#### RESOLUTION NO. 2025-\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MORENO VALLEY, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE 2024 GENERAL PLAN ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT FOR SUBMISSION TO THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF LAND USE AND CLIMATE INNOVATION (LCI) AND DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (HCD)

**WHEREAS**, under California law, the City is required to adopt and maintain a comprehensive, long-term General Plan for its physical development, including consideration of any land located outside its boundaries which bears a relationship to its planning activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the General Plan is at the top of the hierarchy of the City's land use regulations; zoning and other land use decisions must conform to the General Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's General Plan serves as the blueprint for future growth and development and contains goals, objectives, policies, and programs designed to provide decision-makers with information and a basis for all land use-related decisions; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to state law, the General Plan must contain the following seven mandatory elements: (1) Land Use Element; (2) Circulation Element; (3) Housing Element; (4) Conservation Element; (5) Open Space Element; (6) Noise Element; and (7) Safety Element; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has the option of including additional elements in its General Plan as well; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Moreno Valley's current General Plan was adopted on July 11, 2006; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's adopted General Plan incorporates all of the required elements as follows:

- Community Development
- Circulation
- Parks, Recreation and Open Space
- Safety
- Noise
- Conservation
- Housing Element (6<sup>th</sup> Cycle (2021-2029) certified by HCD on October 11, 2022);
   and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Government Code Section 65400, the City is required to prepare an annual progress report on the status of the City's General Plan and its implementation ("Annual Report"); and

WHEREAS, the Annual Report must be submitted to the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation (LCI) and the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), on or before April 1, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Annual Report must be presented to the City Council for review and acceptance before it is submitted to the above-referenced state agencies; and

WHEREAS, LCI suggests that the Annual Report contain the following: (1) measures associated with the implementation of the General Plan with specific reference to individual elements; (2) the degree to which the General Plan complies with LCI's General Plan Guidelines; (3) the date of the last update to the General Plan; (4) priorities for land use decision making that have been established by the City Council such as the passage of moratoria or emergency ordinances; (5) goals, policies, objectives, standards or other plan proposals that need to be added or were deleted, amended, or otherwise adjusted; (6) references to the status of any specific General Plan element or policy with a brief comment on how each advanced the implementation of the General Plan during the past year; (7) planning activities initiated such as master plans, specific plans, master environmental assessments, annexation studies, and other studies or plans; (8) General Plan amendments; and (9) major development applications processed; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is required to submit a Housing Element Annual Progress Report to the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) using forms prescribed by HCD; and

**WHEREAS,** the City's Strategic Plan (Momentum MoVal), adopted on August 16, 2016, included Initiative 1.9.1 which provided guidance on the preparation of a General Plan Annual Report.

**WHEREAS,** on March 18, 2025, the City Council of the City of Moreno Valley reviewed and considered the Annual Report in its entirety; and

**WHEREAS**, all legal prerequisites to the adoption of this Resolution have occurred.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the City Council of the City of Moreno Valley hereby resolves as follows:

#### Section 1. Recitals and Exhibits

That the foregoing Recitals and attached Exhibits are true and correct and are hereby incorporated by this reference.

#### Section 2. Evidence

That the City Council has considered all of the evidence submitted into the administrative record for the 2024 General Plan Annual Progress Report (PEN25-0001), including, but not limited to, the following:

- a. Moreno Valley General Plan and all other relevant provisions contained therein;
- b. The 2024 General Plan Annual Progress Report, attached as Exhibit A;
- c. Housing Element APR reporting requirements, which each jurisdiction is required to report certain housing information in accordance with state housing law (refer to Government Code Sections 65400, 65583, and 65584), attached as Appendix A to Exhibit A;
- d. Staff Reports prepared for the City Council's consideration and all documents, records, and references related thereto.

#### Section 3. Findings

That based on the foregoing Recitals and the Evidence contained in the Administrative Record as set forth above, the Planning Commission finds that the General Plan Annual Progress Report has been prepared for 2024 and is consistent with the guidelines from the Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation (LCI) and the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

#### Section 4. CEQA Analysis

That in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the State CEQA Guidelines, it has been determined that this item does not constitute a "Project" under CEQA in that it does not involve any discretionary action that has the potential to cause a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, but rather it is a ministerial annual "reporting" duty the City must perform under State law.

#### Section 5. Approval

That the City Council approve the 2024 General Plan Annual Progress Report for submission to the Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation (LCI) and the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) on or before April 1, 2025.

#### Section 6. Repeal of Conflicting Provisions

That all the provisions heretofore adopted by the City Council that are in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution, are hereby repealed.

#### Section 7. Severability

That the City Council declares that, should any provision, section, paragraph, sentence or word of this Resolution be rendered or declared invalid by any final court action in a court of competent jurisdiction or by reason of any preemptive legislation, the remaining provisions, sections, paragraphs, sentences or words of this Resolution as hereby adopted shall remain in full force and effect.

#### Section 8. Effective Date

That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

#### Section 9. Certification

That the City Clerk for the City Council shall certify to the passage of this Resolution.

### PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 18th day of March 2025.

	CITY OF MORENO VALLEY CITY COUNCIL
ATTEST:	Ulises Cabrera, Mayor of the City of Moreno Valley
M. Patrica Rodriguez, City Clerk	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
Steven B. Quintanilla, City Attorney	
Exhibits:	

2024 General Plan Annual Report

Exhibit A:

#### **RESOLUTION JURAT**

STATE OF CALIFORNIA	)
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE	) ss.
CITY OF MORENO VALLEY	)
hereby certify that Resolution No Council of the City of Moreno V	ty Clerk of the City of Moreno Valley, California, do b. 2025 was duly and regularly adopted by the City alley at a regular meeting thereof held on March 18,
2025, by the following vote:	
AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	
(Council Members, Mayor	Pro Tem, and Mayor)
CITY CLERK	
(SEAL)	

# Exhibit A 2024 General Plan Annual Report



# GENERAL PLAN ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT

**JANUARY 1, 2024 - DECEMBER 31, 2024** 

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## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

CITY COUNCIL (Elected)	DISTRICT	TERM EXPIRES
Ulises Cabrera, Mayor	CITYWIDE MAYOR	December 2026
Elena Baca-Santa Cruz, Mayor Pro Tem	1	December 2028
Edward A. Delgado	2	December 2026
Erlan Gonzalez	3	December 2028
Cheylynda Barnard	4	December 2026

