



**City Manager Report
to
The Mayor and City Council**

May 18, 2022

New Additions to City Staff



Daniel Hernandez
Director of Public Works



Nathan Freeman
**Director of Community and
Economic Development**

**Director Hernandez most recently served as
Public Works Director for Cites of Commerce and Huntington Park**

**Director Freeman most recently served as Economic Development,
Redevelopment, and Real Property Services Manager for the City of Riverside**

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Marim Fam
Deputy Director of Finance



Amanda Hernandez
**Economic Development
Manager**

Announcements soon on:

Deputy Director - Housing and Homelessness
Deputy Planning Director
Senior Management Analyst, City Manager's Office

Thank You Alex Qishta!



For Your Service as Interim Public Works Director

San Bernardino goes to Sacramento

Council Member Alexander and Senior Management Analyst Cory Hodges attended the California League of Cities event last week in Sacramento.

While in Sacramento, Alexander and Hodges met with Assembly Majority Leader Eloise Gomez Reyes, Senator Connie Leyva, and Senator Rosilicie Ochoa Bogh (pictured) to discuss funding and legislative priorities.



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The crews did an
amazing job!





Police Seize Illegal Drugs



The SBPD Narcotics Unit recovered over 8 pounds of Fentanyl, **equivalent to 2 million lethal doses for a normal human being** with a street value of \$80,000. Additionally, they recovered 30 pounds of Methamphetamine with an estimated street value of over \$90,000.



Police Respond to Illegal Street Takeovers

ARRESTED

**FOR VANDALISM, ARSON &
POSSESSION OF DESTRUCTIVE DEVICES**

EDGAR PEÑA

31 Years Old

A mugshot of a man with short dark hair and a goatee, looking directly at the camera with a neutral expression.

The San Bernardino Police Department is taking a zero-tolerance approach to street takeovers.

On May 11, SBPD officers arrested Edgar Pena for his involvement in an April street takeover at 5th and Mt. Vernon. He was recorded using a device to light the asphalt on fire. Pena was booked for multiple felonies including vandalism, arson, and possession of a destructive device.

The investigation is on-going, and more arrests are anticipated.

Water Department

Water Department Receives \$8.5 Million Low Interest Loan for Seismic Improvements

The Water Department was awarded an \$8.5 million low-interest Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan for seismic upgrades of four water storage reservoirs. The reservoirs will be retrofitted to meet the latest building standards and will better withstand future seismic events.



Water Receives Funding to Assist Qualifying Residents' Sewer Bill

In January, The CA State Water Resources Control Board, provided \$1.07 million in funding to the Water Department to assist 3,048 qualifying customers with delinquent WATER bills.

This month, the Water Department received \$517,000 to assist 1,618 qualifying customers with delinquent SEWER bills. Qualifying customers will see a credit on an upcoming bill and will be notified of the assistance via mail.

News and Notes

Library Summer Reading Program Begins June 6

The annual Summer Reading Program (SRP) begins June 6 and runs through August 6. The theme is "Read Beyond the Beaten Path," which encourages skill development and exploration, both in books and outdoors. SRP is open to all ages, from kids to seniors. Sign-up at sbpl.beanstack.org to share book reviews and earn prizes and entries toward a grand prize raffle.



\$25 Pet Adoptions This Weekend Thanks to Bounty Paper Towels



In recognition of National Adoption Weekend, Bounty Paper Towels in partnership with the Best Friends Network is sponsoring \$25 pet adoptions from May 20-22. This is cat season, so the Shelter has many playful cats and kittens to choose from, as well as dogs and puppies.

