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# Youth Programs, Activities

Youth – from toddlers to teens – make up an important part of our community. Their success today and in the future is essential to maintaining the quality of life we enjoy here in Monterey. The City strives to find ways to encourage youth to participate in and feel a part of the community. From fun, entertaining activities to volunteer opportunities and educational experiences, many programs and events are offered at City sites especially for youth. See what's happening at the Library, Community Centers, the Sports Center and on the Volunteer front. Find out more about the resources available and the opportunities provided that encourage young people to make a difference in the community.

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# What Kids Do in the City At the Library

## Discover New Hobbies During TV-Turnoff Week

Turn off your TV April 24-30 and have an adventure. TV-Turnoff Week encourages families to find additional ways to have fun and learn – one way is to visit the Monterey Public Library or Bookmobile.

Not only does the Library have books for reading fun, but also books and videos with suggestions and directions for hobbies, games and crafts.

During TV-Turnoff Week, the Library will have a Hobby Day for young people to showcase their interests and get ideas from others. There will be other special events as well.

Visit the Library to pick up your TV-Turnoff packet, complete with caution tape to drape across the TV! Challenge your family to watch less TV and have fun.

For more info, call the Youth Services Librarian at 646-3934 or go to <a href="www.monterey.org/library">www.monterey.org/library</a>

## Get Quick Internet Answers

Discover great search engines, logon to helpful homework centers, find special Web sites to assist with your history and science projects.

Local youth can find these great tools on the Library's Web pages designed especially for them. The Library's Kids' Page offers dozens of links that provide quick info on how to use the Internet and guidelines for citing Internet sources. There are fun and entertaining sites too.

These resources provide – via the Web – the quickest and best answers to homework questions and other needs because they have been previewed and selected by children's librarians. The Library's Web site, including the Kids' Page, is "virtually" open 24 hours a day.

Check out the Library's Web site online at home or at the Library and click on Kids' Page <a href="https://www.monterey.org/library">www.monterey.org/library</a>

For more info, call 646.3934 or email <a href="mailto:ysdesk@ci.monterey.ca.us">ysdesk@ci.monterey.ca.us</a>

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# Teens Read Their Award-Winning Poetry

Come see and hear local teens present their very own award-winning poetry at the Library this April.

The Library, in cooperation with the Carl Cherry Center for the Arts, will host the annual Monterey County-wide High School Poetry Awards presentation on Saturday, April 8, at 2 p.m. Teens will read their poems and will be recognized for outstanding literary achievements. The free event will be held in the Library Community Room at 625 Pacific Street.

Call 646.3949 for more info or email <a href="http://mccombs@ci.monterey.ca.us/">http://mccombs@ci.monterey.ca.us/</a>

# At Community Centers

Kids and teens have many choices at the City.

There are dances and music, gardening and pottery. Martial arts, gymnastics and cooking. Or you can swim, take fitness classes or play sports like wrestling, football and basketball. City sites in the community house activities and programs for learning and fun.

Holiday programs and camps for toddlers and school-age youth take place at the Community Centers. The Monterey Sports Center offers both a sports camp and cheerleading camp in the spring.

The Sports Center also features a lifeguard training program in March and a water safety instructor course in April where young people can develop new skills and abilities that could lead to exciting employment opportunities.

For info regarding specific classes and events, see the current issue (summer, fall or winter/spring) of the Recreation and Community Services Department <u>Activities Guide</u> or call 646.3866.

Guides are available at the Recreation and Community Services Department office, 546 Dutra Street, or at the Monterey Youth Center; the Scholze Park Center; Archer Park Center; Hilltop Park Center; Casanova Oak Knoll Park Center; and the Monterey Public Library. Look for the Summer Activities Guide, coming May 4.

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# Community of Caring Moves Ahead

Helping make our neighborhoods and schools healthy, safe and family-friendly continues to be the mission of Community of Caring's community-wide collaborative effort.