**TERM** 

#### PLANNING COMMISSION (Appointed) **EXDIRES**

EXPIRES	
Alvin DeJohnette, Chairperson	March 31, 2025
Ray Baker, Vice Chair	March 31, 2025
Omar Cobian	March 31, 2025
JoAnn Stephan	March 31, 2025
Daryl C. Terell	March 31, 2027
David Zeitz	March 31, 2027
Nicole Taylor	March 31, 2027
Gabriela Mendez (Alternate)	March 31, 2029

#### **CITY MANAGER**

Brian Mohan, City Manager

#### **ASSISTANT CITY MANAGERS**

Sean Kelleher, Assistant City Manager (Development) Launa Jimenez, Assistant City Manager (Administration)

#### **Community Development Department**

Angelica Frausto-Lupo, Community Development Director

#### **Planning Division**

Danielle Harper-Scott, Principal Planner Claudia Manrique-Miklusek, Associate Planner Gabriel Diaz, Associate Planner Grace Espino-Salcedo, Associate Planner Dijen Patel, Assistant Planner Sharon Alvarez, Permit Technician Renida Claude, Permit Technician Stacy Dunning, Administrative Assistant

# **ANNUAL REPORT SUMMARY**

#### **BACKGROUND**

On December 3, 1984, the City of Moreno Valley was incorporated as a general law city led by a City Council-Manager form of government. At the time of incorporation, the City of Moreno Valley consisted of 42 square miles and a population of 49,702 people. As of January 2024, the City included 51.56 square miles with a population of 218,926 people.

The City adopted its first General Plan in 1988. The General Plan was amended and updated on July 11, 2006. The City began the process for a comprehensive General Plan update in November 2019, which was completed on June 15, 2021. The updated General Plan (MoVal 2040) recognizes the community's diverse population, distinct residential neighborhoods, neighborhood and regional commercial activities, industrial potential, and recreational amenities. MoVal 2040 comprehensively updated all the programs and policies in the General Plan as well as added new Elements (Economic Development, Environmental Justice, and Healthy Community).

Shortly after the adoption of MoVal 2040, the Sierra Club filed a Petition for Writ of Mandate challenging the City's adoption of its General Plan update – including the changes to the Zoning Ordinance in Ordinance No. 981 – for alleged violations of the California Environmental Quality Act. (Sierra Club v. The City of Moreno Valley, Riverside Superior Court Case No. CVRI2103300). In May 2024, the City Council set aside the 2021 approvals and certification, based on a March 2024 ruling and judgment of the court (the "Ruling") and the 2006 General Plan was reinstated.

This document constitutes an annual report to the Planning Commission and City Council, as required by State Law, on the updates of programs and policies in the General Plan. The document includes major projects, General Plan amendments, a status report of goal objectives, policies and programs of the current General Plan, and a Housing Program Status Report. This Annual Report includes projects and information from January 1, 2024 through and up to December 31, 2024.

The following is a summary of the current adoption status of the different required elements of the 2006 General Plan:

- Community Development (2006)
- Circulation (2006)
- Parks, Recreation and Open Space (2006)
- Safety (2006)
- Noise (2006)
- Conservation (2006)
- Housing Element (6<sup>th</sup> Cycle 2021-2029 certified by HCD on October 11, 2022)

#### **ANALYSIS**

#### **Government Code Section 65400**

California Government Code Section 65400 requires that an annual report be made to the legislative body of the submitting jurisdiction on the status of the General Plan and progress towards its implementation prior to submittal to the California Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation (LCI) and Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). The report must also include activity that addresses the City's share of regional housing needs. State law requires the following:

- A General Plan Annual Report shall be provided by April of each year to the City Council, LCI and HCD; and
- A status of the General Plan and progress in its implementation shall be provided in the General Plan Annual Report; and
- Progress in meeting its share of the regional housing needs pursuant to Section 65584 of the Government Code shall be provided in the General Plan Annual Report.

#### **Annual Review and Housing Program Summary Report**

Pursuant to State Law, the Annual Report and Review of the City of Moreno Valley General Plan reports the progress in implementing the General Plan to the City Council. The City of Moreno Valley's Annual Report includes the following items:

- A list of Accomplishments from January 2024 through December 2024;
- A list of General Plan Amendments from January 2024 through December 2024;
   and
- Appendix A Housing Element Implementation Progress Report (which includes the City's progress made in meeting its share of regional housing needs pursuant to State Government Code Section 65584).

#### **Housing Element Progress**

State Law requires that each jurisdiction in California include a Housing Element in its General Plan that establishes specific actions, objectives, and timelines for meeting its state-mandated Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) for each income level. The RHNA is provided to jurisdictions in eight-year cycles. The current cycle is Cycle 6, which covers the time period of 2021 through 2029.

Every year, the City prepares an annual Housing Element Progress Report (Appendix A) that it submits to HCD and LCI by April 1st. Table 1 shows the City's progress in meeting its RHNA.

Table 1						
	City	of Moreno Valley	Cycle 6 RHNA Prog	gress		
Income Level	2021-2029	Projection Period	2021 – 2023 Units	New Units	Total	Remaining
	RHNA	(6/30/21-10/14/21)	(10/15/21-12/31/23)	2024	Units to	RHNA Need
	(# units)				Date	(Cycle 6)
Very Low	3,779			0		3,779
Low	2,051		32	0	32	2,019
Moderate	2,165	11	523	134	668	1,497
Above-Moderate	5,632	38	878	516	1,432	4,200
Total	13,627	49	1433	650	2,132	11,495

As the Cycle 6 Planning Period started on October 15, 2021, permitted units from both the Projection Period (June 30, 2021-October 14, 2021) and October 15, 2021, through December 31, 2021 count towards meeting Cycle 6's RHNA allocation.

The 2024 Housing Element Annual Report also includes required data on the number of applications submitted to the City for the production of housing units, the number of applications that were approved by the Planning Commission or City Council, and the number of building permits that were issued. The intention is to monitor whether cities are limiting housing production through their approval processes by comparing the number of housing units applied for to the number that are actually constructed. The City of Moreno Valley encourages the production of new housing in the City and has a record of approving all applications that meet City standards. Table 2, taken from Table A of the 2023 Housing Element Annual Report, shows that 1,986 housing units were proposed in the applications received by the City in 2024.