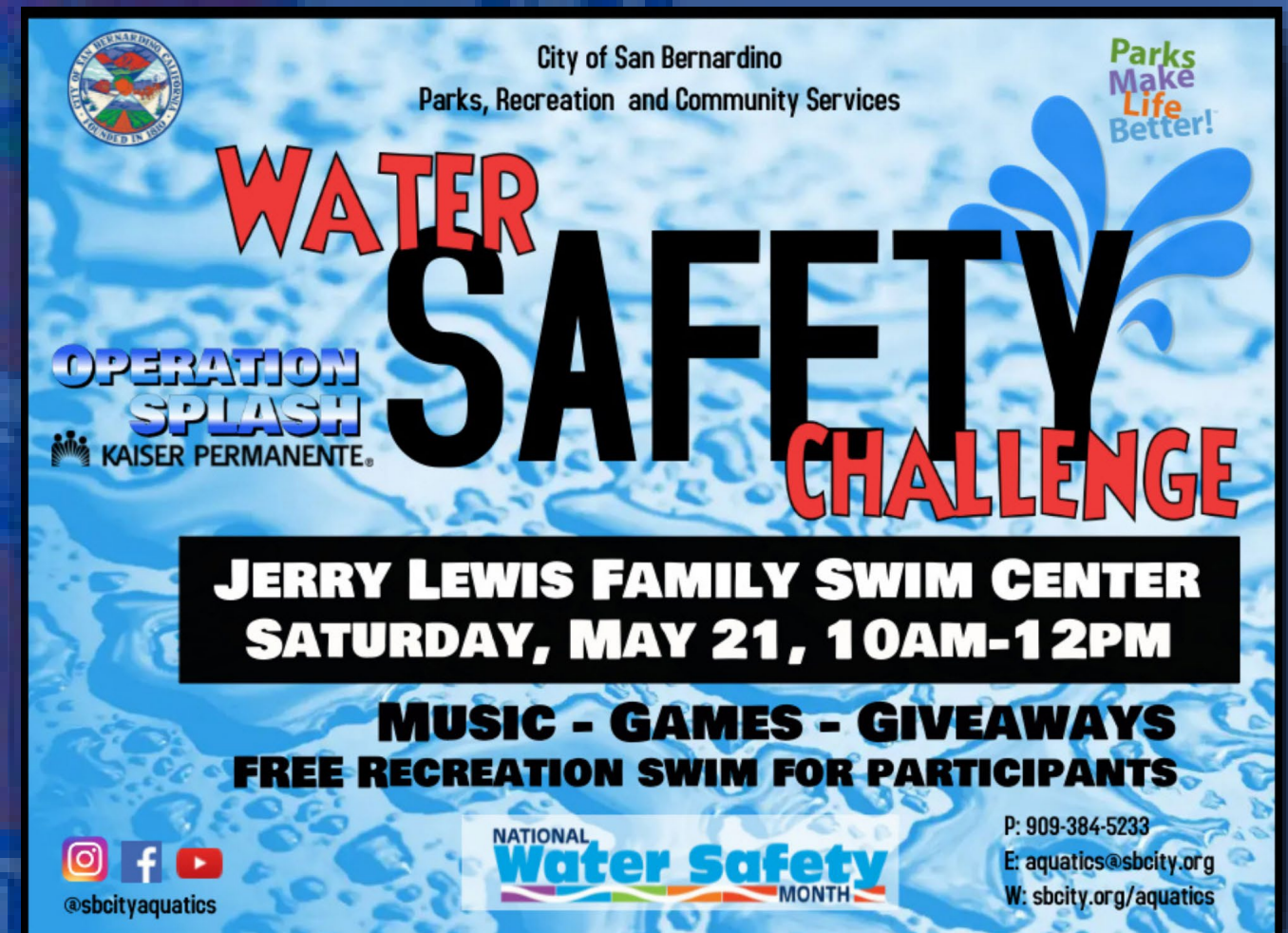
Parks, Recreation and Community Services

The Water Safety Challenge is the Highlight of National Water Safety Month in San Bernardino

In the past six years, 44 San Bernardino residents died in drowning accidents.

This Saturday from 10:00 am until noon, bring your entire family to the Water Safety Challenge at the Jerry Lewis Family Swim Center to learn valuable Water Safety Skills.

This fun event will include demonstrations, informational booths, interactive games, and free recreational swim for attendees.



The poster features a blue water splash background. At the top left is the City of San Bernardino seal. To its right is the text 'City of San Bernardino Parks, Recreation and Community Services'. Further right is the slogan 'Parks Make Life Better!' with a blue splash graphic. The main title 'WATER SAFETY CHALLENGE' is prominently displayed in large, bold letters, with 'WATER' in red, 'SAFETY' in black, and 'CHALLENGE' in red. Below this, 'OPERATION SPLASH' is written in blue, with 'KAISER PERMANENTE' and a logo below it. A black box contains the event details: 'JERRY LEWIS FAMILY SWIM CENTER SATURDAY, MAY 21, 10AM-12PM'. Below that, it lists 'MUSIC - GAMES - GIVEAWAYS' and 'FREE RECREATION SWIM FOR PARTICIPANTS'. At the bottom left are social media icons for Instagram, Facebook, and YouTube, with the handle '@sbcityaquatics'. At the bottom center is the 'NATIONAL Water Safety MONTH' logo. At the bottom right are contact details: 'P: 909-384-5233', 'E: aquatics@sbcity.org', and 'W: sbcity.org/aquatics'.