Everyone is invited to embrace, articulate and reinforce five core values - Caring, Respect,

Trust, Responsibility and Family – in an effort to encourage people to be responsible and caring members of the community.

Through training for parents, educators, students and other community leaders, Community of Caring Monterey Peninsula addresses the destructive attitudes/behaviors that can lead to early sexual involvement, teen pregnancy, substance abuse, delinquent behavior and/or dropping out of school.

You can help! Volunteer to serve on one of the action committees or on the Coordinating Council. Or participate in one of the regular training sessions and learn more. Other ways to become involved include:

- Take part in Care and Share Day on April 15
- Acknowledge and celebrate the good things happening in our community write a Letter to the Editor, call someone and thank them or otherwise let people know how you feel!
- Live the values of caring, respect, trust, responsibility and family to serve as a role model.
- Integrate the program into your curriculum, event or organization.
- Encourage your house of worship/fellowship to become involved.
- Help facilitate a Community of Caring youth forum.
- Display a sign in your home, school or business.
- Include info about Community of Caring in your organization's newsletter.
- Make a tax-deductible contribution.

Learn more about Community of Caring Monterey Peninsula, and the national Community of Caring program, by visiting <a href="http://communityofcaringmp.org">http://communityofcaringmp.org</a>

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# Teen Police Explorers Vital Part of Team

Teen Police Explorers in the City get first-hand experience at what it's like to be a police officer in Monterey while making a valuable contribution to the community.

Since Monterey Police Explorer Post #257 was established in 1997, the program has been a success. Today uniformed Explorers, ranging from 14 to 19 years of age, assist with traffic and crowd control, special events (e.g. taking fingerprints of children, pictured) and disaster situations.

Explorers have regular training meetings twice a month and learn about law enforcement related topics, such as radio procedures, traffic control and basic patrol procedures. Recently, Explorers have been training with other local police agencies. This opportunity reinforces not only the meaning of "team work" within the City but also shows Explorers the type of

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cooperation the Police Department has with outside agencies and cities.

For more info on becoming a Monterey Police Explorer or donating funds to our program, call Officer Ken Shen at 646.3808 or email <a href="mailto:shen@ci.monterey.ca.us">shen@ci.monterey.ca.us</a>

# Program Puts Kids Back on Track

Help is just a referral away for at-risk youth in our community.

More than 150 young people and their families already have received assistance through the City's successful Youth Diversion Program.

"I can't count the times a young person has said, 'It's weird, but I'm glad I got arrested,'" says Youth Diversion Coordinator Kathy Miller, a long-time counselor. "Many of the youth have really taken advantage of the opportunities the program offers.

"We continue to find jobs for our kids, counsel families in crisis, listen when there just isn't anyone else and find simple solutions to problems that just seem too big to a child."

The two-year-old program, coordinated by the Monterey Police Department, continues to fulfill its goal of preventing youth from entering and re-entering the juvenile justice system.

Youth who have committed misdemeanors or infractions or have exhibited behavior associated with criminal activity are eligible for referral to the program. Once referred, youth sign a contract to be part of the diversion program where they receive counseling for up to one year.

For more info, call the Youth Diversion Program at 646.5696 or email miller@ci.monterey.ca.us

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# Budget Approval Process Underway Citizens Asked to Give Input, Help Shape Priorities

The annual budget process is underway, and your opinions play a vital role in establishing the City's financial plan. Let us know what you think!

"It's essential that the budget reflect both the community priorities and operational needs of the City," says City Manager Fred Meurer. "We need to hear from citizens and understand their interests and issues to develop the best budget and work plans possible."