Table 2 2024 Submitted Housing Entitlement Applications Summary		
Total Housing Applications Submitted	29	
Number of Proposed Units in All Applications Received	1,986	
Total Housing Units Approved	14	
Total Housing Units Disapproved	0	
Total Housing Units in Review	1,972	

#### **General Plan Update**

The State Office of Planning and Research (OPR) recommends that cities update their General Plan every ten (10) years. The City of Moreno Valley completed its MoVal 2040 General Plan update on June 15, 2021.

Shortly after the adoption of MoVal 2040, the Sierra Club filed a Petition for Writ of Mandate challenging the City's adoption of its General Plan update – including the changes to the Zoning Ordinance in Ordinance No. 981 – for alleged violations of the California Environmental Quality Act. (Sierra Club v. The City of Moreno Valley, Riverside Superior Court Case No. CVRI2103300). In May 2024, the City of Moreno Valley was notified of the invalidation of the City's General Plan (MoVal 2040) and the 2006 General Plan was reinstated.

The City of Moreno Valley is currently working on a Revised Environmental Impact Report for MoVal 2040: The Moreno Valley Comprehensive General Plan Update, Municipal Code and Zoning (including Zoning Atlas) Amendments, and Climate Action Plan (Notice of Preparation posted on July 30, 2024). The Revised EIR will contain only those portions of the EIR that were found to be inadequate in the Ruling along with any necessary revisions.

#### Strategic Plan

Momentum MoVal, the City of Moreno Valley's Strategic Plan, represents the results of active engagement by Moreno Valley residents and the City Council in charting the community's course into the future. Adopted on August 16, 2016, the document provides a course of action for the City's next comprehensive General Plan update. This includes Objective 1.9 to "Ensure the City's General Plan articulates the vision of how Moreno Valley wants to evolve over time and provides an orderly and predictable process through which this vision is developed and implemented, including new attention to economic development, sustainability, public health, and innovation."

Initiatives included in the City's Strategic Plan articulate a plan of action for the completion of the comprehensive General Plan update. These include Initiative 1.9.3, which "includes consideration of incremental set aside of funding in the annual budget development in anticipation of future General Plan updates and Initiative 1.9.4, which calls for "conducting the comprehensive update of the City's General Plan and supporting environmental document, including all mandatory elements (including the 6<sup>th</sup> Cycle Housing Element, which was certified by HCD on October 11, 2022). The City of Moreno Valley is currently working on a Revised Environmental Impact Report for MoVal 2040: The Moreno Valley Comprehensive General Plan Update, Municipal Code and Zoning (including Zoning Atlas) Amendments, and Climate Action Plan.

#### **Prohousing Designation Program**

California's Prohousing Designation Program provides incentives to cities and counties in the form of additional points or other preference in the scoring of competitive housing, community development, and infrastructure programs.

Increasing the availability of housing statewide is critical to bettering the quality of life of all Californians and to ending homelessness. The 2019-2020 Budget Act provided a spectrum of support, incentives, and accountability measures to meet California's housing goals, and provided for the establishment of the Prohousing Designation Program.

The City of Moreno Valley was designated as a Prohousing Community by Governor Gavin Newsom on July 14, 2023. Moreno Valley is one of only 30 California communities that are now designated as Prohousing.

The State of California highlighted the creation of new mixed-use zones as part of the MoVal 2040 General Plan, meeting the RHNA requirements, providing a streamlined electronic plan submittal process through the innovative SimpliCITY Digital Plan Room, and offering an expedited plan review process as reasons for the Prohousing

Designation.

As a designated Prohousing City, Moreno Valley can now receive priority consideration for several crucial grants and funding programs that can transform the community, including the Prohousing Incentive Pilot grant, the Affordable Housing & Sustainable Communities funding program, the Transformative Climate Communities funding program, and more.

This designation will also allow the City to speed up the production of housing development, allowing more Moreno Valley families access to high-quality homes, regardless of income level.

#### <u>Assembly Bill 168 – Tribal Consultation</u>

Governor Newsom signed AB 168 into law on September 25, 2020. AB 168 closes the loophole created by SB 35 that allowed developers to gain fast-tracked approval of housing projects at locations with known tribal cultural resources, without being subject to CEQA environmental review or tribal consultation.

AB 168 also states that annual reports on the status of a City's general plan must now include information on the progress of the city in adopting or amending its general plan in compliance with its obligations to consult with California Native American tribes. In addition, local government agencies must provide formal notice to California Native American tribes affiliated with geographic areas proposed for development.

MoVal 2040, and amendments thereto, have complied with its obligations to consult with California Native American tribes, and to identify and protect, preserve, and mitigate impacts to places, features, and objects described in Sections 5097.9 and 5097.993 of the Public Resources Code, pursuant to Chapter 905 of the Statutes of 2004. California Native American Heritage Commission as well as all Tribal agencies on the City of Moreno Valley's consultation list received notification of the comprehensive General Plan Update on April 21, 2020, via certified US mail.

The California Native American Heritage Commission as well as all Tribal agencies on the City of Moreno Valley's consultation list received a second round of notification on August 14, 2024, via certified US mail, for the Revised Environmental Impact Report for MoVal 2040: The Moreno Valley Comprehensive General Plan Update, Municipal Code and Zoning (including Zoning Atlas) Amendments, and Climate Action Plan.

#### Adopted General Plan Amendments in 2024

The General Plan and Municipal Code provide the City of Moreno Valley with the tools necessary to guide its development. The updated General Plan, MoVal 2040, will provide direction for the City for decades to come. Implementation of the General Plan includes key projects that demonstrate how the City is carrying out the policy and vision of the Plan.

State law allows the General Plan to be amended four times annually. This allows the

General Plan to remain a current document responsive to the community's needs. Requests for amendments may be submitted by individuals or initiated by the City.

