



City Manager Report to The Mayor and City Council

January 17, 2024



2023 Year in Review



2023 SBPD Review

Number of Homicides	Down 50%
Overall Violent Crimes	Down 5%
Response Time	Reduced by 46%
Calls for Service	Over 133,500
Number of Firearms Recovered	Over 1,200
Pounds of Illegal Narcotics Seized	Over 5,000 lbs.

Over 450 Community Events Attended



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2023 Animal Services Review

- 3,539 dogs and 1,019 cats adopted, returned to their families, or sent to rescue organizations. (Dog intake up 21% and Cat intake up 50%. Dog save rate just under 85%)
- Field Officers completed 9,858 activities in the City in 2023, including responding to over 3,000 reports of stray animals and 2,900 investigations.
- Approximately 600 pets sent to foster homes in 2023 instead of being held at the Shelter.
- 40 new volunteers passed their background and initial training.
- Launched a monthly pet food pantry at the Shelter to support pet owners struggling to feed their pet.





City Launching Survey as Part of Broadband Master Plan

Starting next week, residents and businesses will be asked to participate in a survey about their current broadband service. There will be online and paper surveys in English and Spanish.

Responses will be reflected in the City's Broadband Master Plan, which will help identify future broadband needs across the City and help guide investment decisions.

City News



Homeless Point in Time Count Set for Jan. 25

The City's annual Homeless Point in Time Count is set for Thursday, January 25 from 5:15 until 10:30 am at the National Orange Show. Volunteers can still sign up through the City's website, but must participate in a one-hour training in advance.

The Point in Time Count is conducted across the nation and is used to determine funding allotments for housing programs and services in local communities.

Villasenor Library to Re-open on January 22

After being closed for almost one year for repairs and remodeling, the Paul Villasenor Branch Library is reopening to the public on Monday, January 22.

Upgraded restrooms and a remodeled Community Room with a capacity of 75 guests are among the improvements.



Comings and Goings



Merrill Named Public Works Director

Lynn Merrill, San Bernardino's Interim Public Works Director has been appointed to fill the permanent position, effective February 5.

Merrill brings with him over thirty years of public works and solid waste experience in the public and private sector, including ten years with the City of San Bernardino in the 1990's and 2000's.



Lanier's Time at City Coming to an End

Due to Cal-Pers rules, Interim Community and Economic Director Mary Lanier will be leaving the City in the coming weeks. During her tenure, Mary has been an integral part of the City leadership team. She will be missed.

On a related note, interviews are currently being conducted for the new Community Development Director.

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The City of San Bernardino gained one resident on Christmas Day.

Congratulations to Mayor Tran and husband Kong on the addition to their family!