

City of Gonzales

City Manager Report

March 2026



Gonzales Police Department

The City of Gonzales is proud to welcome recent South Bay Regional Public Safety graduates to the team: Jasmin Garcia and Brian Lopez. Both are proud Salinas Valley residents who wish to dedicate their lives to keeping our valley safe.

Make sure you say hello and give them a warm welcome when you see them out in the field.



Gonzales Youth Council

The Gonzales Youth Council (GYC) has been busy. They are currently planning their South County Youth Summit in collaboration with the Youth Councils of Soledad and Greenfield. This year, it will take place on May 2nd here in Gonzales at the brand new Dennis and Janice Caprara Community Center. The theme is Beyond the Diploma. The summit will offer a variety of workshops as well as a resource fair for youth. To register or for more information scan the QR code below.

COMMUNITY PARTNERS NEEDED

SCYCS

South County Youth Summit
RESOURCE FAIR Information

Saturday, May 2 | Resource fair time: 11:45am-12:55 PM
Resource Fair Location: Fairview Middle School Gym

WE ARE EXCITED TO OFFER THIS UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS TO CONNECT WITH YOUTH FROM GONZALES, GREENFIELD, AND SOLEDAD. YOUR PRESENCE AT OUR RESOURCE FAIR (11:45 AM-12:55 PM) WILL HELP EMPOWER AND INSPIRE YOUTH WITH ACCESS TO VALUABLE SERVICES, PROGRAMS, AND OPPORTUNITIES.

REGISTER NOW: 



SCYCS

SOUTH COUNTY YOUTH SUMMIT
BEYOND THE DIPLOMA

2
MAY
9:30AM - 2:00PM



JOIN THE SOUTH COUNTY YOUTH COUNCILS FOR A HALF DAY OF SKILL-BUILDING AND GROWTH! WE'LL BE GIVING AWAY PRIZES AND OFFERING JOB RESOURCES DURING LUNCH TO HELP YOU PLAN YOUR NEXT STEPS. DON'T MISS OUT!

WORKSHOPS

- RESUME BUILDING
- SAFE DRIVING
- CULINARY SKILLS

- CLEAR TARDIES
- WIN PRIZES
- SATURDAY SCHOOL ALTERNATIVE

REGISTER NOW
Scan the QR code to register today!



The GYC also worked on fulfilling one of their action projects for the year which was to create a Free Food Pantry at the Community Garden. On March 28th, they hosted a Community Gardening Day and showcased the new Free Food Pantry.



Gonzales Fire Department Parcel Tax

The Gonzales Parcel Tax (Measure B) will be on the June 2nd Ballot. The proposed tax is needed to support the Fire Department's staffing and operations. With costs continuing to rise, the City needs to look at other ways to fund this essential service. Without new revenue coming in, the City will find it hard to maintain this service locally, resulting in delayed response times and putting us all at risk. Funding generated through Measure B would strictly go to the Fire Department and there would be local oversight to ensure that stays the case. The proposed tax is \$349 per single-family unit and \$262 per multi-family unit annually. For more information on the tax, visit the City's website at gonzalesca.gov.

Save the Date

|  APRIL COMMUNITY CALENDAR | |
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| Be sure to mark your calendars and participate in a range of activities and gatherings suitable for all! Please refer to the information below for events & reminders. For questions please call 831-675-5000. | |
|  | Kid Power After School Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KP After School Program: We are still accepting registrations for our After School Program, last day for regular registration will be on, Sunday, April 12, 2026 Cost: \$180/\$225 nonresident |
|  | Senior Programming <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair Yoga: Tuesday's at 9:00AM @ the Taylor Farms Health & Wellness Center Cost: FREE • Group Peer Counseling: Hosted by Alliance on Aging, Wednesday, April 1 @ 2PM-3PM @ The Gonzales Police Department Conference Room. Cost: FREE • Wreath making: Thursday, April 9th from 10AM-12PM @ the Gonzales Police Department Cost: FREE |
|  | Events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fire Department Open House: Join us on Saturday, April 11th @ 11AM-3PM @ 325 Center St. for our open house! • Cooking Demo: Hosted by The Live Well Project- Wednesday, April 8 @ 5:00PM-6:00PM @ Taylor Farms Family Health & Wellness Center. Cost: FREE |
|  | City Sports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mini T-Ball Ages 2 1/2 - 4 - Spring 2026: Last day for regular registration is Monday, April 6th Cost: \$60 / \$75 Non Resident |
|  | Community Center Programming <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boys & Girls Club: Mondays & Wednesdays: 2-6PM & Thursdays: 1-6PM Cost: FREE • Wings of Knowledge STEAM Services: Tuesdays 2-6PM Cost: FREE • City Drop in Services for Teens: Fridays: 3-6PM Cost: FREE |
|  | Food Distributions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food Bank for Monterey County: Every 3rd Wednesday from 9:30AM to 10:30AM at St. Theodore's Church. • Gonzales Community Pantry: 9AM every 3rd and 4th Friday of each month at the Mission Annex on 4th & Day Streets. |
|  | City Council Meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday, April 6, 2026 @6PM and Monday, April 20, 2026 @ 6PM in the Council Chambers. |
|  | Utility Due Date <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April Utility Bill is due on Tuesday, April 28. |