The following General Plan related projects reviewed and approved in January 2024 through December 2024 are as follows:

Case No.	Action	Description	Location
PEN22-0156 PEN22-0157 PEN22-0158 PEN22-0159	Commission recommended approval. March 5, 2024 – City Council approval with the second reading of the ordinance on March 19, 2024.	Heritage Park Neighborhood I: General Plan Amendment, Change of Zone, Conditional Use Permit, and Tentative Tract Map 38458 to subdivide approximately 9.42 acres for a Planned Unit Development comprised of 78 detached single-family residences.	Iris Avenue, east of Indian Street
PEN23-0069 PEN23-0070 PEN23-0071 PEN23-0072	Commission recommended approval. March 5, 2024 – City Council approval with the second reading of the ordinance on March 19, 2024.	acres for a Planned Unit Development comprised of 131 detached single-family residences.	corner of Goya Avenue and Indian Street
PEN24-0036			Citywide
PEN24-0033	Commission recommended approval. June 4, 2024 – City Council approval with the second	revisions to Chapter 9.02 (Permits and Approvals), Chapter 9.03 (Residential Districts), Chapter 9.09 (Specific Use Development Standards), Chapter 9.11 (Parking, Pedestrian and Loading Requirements), Chapter 9.14 (Land Divisions) and Chapter 9.15 (Definitions) of the Moreno Valley Municipal Code.	
PEN22-0133 PEN22-0134 PEN22-0136 PEN22-0130	July 25, 2024 – Planning Commission recommended approval. September 17, 2024 – City Council approval.	Sunset Crossing (North): A Planned Unit Development and Tentative Tract Map to subdivide approximately 28.2 acres into 135 residential lots for the development of a residential community, including park facilities and public improvements, with associated land use designation and zoning amendments.	Cottonwood Avenue, east of Nason Street, north of Bay Avenue

Case No.	Action	Description	Location
PEN23-0127	October 24, 2024 – Planning	Aquabella (SP 218): Master planned	South side of
PEN23-0109	Commission approved. November	community to accommodate	Cactus Avenue
PEN23-0118	19, 2024 - City Council approval	development of a 15,000 multi-	and north side
PEN23-0119	with the second reading of the	family and workforce housing units,	of Iris Avenue
PEN24-0041	ordinance on December 3, 2024.	a 24-acre mixed-use commercial	between
		and retail town center (with a 300-	Lasselle Street
		room hotel), 80 acres of parks, and	and Oliver
		40 acres for schools.	Street

#### **CONCLUSION**

The City of Moreno Valley 2006 General Plan continues to serve as an effective guide for orderly growth and development, preservation, and conservation of open space and natural resources. The document also provides for the efficient expenditure of public funds.

The City of Moreno Valley's legislative bodies will continue to use the 2006 General Plan as a primary source of long-range planning and policy direction. The 2006 General Plan will guide future growth and preserve the quality of life within the community through the next planning period until the readoption of the MoVal 2040 Comprehensive General Plan Update.

# **MAJOR MILESTONES AND PROJECTS**

The City of Moreno Valley is committed to implementing the adopted General Plan, Development Code and Design Guidelines. The Development Code and Design Guidelines, combined with the adopted Landscape Guidelines, are major tools to implement the General Plan.

The purpose of this Annual Report is to highlight significant accomplishments and summarize ongoing General Plan projects that the City of Moreno Valley has been working on between January of 2024 and December of 2024. Major accomplishments include key projects that demonstrate how the City of Moreno Valley is carrying out the policy and vision of the General Plan. This report is prepared in accordance with Section 65040.5 of the California Government Code.

#### **Community Development Department - Planning**

#### General Plan Goals, Policies, and Actions

- Goal 2.1: A pattern of land uses, which organizes future growth, minimizes conflicts between land uses, and which promotes the rational utilization of presently underdeveloped and undeveloped parcels.
- Goal 2.2: An organized, well-designed, high quality, and functional balance of urban and rural land uses that will meet the needs of a diverse population, and promote the optimum degree of health, safety, well-being, and beauty for all areas of the community, while maintaining a sound economic base.
- Objective 2.3: Promote a sense of community and pride within residential areas through increased neighborhood interaction and enhanced project design.
- Objective 2.4: Provide commercial areas within the City that are conveniently located, efficient, attractive, and have safe and easy pedestrian and vehicular circulation in order to serve the retail and service commercial needs of Moreno Valley residents and businesses.
- Goal 2.4: A supply of housing in sufficient numbers suitable to meet the diverse needs of future residents and to support healthy economic development without creating an oversupply of any particular type of housing.
- Objective 2.10: Ensure that all development within the City of Moreno Valley is of high quality, yields a pleasant living and working environment for existing and future residents, and attracts business as the result of consistent exemplary design.
- Policy 2.2.15: Encourage a diversity of housing types, including conventional, factory built, mobile home, and multiple family dwelling units.

# Goals, Policies, and Actions from the Housing Element (6th Cycle (2021-2029) certified by HCD on October 11, 2022)

Policy H.1-1: Maintain sufficient land designated and appropriately zoned for housing to achieve a complimentary mix of single-family and multi-family development to accommodate Moreno Valley's Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) growth needs throughout the planning period.

Policy H.1-L: To ensure consistency between the concurrent update of the 2040 General Plan, 2021-29 Housing Element, Zoning Ordinance Update, and related adopted planning documents.

Policy H.1-M: Compliance with State Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) laws.

Policy H.1-O: Facilitate the development of affordable ADUs and JADUs (including the development of an ADU website).

Goal H4: Increased opportunities for homeownership.

Policy H7-3: Diversify and expand the housing stock in Moreno Valley in order to better accommodate the varied housing needs of current and future residents.

#### **Major Development Projects in 2024**

Major development projects reviewed and approved in January 2024 through December 2024 include:

Case No.	Action	Description	Location
PEN20-0045 PEN21-0074 PEN20-0047 PEN20-0049 PEN20-0050 PEN20-0051 PEN20-0053	January 11, 2024 - Planning Commission approval.	The project includes a Tentative Parcel Map, Master Plot Plan, and four Conditional Use Permit (CUP) applications for the development of a commercial center with eight (8) buildings on approximately 9.3 acres.	
PEN23-0068	February 22, 2024 - Planning Commission approval.	A Conditional Use Permit to permit a charter school within the Alessandro Plaza Shopping Center.	
PEN22-0251	February 22, 2024 - Planning Commission approval.	A Conditional Use Permit for the development of a self-storage facility with outdoor vehicle/RV storage, located on a 3.11-acre vacant site.	Road, west of Day Street
PEN23-0116 PEN23-0117	February 22, 2024 - Planning Commission approval.	A Plot Plan and Tentative Tract Map 38676 to develop a sixteen (16) unit multi-family residential Condominium project on 0.91 acres.	between Heacock Street and

