

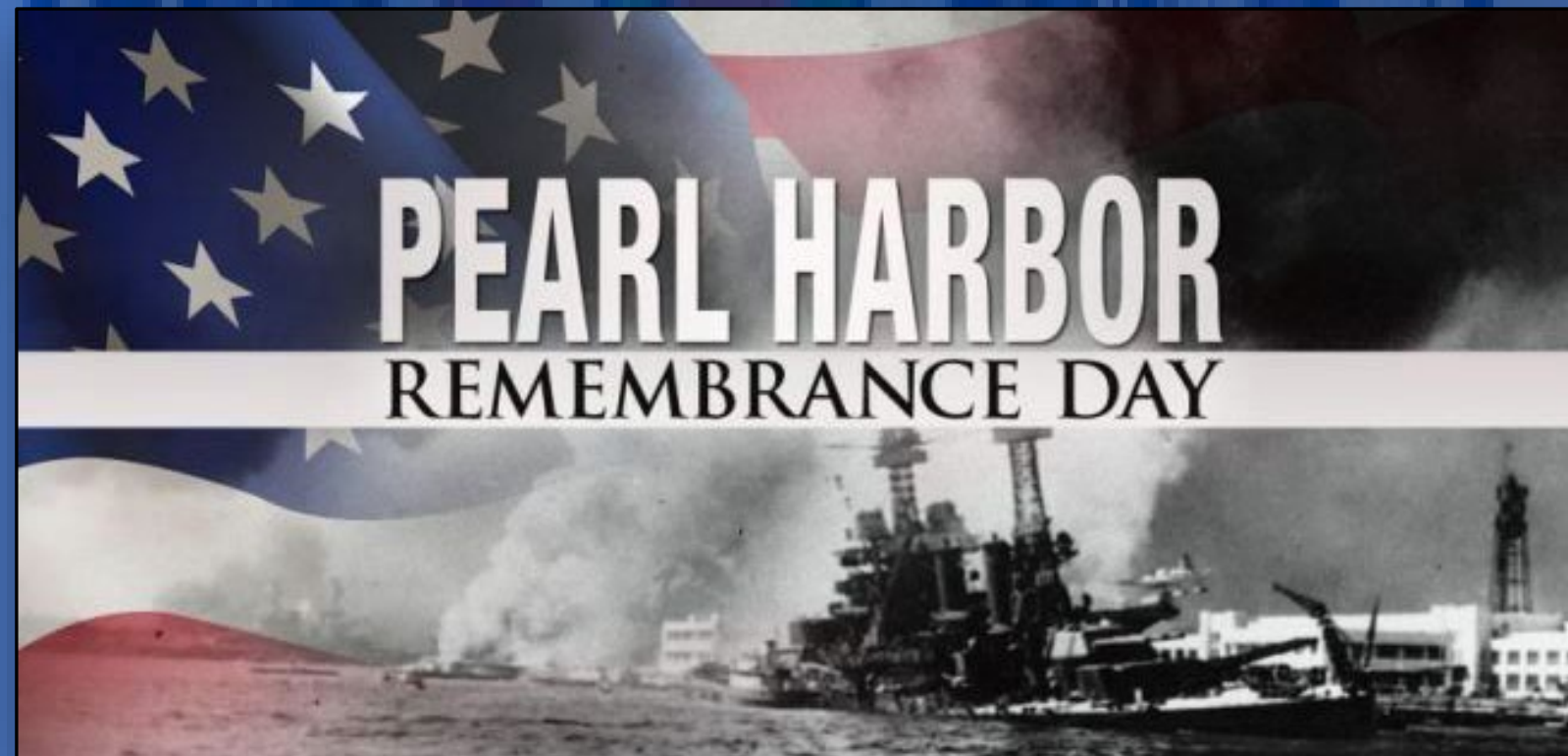


**City Manager Report
to
The Mayor and City Council**

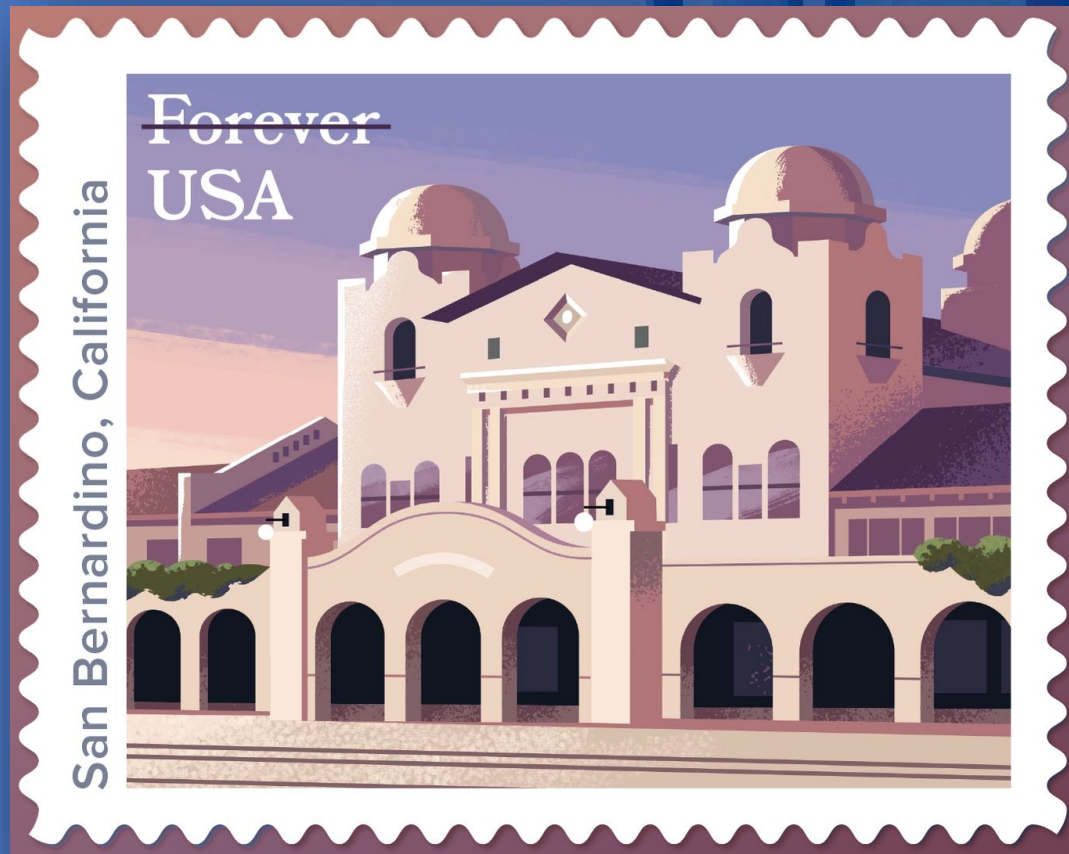
December 7, 2022

National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

December 7th marks the 81st anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor, Hawaii in 1941. 19 U.S. warships and 300 aircraft were destroyed or damaged. Over 2,400 American Servicemen died that day. Almost half of the dead were crewmen from the USS Arizona.



San Bernardino's Santa Fe Depot to be Featured on U.S. Stamp



The U.S. Postal Service announced that the San Bernardino Depot will be one of five U.S. Railroad Stations of architectural significance to be recognized with a stamp issue in 2023.

The other stations are Tamaqua Station in Pennsylvania, Point of Rocks Station in Maryland, Main Street Station in Richmond, VA, and Union Terminal in Cincinnati, OH.

A release date has not been announced yet.

City Receives Grant for Broadband Planning

The City has been awarded a \$425,256 grant by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to help plan for a 21st century broadband network throughout the city.

“Smart San Bernardino” will allow the City to develop a broadband needs assessment, community engagement, and a strategic plan to provide high speed broadband to the entire city.

A large part of the City, including downtown, the airport, and northwest portion currently lacking consistent broadband download and upload speeds.



Miracle on Court Street



There was Santa, skating, singing, snow, and tons of smiles at the Court Street Square on December 1st! A huge crowd kicked off the holiday season at the annual tree lighting ceremony. Activities at Court Street continue nightly through December 20. Check out the City's website or social media for information on other events at the libraries, parks, senior centers, and for this week's Ho Ho Parade.

Thanksgiving at the Animal Shelter



