

2020

**ECONOMIC  
ROUNDTABLE REPORT**

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Greater Antelope Valley  
**Economic Alliance**

## The Greater Antelope Valley is **Ready for Change!**

The saying goes that no one likes change except a wet baby. Even anticipated change can be stressful. However, if we, or our circumstances, never change, how boring would that be? How would personal growth or improving our community happen? Change can be fearful but it is also necessary to create vibrant businesses and communities.

Mid-year, our Executive Director of 6 years, Kimberly Maevers decided to leave GAVEA to grow her own business. Change.

GAVEA lost long time board member, Laurel Shockley, to her battle with cancer. Change.

An offer was made and accepted by PJ DelGaudio to join us as an interim, part time Executive Director. Change.

While planning to celebrate GAVEA's 20 Year Anniversary, a joint Holiday Celebration was done with the Antelope Valley Board of Trade. Change.

After 20 years, the board determined that it is time to self-reflect and plan for a new future.

The mission will always include economic development, working with the cities and counties that comprise the Antelope Valley. That was the original purpose and remains a core function. Creating and sharing the Round Table Report is one of the many contributions made by GAVEA to the community. Used as a tool to showcase the Antelope Valley for new development as well as a recruitment tool for new employees, it is full of information to assist with both.

As we embrace the inevitable change that is coming, many thanks go to the sponsors and investors who make GAVEA and the Round Table Report possible. Without your ongoing support, this publication would not exist.

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# 20 YEARS OF REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

For the last 20 years the Greater Antelope Valley Economic Alliance has served as the only regional Economic Development Corporation representing cities in North Los Angeles County and Southeast Kern County. Known as Southern California's Leading Edge, this group of high desert communities has been famed for its aerospace prowess for nearly 70 years. Supersonic travel, the Space Shuttle, and advanced stealth technology were all born here. NASA astronauts train here and now commercial space flight is being pioneered here. But today, we're also showing the world that we have the right stuff when it comes to developing advanced materials, building clean transport systems, crafting high-precision parts, generating fresh, green energy while adding value to innovative agricultural products. To top it off, we are able to stay innovated with our capable and dynamic workforce.

GAVEA, through its Antelope Valley Education & Research Foundation has created the annual Economic Round Table Report. The data found in the report is specific to the 25 zip codes that make up the region. This is done in order to help our Investors and Allies have a better understanding of the growth trends and shifts in our economy so that all of us can make more informed choices about our future and the business decisions we face.

When this report was originally drafted in 1999, our goal was to simply share the demographic and economic data for our five cities. Each year we have found a way to take the report to the next level. By highlighting the different industries and celebrating their milestones; showcasing the workforce development training programs; providing information on the tools and programs designed to help our local businesses; and highlighting the overall quality of life. It's a wealth of information that you will find nowhere else. Through the hard work of staff and dedication from

investors and sponsors we have been able to travel around the country and the world to share our stories.

As important as it is to have water, strong education programs and showcasing the economic growth in our cities. One thing that touches us all are the advances in Health Care for the Greater Antelope Valley. Our Centerfold story this year is Health Care in the High desert. We will highlight the milestones for our various Health Care providers, and share some exciting things coming down the pipeline to keep our communities healthy.

In December 2019, GAVEA celebrated our 20th anniversary. We had the opportunity to reflect on our accomplishments and toast to the future. 2020 has been the year of change for us. With the departure of our long time President, our organization having been going through some changes. The GAVEA team included Keira Richardson and Abosede Esho through all the changes, they found a way to make it work. In partnership with our design team, South Street Digital in Tehachapi. With the hard work and dedication from both the design team and GAVEA staff we have been able to develop another great report!

Lastly, with the continued support of our investors and sponsors we are not only able to create this great tool for us to use, we are able to share our stories with communities around the world. We are a small but mighty non-profit whose mission is to improve the regional economy through strategic efforts of business retention, expansion and attraction. Thanks to all that have shared their stories and knowledge. I apologize we didn't have room for everything you shared.