Voice your opinion at the Community Connection forum scheduled for Thursday, March 16, from 7 to 9 p.m. at Hilltop Park Center, 871 Jessie Street. Or participate in the other public meetings and/or hearings scheduled throughout the budget development process

If you are unable to attend, you can call, fax or email us with your suggestions and ideas. For more budget info call 646-3940,or visit <a href="https://www.monterey.org/budget">www.monterey.org/budget</a>

- March 16, 7 p.m., public forum, Hilltop Park Center
- March 20. Life Support/Social Service Grant Applications Due to Recreation
- March 31, Cultural Arts Grant Applications Due to Museum
- April 27, 7 p.m., NIP Committee Project Selection, Council Chamber
- May 16, 7 p.m., City Council Reviews NIP Projects, Council Chamber
- June 6, 4 p.m., City Council Budget Study Session, Council Chamber
- June 20, 7 p.m., City Council Public Hearing, Council Chamber

Please note dates are subject to change. Check our <u>Web site</u> for current meeting dates and times or call the City Clerk's office at 646.3935.

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# Fire Department Takes Services to Bay

Water-side emergency medical aid and fire suppression services are available once again thanks to the City's new inflatable fireboat.

"It's great that we have another degree of security for emergencies," says John Myette, who is one of up to 20 residents authorized to live aboard their boats in the outer harbor. "I like the fact that a quick response is available for fire and medical incidents."

The compact 175 horsepower Zodiac Hurricane Inflatable Fireboat restores a service to our harbor that has not been available to this extent for 25 years.

The boat can spray 400 gallons per minute of seawater, providing extra protection for our wharves and other water-side resources.

For example recently in Santa Barbara, several similar fireboats helped minimize damage to Stearns Wharf after a disastrous restaurant fire.

Monterey firefighters have trained on the boat for the past year and are well prepared to serve visitors, residents and business owners. Look for firefighters as they conduct their ongoing training around our harbor.

For more info email the Fire Department Shoreline Operations Project at or call 646.3900.

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# NERT Containers Key During Emergency

Designed to make neighborhoods more self-sufficient in times of emergency or disaster, six large storage containers have been placed throughout the City.

As part of the City's Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT) program, the containers were provided to local neighborhood associations as a secure place to store tools, equipment and supplies needed for disaster recovery operations. The containers are in the following areas: Casanova Oak Knoll, Deerflats, Hilltop Park, Skyline Forest, Dela Vina/Montecito and the cemetery.

NERT members are an important component of the City's ability to recover after a disaster. Call the Monterey Fire Department at 646.3900 (email <a href="mailto:roth@ci.monterey.ca.us">roth@ci.monterey.ca.us</a>) for more info on how to join NERT or to register for classes today.

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# Residents Take Opportunity to Rate Public Works

Door-hanger flyers are helping the City's Public Works Department actively seek customer feedback.

Here's how it works:

- 1) door-hanger flyers are distributed by City crews after the completion of a job to all residents in the surrounding area;
- 2) the flyer includes a tear-off card encouraging residents/business owners to write comments or suggestions; and
- 3) once the feedback card has been received, the resident will receive an answer regarding any concern or issue, either by phone or in writing.

Since the department started the program last October, Public Works has received more than 30 cards with positive comments about the professionalism and responsiveness of our crews. Keep the cards coming – we need to hear from you.

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# You and Your Dog

While enjoying the outdoors with your dog, you can do your part to keep Monterey safe and clean for all. Know and follow the City's dog safety laws:

- 1. Dogs are prohibited in all parks with the exception of El Estero, Veteran's Memorial, along the Coastal Trail and on beaches east of Wharf II.
- 2. When in public areas, all dogs must be on a leash that cannot exceed six feet in length.
- 3. Dog owners are required to pick up their dogs' droppings.

Fines range up to \$100.

For more info call our Animal Control Officer at 646.3820 or email cristoba@ci.monterey.ca.us

# City Intergenerational Programs Help Bridge Gap

Activities that successfully "bridge the generation gap" have lasting effects on participants both young and old. They can create a sense of understanding and appreciation and lead to an exchange of ideas, outlooks and energy as well as good old-fashioned fun.

Community Helper Week at the City's four preschool sites introduces students to adults from diverse walks of life, allowing adults to share what they do in this "great big world." Both preschool and school-age programs benefit from adult volunteers who provide some extra attention.