Case No.	Action	Description	Location
PEN21-0175	April 25, 2024 - Planning Commission approval.	The development of a 3,874 square- foot building, parking, and on-site and off-site improvements for the new Genesis Christian Fellowship's Geraldine Gibson Community Center.	Avenue, east of Day Street
PEN23-0103	May 23, 2024 - Planning Commission approval.	-	South side of Alessandro Boulevard, west of Moreno Beach Drive
PEN24-0040	July 11, 2024- Planning Commission approval.	A Conditional Use Permit to establish a preschool within existing classroom spaces at the Discovery Christian Church Campus.	
PEN23-0134 PEN23-0135 PEN23-0136 PEN23-0137	July 25, 2024- Planning Commission approval.	Anthem Energy: develop a commercial center with an 88-room, 3-story, 54,115 square-foot hotel, a fuel station for regular and alternative fuels with a 10,000 square-foot market, and a 2,700 square-foot quick service restaurant space with drivethrough on 4.78 acres.	Redlands Boulevard
PEN23-0139	October 10, 2024- Planning Commission approval.	Develop a parking lot with 83 standard vehicle parking spaces and associated improvements on a 1.2-acre site.	-

#### **New Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) Resources**

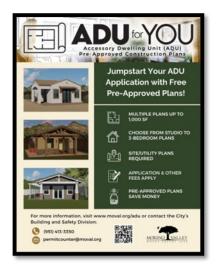
As part of an effort to increase the building of ADUs, the City launched its new "ADU for You" website (<a href="https://moval.gov/adu/index.html">https://moval.gov/adu/index.html</a>) in 2023 to provide property owners with information and a step-by-step interactive flow chart to aid in the ADU permitting and construction process.



In December 2024, the City of Moreno Valley expanded its "ADU for You" Program to include pre-approved ADU construction plans. This innovative approach saves residents the expense of hiring an architect or designer and significantly speeds up the approval process, allowing for quicker construction starts.

There are currently seven different pre-approved detached ADU plans available that may be used free of charge for the development of ADUs within the City. The plans include studio, one-, two-, or three-bedroom designs.

The City's Pre-Approved ADUs Plans are available at: https://moval.gov/adu/adu-plans.html



#### General Plan Goals, Objectives, Policies

Policy 6.1.2: Require all new developments, existing critical and essential facilities and structures to comply with the most recent Uniform Building Code seismic design standards.

Objective 6.1: Minimize the potential for loss of life and protect residents, workers, and visitors to the City from physical injury and property damage due to seismic ground shaking and secondary effects.

#### **Animal Services**

- The Animal Shelter logged over 17,700 visitors and completed over 11,700 calls for service in the field from the public and allied agencies.
- Over 3,300 sheltered pets had positive outcomes either by adoption, were transferred to partnered animal rescue groups, were returned to their owners or were part of the trap-neuter-release (TNR) program.
- 16 low-cost adoption events were held to help facilitate positive outcomes for homeless pets.
- 5 low-cost rabies vaccine clinics were held to ensure a robust rabies control program for Moreno Valley pets.
- 980 pets owned by Moreno Valley residents were provided free microchips with lifetime registration for their pets to help facilitate a speedy reunification in the event their lost pets arrive at the animal shelter.
- Animal Services works diligently with surrounding agencies, including the Donkeyland Rescue, to protect Moreno Valley's undomesticated burro population.



#### **Building & Safety**

• Over 8,000 building permits were issued this year, and over 25,000 building & safety construction inspections were conducted.

#### **Community Enhancement and Neighborhood Services**

• Over 24,000 neighborhood inspections were conducted, and over 14,000 residents were assisted.

#### **Economic Development**

#### **General Plan Goals, Objectives, Policies**

Objective 2.10: Ensure that all development within the City of Moreno Valley is of high quality, yields a pleasant living and working environment for existing and future residents, and attracts business as the result of consistent exemplary design.

#### **Major Projects and Activities**

#### **Business Attraction & Concierge Support**

Economic Development promotes Moreno Valley as a place to do business, with focused marketing to attract new businesses and grow the City's existing entrepreneurs. Successful business attraction and development creates employment opportunities for Moreno Valley residents and generates revenues for City services.

Business Attraction: During 2024, Economic Development curated lists of contacts and marketed Moreno Valley business opportunities to more than 100,000 contacts in the target categories listed below through print, digital, trade show, and email marketing campaigns:

- Aerospace: Aircraft Maintenance/Restoration, Aircraft Manufacturing, Corporate Aviation
- Commercial Retail: Restaurants, Entertainment, Auto Dealers, Fitness, Grocery, Lodging/ Resorts, Movie Theaters, Recreation, RV Dealers
- Electrical Equipment / Vehicle Manufacturing
- Entrepreneur/Small Business: Entrepreneurs, Small Businesses, Expanding Franchisees, Riverside County Trade Organizations, Inland Empire Trade Organizations
- Green Technology: Autonomous Tech, Energy: Solar, Wind, Alternative Fuels, Environmental Remediation, Nanotechnology, Waste & Wastewater Treatment, Recycling
- Healthcare Innovation: Biotech/Biomedical, Drug Manufacturing and Research, Healthcare Informatics, Hospitals and Clinics, Medical Testing and Clinical Laboratories, Pharmaceuticals, Biometrics
- Information Technology: Augmented/Virtual Reality, Artificial Intelligence, Software: Business Intelligence / Engineering / Healthcare, Data Storage and System Management, Application Development, Supply Chain Management Software, Cybersecurity, Data Centers
- Manufacturing: Additive/3D Manufacturing, Advanced Manufacturing, Aerospace Technology, Watercraft, Defense Technology, Drone Manufacturing, Medical Device Manufacturing, Robotics/Automation

Concierge Services: A concierge approach is offered to assist businesses and developers through the development process. Staff served as a project advocate to facilitate business and development customers' City Hall experience during project site selection, due diligence, entitlement, permitting, and construction.

New Businesses: Numerous businesses opened in the City, including 85C Bakery Café, CAVA, Dutch Bros Coffee, Alux Cocina + Mixologia, EOS Fitness, La Carniceria Meat Market, Winchell's Win Win Fillin' Station, Krak Boba, and many more.

