12P**

PARENT WORKDAY
Come lend a hand as we prepare our campus for the first day of school! Whether you can spare 30 minutes or a few hours, all help is appreciated as we work together to beautify our shared space.

**Tuesday,
August 12
8:30A**

FIRST DAY OF CLASSES
The first day of school and parent conferences through Thursday are as well early release days!

CMP School proudly welcomes Principal Lakshmi Aradhya and Dean Tiffany Niitani to our community. As we begin a new academic year, their leadership brings fresh energy, vision, and a strong commitment to student success. Please join us in extending a warm CMP welcome to our new leaders.

Renovations for the school are still planned for Summer 2026. The project is expected to last five to six months and give the entire school some much needed upgrades.



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BANCROFT PTO IMPORTANT DATES

August 2025

THURS 14	Shaved Ice Social 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM Class Lists Will be Posted Outside Office Kona Ice Will be in Attendance
MON 18	First Day of School
MON 18	Fundraiser Dine Out @ Menchie's 12:00 PM - 10:00 PM 484 Howe Ave Sacramento, CA. 95825
WED 27	Back to School Night 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Kona Ice Will be in Attendance

For more details and updates about these events, please email us at:
hubertbancroftpto@gmail.com



**2025-26
ACADEMIC YEAR
AUGUST DATES**

(BE SURE TO MARK YOUR CALENDAR)

**AUG 12TH 1:00-2:00PM
HIGH SCHOOL ORIENTATION**

**AUG 13TH 5:00-6:30PM
MIDDLE SCHOOL ORIENTATION**

**AUG 18TH FIRST DAY
OF SCHOOL**

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Celebrating the Gators: A Season of Success and Sportsmanship

The Gators wrapped up their season in true “Ohana” fashion with their final swim meet, the Suburban Swim League Championships, on July 18-20. The team proudly represented College Glen, with many swimmers achieving personal records. Congratulations to the entire College Greens swim community for earning the 2025 Suburban Swim League Sportsmanship Award—their 8th time receiving this honor! This award reflects the spirit, dedication, and respect our swimmers and families bring to every meet. Way to go, CG families—you rock!

As the team celebrates this achievement, they also look ahead. The annual STAC committee meeting will take place on Wednesday, August 21 at 6:30pm, featuring introductions of current committee members and

nominees. Swim team families are encouraged to attend, but if you're short on time, you can stop by and cast your vote anytime between 5:30pm and 7:00pm. Each swim team family in good standing is allowed one ballot.

Also, a huge shoutout to our Meet of Champions team, who will be competing August 2-3 in Roseville. Good luck to our 15 incredible swimmers representing College Greens:

Braden, Bella, Asher, Sean, Chloe, Jetsen, Adelle, Leah, Leah, Mary, Elijah, Elsie, Felix, Avery, and Jade.

Let's cheer them on as they make us proud in the pool! Go CG Gators!

Last but not least a huge thank you from families to the entire team of amazing coaches!

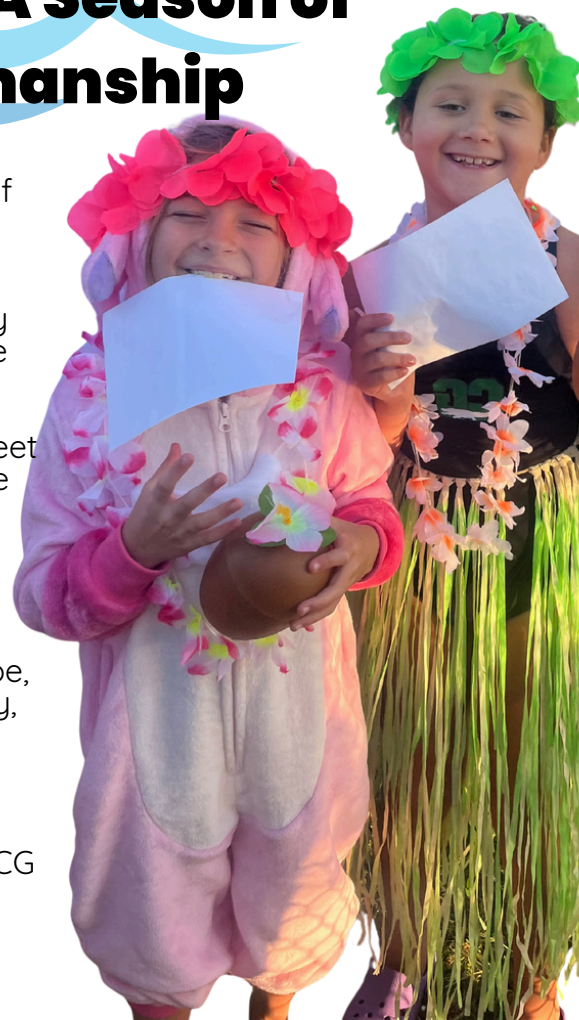


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NCG Annual Sponsors & Partners



Learn more about opportunities to become a sponsor or partner by emailing us at board@neighborsofcollegelgen.org.

About Neighbors of College-Glen

Neighbors of College-Glen (NCG) was formed in March of 2023, with the vision of being instrumental in creating a welcoming and inclusive neighborhood through cultural and multi-generational engagement and outreach.

NCG's mission is to preserve and improve the College-Glen neighborhoods in concrete ways through community engagement. Specifically, NCG aims to build community pride, advocate on behalf of its members for services and needs, hold events that build community, and ensure we cherish and protect our local parks.

Our Community Board Meetings are held **every third Wednesday of the month at 6pm** in person and virtually by request.

NCG is a 501(c)3 and is committed to transparency in all of its endeavors. Each article in this newsletter is written and edited through NCG Board Member collaboration, unless otherwise noted. We hope you enjoy it!

NCG Board

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For more information about how to serve on the NCG Board, visit us online or send us an email at board@neighborsofcollegelgen.org.

MEETING REMINDER
The next NCG Community Board Meeting is August 20 at 6pm, in person and virtually by request. Visit us online for our agenda and meeting details.

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