One example of the effects of intergenerational programming can be seen at the Visiting Nurse Association Adult Day Care program at Hilltop Park Center. Adult Care participants often host young visitors from Hilltop's preschool and afterschool programs. Youth sing holiday songs, share hand-made cards and crafts and invariably bring smiles and laughter. On a recent occasion, school-age children helped the seniors plant potted seedlings. It's fun for everyone.

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# Program Guidelines Help You Protect Your Valuable Assets

Ever hear the old saying, "They don't build them like they used to"? Well, from a structural standpoint, it's probably good they don't!

Older buildings were not built to withstand the destructive forces of an earthquake. Today's modern building codes help make homes stronger and safer than ever. And that doesn't just apply to earthquake safety.

Problems such as electrical fires, carbon monoxide poisoning and foundation settlement can all be caused by faulty construction.

What can you do? Get a permit, have your project inspected and help make sure your home is "up-to-Code."

To learn more about the people and programs that keep our buildings safe, join us for National Building Safety Week from April 3-7.

During this week, you can ride along with City building inspectors to get a first-hand look at what goes into making homes and businesses safer places.

Or stop by our Building Safety and Inspection office Mon.-Fri. between 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Colton Hall to ask questions or pick up information on home remodeling, seismic retrofitting and selecting a contractor.

Call 646.3890 by March 31 to schedule your ride-along.

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## New Park Big Attraction for Skateboarders, In-line Skaters

Skateboarders and in-line skaters, come on down! The City's new Skate Park is now open. The Monterey Skate Park features fun and exciting elements that will challenge skateboarders and in-line skaters of all skills and abilities.

More than 40 local skaters and youth participated in the design, development and construction process.

Located next to Lake El Estero behind Sollecito Ballpark, the park is open daily from 9 a.m. until dusk. Come and have fun while following these rules:

- 1. Skaters under 8 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.
- 2. All skaters are required to wear safety gear, including a helmet, knee and elbow pads and wrist/hand guards.

The park was built with funds from the City's Neighborhood Improvement Program (NIP), which directs tourist-generated tax dollars directly into the City's residential neighborhoods. A grand opening celebration, featuring demonstrations by professional skaters along with other special events, is scheduled for this April.

For info on the Skate Park, call the Recreation and Community Services Department at

646.3866 or email graham@ci.monterey.ca.us

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# For History Buffs Only

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# Get the Scoop on Historic Preservation

The 25th annual California Preservation Foundation Conference on historic preservation is coming to Monterey April 13-16.

For the first time, the historic building tours and concluding gala celebration are open to local residents without Conference registration. Individuals can also register and attend the workshops to learn how to preserve historic resources in the community.

Call the City's Plans & Public Works Department at 646.3885 to get info on tours and registration.

Or volunteer to help with registration or other conference tasks and you can attend conference sessions for free. Call the City's Volunteer Coordinator at 646.3719 (<a href="mailto:sammon@ci.monterey.ca.us">sammon@ci.monterey.ca.us</a>) to volunteer.

# Preservation Efforts Taking Shape

Efforts to promote and support historic preservation in the City continue to move forward. Currently, we are working to expand our preservation effort to encompass Monterey's history of the late 1800s and early 1900s – which includes areas such as downtown and Cannery Row.

In addition, we continue to work with other owners of public historic buildings in the City to coordinate activities and schedules so that students, residents and visitors can experience a "complete" picture of Monterey's history.

Look for additional updates as the City completes public reviews on (a) the Historic Master Plan; (b) the revised Historic Preservation Ordinance, which includes regulations and incentives to help property owners protect their historic buildings; and (c) the Cannery Row Survey, which identifies historic buildings and historic districts in Cannery Row.

Preservation Efforts Lauded The program to strengthen and preserve the Pacific Biological Laboratory, a.k.a. "Doc's Lab," on Cannery Row garnered recognition at a state level.