#### Small Business Assistance & Retention

Economic Development's Small Business services provided in-person and online technical assistance, counseling, and workshops, helping Moreno Valley's entrepreneurs and small business owners access the support needed to grow and strengthen their businesses.

- Small Business Training: hosted 261 workshops on topics including: Quickbooks and Accounting, Access to Capital, Intellectual Property for Business Owners, Digital marketing, Starting Your Own Business, BERT, Artificial Intelligence for Business, Social Media and Website Resources, E-Commerce and more.
- Technical Assistance: partnered with expert consultants from the Orange County
  / Inland Empire Small Business Development Center (OCIE SBDC), California
  Baptist University's Family Business Center, and the University of California
  Riverside.

#### Workforce Development

The Business and Employment Resource Center (BERC) provided job recruitment and workforce development services. Hosted 147 workforce training events. Assisted nearly 27,000 career seekers with the following services:

- In-house computer lab access;
- Quarterly job fairs attended by hundreds of job seekers;
- Apprenticeship Connections, including Annual Apprenticeship Week Expo;
- Veteran Resource & Wellness Fair;
- Employer-specific hiring events; and
- In-person career coaching, employer training, and workshops such as Resume Writing, Interview Skills, Negotiate Like a Pro, Financial Literacy, Digital Skills, Grow With Google Scholarships, and more.

#### **Public Works**

#### General Plan Goals, Objectives, Policies

Objective 2.13: Coordinate development activity with the provision of public infrastructure and services to eliminate possible gaps in service provision.

Policy 5-12: Coordinate with Caltrans to redesign and reconstruct the SR-60 interchanges with Day Street, Perris Boulevard, Nason Street, Moreno Beach Drive, Redlands Boulevard, Theodore Street and Gilman Springs Road.

Goal 5-4: Develop a multi-year transportation infrastructure improvement program that, to the extent feasible, phases the construction of new projects in advance of new development.

Policy 2.13.4: Encourage installation of advanced technology infrastructure, including, but not limited to, infrastructure for high speed internet access and solar energy.

#### **Major Projects and Activities**

#### Capital Projects Division

- SR-60 & Moreno Beach Drive Interchange Improvements (\$32M)
- Juan Bautista de Anza Trail APT 4 (\$6.7M)
- Traffic Signal and ADA Ramps Updates at Pigeon Pass Rd and Ironwood Ave (\$300 K)
- Citywide Pavement Rehabilitation Program FY 23-24 (\$11M)

#### Transportation Engineering Division (TED)

TED received the following State and federally funded grants in 2024 for the following projects:

 Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Safe Streets for All (SS4A) for Moreno Valley Citywide Traffic Signal Safety Improvement Plan

#### **PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES**

#### General Plan Goals, Objectives, Policies

Objective 4.2: Provide safe, affordable and accessible recreation facilities and programs to meet the current and future needs of Moreno Valley's various age and interest groups and promote the provision of private recreational facilities.

Policy 2.18.5: Promote volunteer involvement in all public programs and within the community as a whole.

Policy 2.16.2: Provide for the expansion of library facilities as needed to keep pace with the growing population of Moreno Valley.

Objective 2.18: Promote social services programs that meet the special needs for childcare, the elderly, and the disabled.

Policy 2.18.1: Ensure that a full range of human service programs are available to meet the lifetime development needs of residents of all ages, including the special needs of seniors, families, children, disabled persons, and youth groups.

Policy 2.18.3: Work closely with local schools, private companies, churches, non-profit agencies, government social service agencies, and community groups to facilitate the provision of community services.

Policy 4.2.5: Work in conjunction with private and public school districts and other public agencies to facilitate the public use of school grounds and facilities for recreational activities. The City shall also encourage the development of park sites adjacent to school facilities to maximize recreational opportunities in Moreno Valley.

Policy 4.2.12: Include multi-functional spaces and facilities in parks to facilitate cultural events.

#### **Major Projects and Activities**

#### Parks and Community Services

- Walkway LED Retrofit and Replacement at Gateway Park, Fairway Park, Community Park, Woodland Park
- Shade Structures at the Conference and Recreation Center's Amphitheater
- Pergola Repairs at El Potrero Park
- Picnic Shelter replacements at Sunnymead Park
- Playground Equipment Replacement at JFK Park and Towngate II Park
- Restroom Exterior Repairs at Gateway Park
- Restroom Renovation and Roof Repairs at Victoriano Park
- Restroom Renovation at El Potrero Park
- Windsong Park opened to the public

- Implemented a \$6M+ Parks Rehab & Refurbishment Program which included:
  - o Installed a new playground at Hidden Springs Park and Pargue Amistad
  - o Replaced picnic tables and park benches at all parks in need
  - Replaced all broken and missing roof tiles on the restroom and storage buildings at Morrison Park
  - Replaced the restroom sinks at Morrison Park
  - Painted the picnic tables and benches at Celebration Park
- Replaced trash receptacles at all Community Facilities District (CFD) 1 parks
- Overseeded all bare turf areas Citywide
- University of California, Davis completed the installation of new walkway solar light fixtures at Adrienne Mitchell Park
- Installed new park signage at all City parks
- Replaced the switchgear electrical cabinet at Towngate Park
- Removed the old pedestrian bridges at Community Park
- Re-landscaped the parkways and entry planters at Bethune Park, Parque Amistad, and Lasselle Sports Park
- Moreno Valley is a proud recipient of California's first-ever Arts in California Parks Local Parks Grant Program

#### **Community Services**

#### A Child's Place

- Provided essential after-school care and valuable resources for workingclass families, ensuring services remained free or low-cost for part-time and full-time care.
- Continued a successful partnership with Ross Distribution Center, providing holiday gifts for all participants and supporting families in need.
- Increased parental involvement, enhancing program engagement, and fostering a stronger sense of community.

#### Recreation

- Awarded the National Endowment for the Arts grant, expanding creative arts opportunities.
- Launched MoVal Stage Stars camp for ages 8-17 in partnership with Valverde School of Performing Arts.
- Created the Silent Summer Disco event for teens aged 11-17, providing innovative programming that engages youth in a safe, fun environment.
- Continued collaboration with Riverside County UC Master Gardeners to promote healthy eating habits and vegetable gardening education.