With appreciation,

PJ DelGaudio

Interim Executive Director





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# REGIONAL PROFILE

## REGIONAL POPULATION ..... 543,278

2010 Census.....	495,914
2020 Estimate.....	543,278
2025 Projected .....	567,839

Not Hispanic or Latino.....	288,095
Hispanic or Latino .....	255,183

### POPULATION BY RACE

White .....	279,714
Black/African American .....	77,734
American Indian/Alaskan Native.....	5,315
Asian Alone .....	21,170
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander.....	1,265
Other .....	127,301
Two or more Races .....	30,779

### MEDIAN AGE ..... 33.74

### REGIONAL HOUSING

2020 Est. Average Household Income.....	\$79,458
Housing Units .....	109,056
Owner Occupied.....	66.28%
2020 Est. Average Household Size.....	3.20
Average Length of Residence (yrs)*Owner occupied .....	14.46

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME	2020 Est	%
Primarily Speak English	319,984	0.63
Primarily Speak Spanish	158,955	31.52
Speak Other Language	3,759	0.74

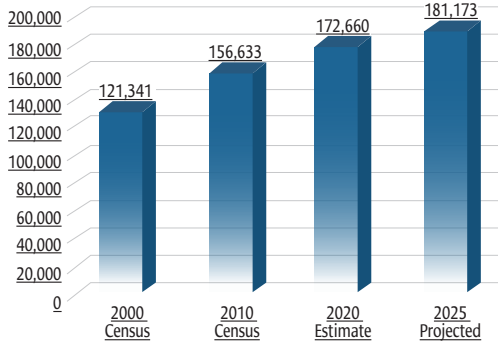
2020 EST. POPULATION BY AGE	2020 Est	%
Age 0-17	139,108	25.61
Age 18-54	270,120	49.72
Age 55-64	66,977	12.33
Age 65 and over	67,073	12.35

2020 EST. EDUCATION (AGE 25+)	2020 Est	%
HS Graduate (or GED)	97,825	28.14
Some College, No Degree	94,387	27.15
Associate's Degree	30,367	8.74
Bachelor's Degree	38,603	11.11
Master's Degree	15,496	4.46
Professional Degree	2,845	0.82
Doctorate Degree	1,659	0.48

SOURCE: Claritas via Environics Analytics  
<https://en.environicsanalytics.ca/Spotlight>

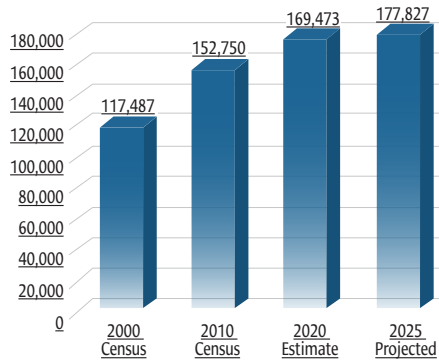


## City of Lancaster 172,660



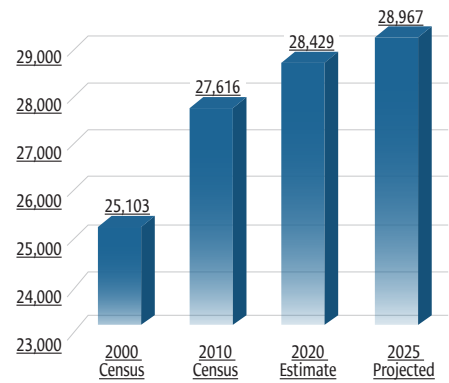
State Population Ranking (size)..... 33  
 Population Growth from 2010  
 Census to 2020 estimate..... 16,027  
 Population Growth % from 2010 ..... 10.23

## City of Palmdale 169,473



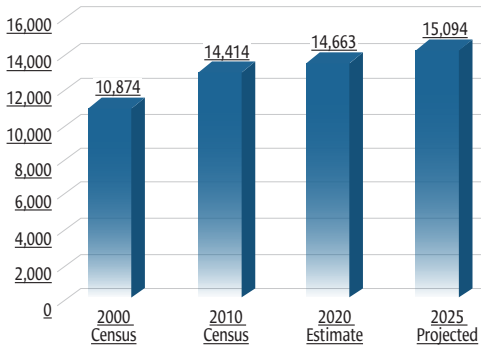
State Population Ranking (size)..... 35  
 Population Growth from 2010  
 Census to 2020 estimate..... 16,723  
 Population Growth % from 2010 ..... 10.95