The City received the Governor's Historic Preservation Award for improving the building's stability to resist earthquakes. City ownership and maintenance of the lab is part of a comprehensive program to preserve and interpret historic buildings for the enjoyment of people of all ages.

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# Act Incorporates City, or Does it?

Incorporation seemed to be a ritual for Monterey.

The City of Monterey was first incorporated 150 years ago this year on March 30, 1850, by a special legislative act. The act declared that "all lands heretofore known and acknowledged as the Pueblo of Monterey shall henceforth be known as the City of Monterey." It declared that the City would be governed by a Mayor, Recorder and Common Council and required the election of these city officials as well as a City Marshal, Assessor and Treasurer.

But that was just the beginning of the odyssey toward final incorporation.

The act of 1850 was repealed by another special legislative act (requested by a large group of citizens and taxpayers) and the City was reincorporated under a Charter with the same boundaries on April 30, 1851.

Then again in 1853, the City was both dis-incorporated and reincorporated with a provision

that placed a Board of Trustees in control of the City.

In 1859 – much to the dismay of the citizenry – the Trustees sold City lands. Because there were so many complaints, the City Charter was amended "in such a way as to render the power of the board for good or evil, exceedingly limited."

In 1889 after being amended three times, the Incorporation Act of 1853 was repealed by the State Legislature.

Finally on June 3, 1889, the Monterey County Board of Supervisors declared the City of Monterey a municipality of the sixth class under the provisions of the General Municipal Corporation Act of 1833. And that's the way it remains today.

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# Jobs for Teens Available at City

Are you looking for part-time employment? Or, a summer job?

The City offers job opportunities for teens 16 years and older through our Recreation and Community Services Department.

We're looking for people who are creative, organized, responsible, energetic, talented and flexible.

If you possess any of these qualities and a positive attitude that combines enthusiasm, cooperation, patience and a willingness to learn, then you can apply. All part-time positions involve working with various age groups.

We are hiring recreation leaders, swim instructors, lifeguards, sport attendants and camp counselors.

Application deadline for summer employment is April 7, by 4 p.m. Applications are available at the Recreation and Community Services office at 546 Dutra Street.

For more info on part-time jobs and summer employment for teens, call 646.3866 or email <a href="wierra@ci.monterey.ca.us">wierra@ci.monterey.ca.us</a>

# Monterey Public Library to Close for Upgrades

The Monterey Public Library is closed for re-carpeting, rewiring and safety upgrades through April 2. The Library will reopen on

Monday, April 3, at 9 a.m.

Limited check-out and book return are available through the Bookmobile. The Bookmobile will be open for business in the Cypress Parking Lot on Pacific Street, just south of the Library, Tues.-Thurs. 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Fri. and Sat. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Reference service, regular Bookmobile service, programs and storytimes will be suspended until April 3.

Please call 646.3932 for general Library information or visit the Library at www.monterev.org/library Thank you for your patience during this temporary closure.

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# Community Band Sounds Great

Come join the band!

The Monterey Community Band is made up of local volunteer musicians who perform at events throughout the community.

From the City's Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony and Special Olympics to the Big Sur International Marathon, the musical group provides entertainment and learning opportunities for community musicians. The Band even holds a special concert.

A City-sponsored recreation program, the Community Band is always looking for musicians who are at least 16 years of age.

There are no auditions, but you must be able to read music and provide your own instrument. The band practices at the Monterey High School Band Room on Mondays from 7:15 to 9:15 p.m. Practices are conducted by Dick Robins. To get involved call the Recreation and Community Services Department at 646.3866 or email <a href="mailto:vierra@ci.monterey.ca.us">vierra@ci.monterey.ca.us</a>

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## Via Paraiso Park Gets New Name

The City's ball field at Via Paraiso Park was renamed in honor of the late Peter Aldrete, the City's former Parks and Recreation Director.

Mr. Aldrete's children, Mike, Terre, Janna and Rich attended the ceremony along with some 250 community members.