#### Senior Center

- o Increased attendance from 39,179 in 2023 to 45,860 in 2024.
- o Increased meals served from 19,283 in 2023 to 24,069 in 2024.
- Reintroduced and revamped the Senior Center Townhall Meetings after a brief pause, enhancing community involvement and feedback opportunities.

#### Special Events

- The Department hosted a variety of festive and cultural events at the Civic Center Amphitheater over the past year, including the Multicultural Festival, Earth Day, Juneteenth, Moval Rocks Summer Concert Series, Moval Movies in the Park, 4th of July Celebration, El Grito de Independencia, Day of the Dead, Fun Color Run and Snow Day.
- The Department provided events throughout the city over the past year, which included Springtastic Youth Egg Hunt, Adult Flashlight Egg Scramble, Public Safety Expo, 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade, National Night Out, Holiday Tree Lighting featuring MoVal 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

#### Library

- Installation of 10 more Little Free Libraries (LFL) in Moreno Valley:
  - Members of the Western State Regional Council of Carpenters Union, Local
     105, constructed 10 new Little Free Library bins.
  - The Library Commission decided upon the themes and locations for the 10 new LFL bins. They check condition and inventory semimonthly for all 15 LFLs.
  - Moreno Valley Unified School District students painted the boxes.
  - Moreno Valley Friends of the Library donated stock for the LFL.
  - Parks staff installed the LFL in 10 parks, bringing the City-sponsored total to 15. Parks staff also monitor the condition of the LFLs in 10 parks, making repairs as necessary.
  - City Media and GIS teams created an online map directory of the LFLs. https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/c9a078eb9cd04048848906d0704685cb



 Moreno Valley Public Library (MVPL) continued grant-funded participation in the California Library Literacy Services program, to support Read MoVal/Talk MoVal adult literacy and family literacy services. In August, Moreno Valley was awarded

- its highest California Library Literacy Services award yet, \$35,750. In November 2024, Read MoVal welcomed three new adult literacy volunteer-tutors.
- Funds supported seven adult learner-tutor teams meet their personal goals. The Library continued monthly Family Literacy Socials for families of eligible adult learners with children younger than 12 years old.
- Throughout the tax season, local Moreno Valley residents could file their returns with Community Action Partnership of Riverside volunteer-filers through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program at all three libraries.
- The Library expanded youth programs by hosting a ABCs & 123s Storytime at Iris Plaza Library on Thursday mornings, starting January 2024. In collaboration with Moreno Valley Unified School District Esports coaches, Iris Plaza also hosted three Game On! marathons for teens. The Moreno Valley Mall Library also added the weekly Dragons in the Stacks Role Playing Games (RPG) for teens in October 2024.
- The FY23-24 Zip Book grant allowed Moreno Valley to fulfill 307 patron requests for backlisted books and audiobooks that were not in the collections.
- Riverside County Registrar operated an 11-day Vote Center at the Main Library in Moreno Valley for both the 2024 Primary and Presidential Elections.
- By 10:15 am on April 8, the Library had distributed 500 eclipse safety glasses. Several dozen stayed in the Main Library's parking lot to observe the phenomenon, while a dozen more viewed NASA's live presentation of the solar eclipse inside the Program Room.
- Partnering for a 3<sup>rd</sup> year with Neighborhood Forest, the Library coordinated distribution of 268 free Black Mission Fig tree seedlings at Moreno Valley's Earth Day event on April 20th. About 150 people stopped by to make buttons from recycled materials.
- Moreno Valley hosted its first Science Café, where kids could ask a real scientist about "Bites and Stings: Venomous Animals All Around Us!" This Science Café featured Dr. Mahmood Nikbakhtzadeh, a medical entomologist, chemical ecologist, and faculty of Environmental Health Science at California State University San Bernardino. A total of 25 participants enjoyed this event, with free admission, courtesy of the American Chemical Society San Gorgonio Chapter.
- Comic magician Justin Rivera, as seen on America's Got Talent!, kicked off this
  year's El Día de los Niños/Libros (Children's Day/Book Day) event, which
  celebrates the Library of the Future. More than 190 participants enjoyed the magic
  act, along with STEAM Loteria, gaming, block-building, 3D printing, and chalk art
  activities.
- Underwritten by a Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) grant (\$69,042), Moreno Valley opened a Technology Center at the Moreno Valley Mall Library branch, featuring gaming stations, 3D printers, VR equipment, a smart hydroponic garden, and sewing machines, in May 2024. Utilizing these new resources, Branch staff added weekly Discovery Club and Game On! programs.

- Over 530 readers out of 811 registrants completed the 2024 Summer Reading Challenge for reading every day, logging 311,684 minutes. Over 6,100 residents participated in free library events all summer long, like the Solar Oven activity at Iris Plaza, where they got to peek at the sun through the University of California Riverside's (UCR) solar telescope. Moreno Valley Unified School District served 7,838 children with free nutritious meals at the Main Library.
- A total of 215 participants attended 10 Kinder Camp sessions June-July at all library locations. Kinder Camp supports the parents and caregivers whose young children are entering kindergarten or transitional kindergarten. Kids enjoy Storytimes and play games like Stand Up/Sit Down or with shaker eggs to practice taking directions with movement. While the kids create crafts, library staff discuss transitional techniques with parents/caregivers.
- The Main Library hosted visits from the Moreno Valley Adult School students and third graders from Hendrick Ranch Elementary, while Iris Plaza Library hosted weekly field trips from Val Verde and Rainbow Ridge (A Child's Place) summer camps.
- With support from the Community Action Partnership of Riverside County (CAP Riverside), the Main and Iris Plaza libraries in Moreno Valley operated warm/cool centers to local residents during extreme temperatures.
- Moreno Valley celebrated a groundbreaking ceremony on August 12 for the new Lakeshore Village library branch, slated to open in 2025.
- A California Humanities Library Innovation Lab grant funded the "Puentes Culturales" (Cultural Bridges) program series to reach and engage Moreno Valley's immigrant residents during Fall 2024. Guatemalan, Mexican, Samoan, and Hawaiian cultures were celebrated with a photographic display, live marimba and mariachi concerts, ukulele lessons, and guest speaker author talks including Jose Chavez and Alex Espinoza. Grant monies also expanded Moreno Valley's collections with books on Samoan heritage and culture and the Library of Things with the addition of 20 ukuleles for circulation.
- Over 450 trick-or-treaters dropped by the Moreno Valley Mall Library during the annual "Mall-oween" event.
- The Main Library in Moreno Valley received three exterior murals from local artists:
   "Be a Part of the Story of Change" by Andrea Lopez (May), "Abundance of Knowledge" by Antonio Martinez (September), and "MoVal Reads!" by Maryam Crogham (October).
- State Parks and the State Library awarded Moreno Valley three stargazing kits (estimated value \$560 each), to circulate at each library branch.
- Library Commissioners attended the Serving with a Purpose conference (May), American Library Association (ALA) ALA Annual Exhibits Show (June), and California Library Association (CLA) CLA Annual Conference (September).