On Thanksgiving, staff and volunteers put together a feast for the dogs at the Animal Shelter. Each dog received a special helping of ground turkey, vegetables, rice and a pumpkin pupcake!

Staff from Animal Services gathered the donations and prepared the food with the help of our wonderful volunteers. The dogs enjoyed the special treat!

While our shelter dogs enjoyed the food, they would love to find a forever home for the Holidays. Dog adoptions are free right now and the shelter is full.

Demolition and Clearing of the Pep Boys Site

Crews recently demolished and cleared the former downtown Pep Boys location on E Street that had been significantly damaged in a fire.

The demolition removes an unsightly and dangerous building and clears the way for future economic development.



Police News

Two Large Drug Busts by SBPD

During two separate traffic stops last week, SBPD narcotics officers were able to seize 40 pounds of methamphetamine, 14,000 fentanyl pills, 2 additional kilograms of fentanyl, and 1.1 pounds of suspected cocaine. Two individuals were arrested on felony drug charges.



Police Explorers Join with DRNAG for Cleanup

SBPD Explorers teamed up with the Del Rosa Neighborhood Action Group (DRNAG) to make our city cleaner. The team focused their efforts in the area of 40th Street and David Way.

Council News

Alexander Named to Key League of Cities Committee

Council Member Alexander was appointed to serve a one-year term on the Housing, Community, and Economic Development Policy Committee. He was appointed by the African American Caucus president. He joins Council Member Calvin, who in October was named as a Presidential Appointment to the Community Service Policy Committee.



Calvin and Alexander Complete SCAG Housing Training

The 10-month Housing Policy Leadership Academy explores policy solutions to increase the supply and availability of affordable housing.

Program focus includes methods to: produce housing for all, preserve vulnerable housing, promote equity and inclusion, protect tenants and small landlords, and prevent displacement.