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## Summer Volunteen Program Needs Teens

Wanted – teens 13 to 16 willing to devote 10 hours each week to the City's new Volunteen program during summer break. The program provides teens valuable training and job skill development as well as real world experience to include on job applications.

At summer's end, there will be a party and gift certificates awarded to program participants. To simulate a "real world" work environment, participating teens will complete a "job" application, sign a time commitment contract, obtain reference letters, interview for open positions, attend training sessions specific to individual assignments, maintain time sheets and volunteer an average of 10 hours a week.

Space is limited for this program and the application deadline is May 15.

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# Volunteers Make Neighborhood Clean-Up a Success

It took 15 community members more than 94 hours to supervise the neighborhood clean-up project last year in the Casanova Oak Knoll neighborhood (CONA). The results were tremendous, says community leader Richard Ruccello, and plans call for another clean-up this summer.

Some 200 cubic yards of fire hazards and garbage were removed and an additional 20 cubic yards were composted (a cubic yard creates a pile approaching the size of a small house). In addition, two big-load truckloads of appliances, sofas and water heaters were hauled away. "Everyone got to know everyone," said Ruccello of the effort that was coordinated by the Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT) members in the neighborhood. "And we got rid of a real mountain-size pile of trash."

The City provided six 20-cubic-yard containers and arranged for large unwanted items to be hauled away. NERT volunteers made sure items were placed in appropriate containers (e.g., recycled wood, metal, refuse). If you're interested in a similar project for your neighborhood, call the City's Recycling Coordinator at 646.5662 or email <a href="mailto:brantley@ci.monterey.ca.us">brantley@ci.monterey.ca.us</a>

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# Commute Alternatives/Ridesharing

Discover alternatives to traditional commuting! Attend a Clean Air Vehicle Fair downtown on May 2 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. The fair, sponsored by Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments, will showcase electric and CNG (natural gas) cars, buses, bicycles and trucks. For more info, call Commute Alternatives/Ridesharing at 883.3754.

## Legal Beagle

## **Practice Safe Skateboarding**

Skateboarding is a fun, healthy and "totally awesome" sport and form of transportation. Skateboarding can also be dangerous, not only to the skateboarder but to others as well. An out-of-control board can become a "missile" when a rider falls or loses control, posing risk to anyone in its path.

You can have fun and protect others by practicing safe skateboarding and being aware of and following City rules and regulations.

For example, skateboarding is not allowed in certain areas due to heavy pedestrian traffic. Such locations include the downtown area, Custom House Plaza, the Coastal Trail between Fisherman's Wharf and Pacific Grove's city limit, Fisherman's Wharf itself and other areas where "no skateboarding" signs have been posted.

Cars and skateboards can also be a hazardous combination, so it is illegal to skateboard in City parking lots or private lots posted as "no skateboarding" zones.

There are many places in the City where it is safe and legal to skateboard, including the new Skate Park. Practicing safe skateboarding can be "totally awesome."

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# Care and Share Day Links Projects, Volunteers

Matching community projects with volunteer helpers – that is what Care and Share Day on Saturday, April 15, is all about.

Community of Caring Monterey Peninsula is coordinating the service event to connect community needs/projects with volunteers. One-day projects are being identified, and families are encouraged to volunteer together. All ages welcome.

April 15 coincides with National Volunteer Week and Youth Service Day.

## Hot Volunteer Positions

Historic Preservation Conference - Learn about historic preservation while volunteering for this four-day event April 13-16. Help with special events, workshops and registration. Volunteers who work at least four hours can attend four hours of conference workshops for free

**California History Room** - Help maintain local history collections and provide public access to the collections at the Monterey Public Library.

Special Spring Events - Help with special community projects and spring holiday programs

throughout Monterey.

Afterschool Program - Share your sense of fun with young people in afterschool activities.

For more info on any of these volunteer opportunities, call the City's Volunteer Coordinator at 646.3719 or email <a href="mailto:sammon@ci.monterey.ca.us">sammon@ci.monterey.ca.us</a>

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