# <u>FINANCIAL & MANAGEMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT/CITY MANAGER'S</u> DEPARTMENT

#### General Plan Goals, Objectives, Policies

Objective 2.14: Establish and implement comprehensive solutions to the financing of public facilities that adequately distribute costs based on the level of benefit received and the timing of development.

Housing Program 5-E: Continue to administer the Mobile Home Grant Program to address substandard living conditions for very low-income owner-occupants and pursue new funding sources, such as those available through HCD's Mobile Home Park Rehabilitation and Resident Ownership Program (MPRROP). Market program via City communications and continue to distribute program material to mobile home parks.

Housing Program 6-A: Promote the use of solar energy and other environmentally sound, energy-efficient methods for heating and cooling homes, consistent with adopted building, mechanical, and plumbing codes. Provide information through the website and newsletters to residents, highlighting the availability of financial incentives available through federal, State, and local government programs such as the County of Riverside Home Weatherization Program, Western Riverside Council of Governments' HERO program, and funding for solar projects for low-income homeowners available through the GRID Alternatives program.

#### **Major Projects and Activities**

#### Financial Resources Division

The City Council adopted the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 two-year budget, the City's 12th consecutive balanced budget.

#### Administration/Housing

The City of Moreno Valley remains committed to maximizing existing resources and opportunities to achieve a better quality of life for its low to moderate-income residents.

- Assisted 3,438 households with Fair Housing Services.
- Assisted 72 persons experiencing homelessness with services.
- Improved/rehabilitated 26 low-to-moderate income homeowner housing units.
- Aided 58,092 individuals through public services, including senior services, youth services, and the MoVal Policing program.

#### Purchasing & Sustainability

- The Achievement of Excellence in Procurement (AEP) Award for outstanding public and non-profit procurement performance, measured by key attributes including innovation, professionalism, e-procurement, productivity, and leadership.
- The California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act authorizes CalRecycle to allocate \$10,500,000 annually for payments to cities and counties to support beverage container recycling and litter cleanup activities (CPP). The City of Moreno Valley was awarded \$52,361 under CPP 23.
- Senate Bill (SB) 1383 establishes methane emissions reduction targets for California as part of a statewide initiative to reduce short-lived climate pollutants. The Budget Act of 2022 authorizes CalRecycle to provide grants to local jurisdictions to support program implementation and compliance with these statutory requirements. The City of Moreno Valley was awarded \$547,390 in September 2024 (Awards for the SB 1383 Local Assistance Grant Program (Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, Fiscal Year 2022–23).

#### Financial & Management Services

 The City achieved the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting (ACFR) Award, the Popular Annual Financial Reporting (PAFR) Award, and the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for 2023 (awarded in December 2024). These three awards represent the highest level of recognition for municipal financial reporting and budgets.

#### Technology Services Division

- The Municipal Information Systems Association of California (MISAC) award for Excellence in Information Technology Practices for the 22nd consecutive year.
- The City of Moreno Valley has expanded free WiFi Gardens to six additional local parks and facilities in April and October of 2024: El Potrero Park, Morrison Park, Rock Ridge Park, Patriot Park, Westbluff Park, and Woodland Park.
- The new WiFi Gardens bring the overall total to 35 locations throughout Moreno Valley. These WiFi Gardens give residents access to the Internet in City facilities across Moreno Valley.
- A complete list of locations can be found at <u>moval.org/clic</u>, and an interactive map of WiFi Gardens can be found at moval.org/wifi.



#### 2024 Awards

Awards won by various City Departments in 2024 include the following:

#### **Economic Development**

 The League of California Cities' Helen Putnam Award for Excellence for the City's groundbreaking Hire MoVal program and its commitment to fostering partnerships and workforce development.



- The California Association of Local Economic Development (CALED) Award of Excellence for Collaborations and Partnerships for Elevate MoVal. An innovative collaboration with Moreno Valley College and local businesses to provide workforce development programs to residents and students.
- Competing against cities worldwide, Moreno Valley earned three Gold Awards, a Silver Award, and a Bronze Award from the International Economic Development Council, underscoring its dedication to economic growth and innovation.
  - Business Retention & Expansion (Gold), Moreno Valley Business & Employment Resource Center (BERC)
  - Economic Equity & Inclusion (Gold), Courtyards at Cottonwood
  - Postsecondary Education Partnership (Gold), Elevate MoVal
  - Regional Partnerships (Silver), Moreno Valley Veteran's Initiative
  - Print Brochure (Bronze), Destination MoVal
- City of Moreno Valley's innovative Courtyards at Cottonwood Project earned the 2024 Sustainability Award, given by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG). The groundbreaking housing initiative provides both affordable housing and on-site supportive services tailored to low-income families and seniors.



#### **Financial & Management Services**

- Municipal Information Systems Association of California (MISAC) award for Excellence in Information Technology Practices for the 22nd consecutive year.
- For an impressive 5th time, the City of Moreno Valley has received the Triple Crown medallion from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). The City achieved the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting (ACFR) Award, the Popular Annual Financial Reporting (PAFR) Award, and the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for 2023. These three awards represent the highest level of recognition for municipal financial reporting and budgets.

#### **Public Works**

- The City of Moreno Valley has been awarded the Build a Better Mousetrap (BABM)
   Award by the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration
   (FHWA) for its innovative speed cushion project. This award recognizes local
   agencies that use innovative solutions to address transportation challenges.
- B.E.S.T. Project of the Year Award from APWA for Juan Bautista de Anza Trail APT 4 project.
- Crown Communities Award from American City and County Juan Bautista de Anza Trail APT 4 project.