City of San Bernardino
Parks, Recreation and Community Services

Parks Make Life Better!

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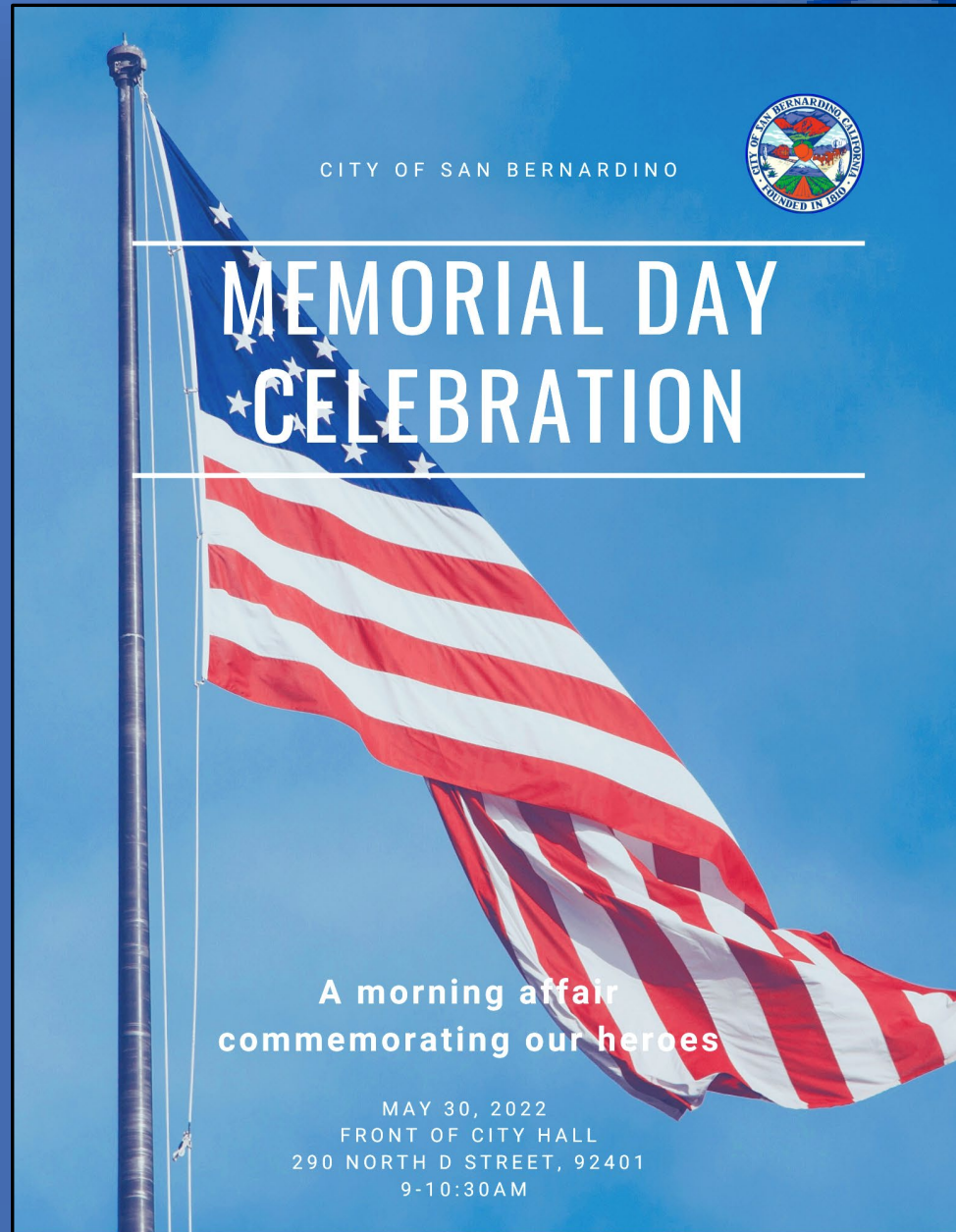
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The City of San Bernardino Honors Fallen Heroes



**Memorial Day Celebration
on Monday, May 30 at City Hall
9:00 am**

The Memorial Day Celebration will honor and remember the brave men and women who have paid the ultimate price in service to our country.

The program will include distinguished speakers, invocation, presentation of the flag ceremony and carnation dedication.