## City of Ridgecrest 28,429



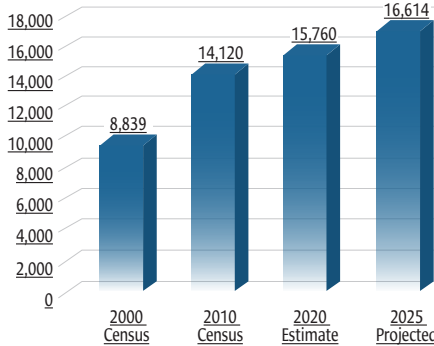
State Population Ranking (size)..... 251  
 Population Growth from 2010  
 Census to 2020 estimate..... 877  
 Population Growth % from 2010 ..... 2.59

## City of Tehachapi 14,663



State Population Ranking (size)..... 340  
 Population Growth from 2010  
 Census to 2020 estimate..... 249  
 Population Growth % from 2010 ..... 1.73

## California City 15,760



State Population Ranking (size)..... 329  
 Population Growth from 2010  
 Census to 2020 estimate..... 1,640  
 Population Growth % from 2010 ..... 11.62

### Antelope Valley 5-year Population Forecast\*

	2020 Est	2025 Proj.
City of Lancaster (93534, 93535, 93536)	202,083	211,796
City of Palmdale (93550, 93551, 93552)	181,998	190,980
*Unincorporated - LA County (93510, 93532, 93543, 93544, 93553, 93563, 93591)	37,188	38,601
California City (93505)	15,628	16,092
Greater Tehachapi (93531, 93561)	38,056	39,789
City of Ridgecrest (93555)	33,848	36,081
*Unincorporated - Kern County (93501, 93516, 93519, 93523, 93524, 93527, 93554, 93560)	34,837	36,081

### Greater Antelope Valley Region

**543,278 567,866**

\*Areas Defined by Zip Codes  
 Source: Claritas via Environics Analytics

State Population Ranking Source: [www.cacities.org/Resources-Documents/.../2019-City-Population-Rank.aspx](http://www.cacities.org/Resources-Documents/.../2019-City-Population-Rank.aspx)  
 Source: Claritas via Environics Analytics: <https://en.environicsanalytics.ca/Spotlight>

## POPULATION BY ZIP CODE

ZIP	CITY	2010 CENSUS	2020 EST.	2025 PROJ.
93501	Mojave	5,639	6,097	6,355
93505	California City	13,789	15,268	16,092
93516	Boron	2,328	2,466	2,548
93519	Cantil	112	101	101
93523	Edwards	3,264	2,957	2,914
93524	Edwards	160	140	137
93527	Inyokern	2,454	2,516	2,562
93531	Keene	376	408	425
93554	Randsburg	25	23	23
93555	Ridgecrest	32,936	33,848	34,527
93560	Rosamond	18,854	20,537	21,441
93561	Greater Tehachapi (Includes 93531)	35,213	38,056	39,789

ZIP	CITY	2010 CENSUS	2020 EST.	2025 PROJ.
93510	Acton	7,801	8,128	8,355
93532	Lake Huges	2,787	3,050	3,186
93534	Lancaster	39,655	42,606	44,236
93535	Lancaster	71,757	79,555	83,469
93536	Lancaster	70,956	79,922	84,064
93543	Little Rock	13,355	14,570	15,222
93544	Llano	1,423	1,640	1,745
93550	Palmdale	74,599	79,201	81,930
93551	Palmdale	51,164	58,946	62,513
93552	Palmdale	38,291	43,851	46,537
93553	Pearblossom	1,805	1,972	2,064
93563	Valyermo	281	284	287
93591	Lake L.A. (Palmdale)	7,266	7,544	7,742

**Overall Total 496,290 543,686 568,264**

Source: Claritas via Environics Analytics: <https://en.environicsanalytics.ca/Spotlight>



# EMPLOYMENT IN

## LOS ANGELES COUNTY

INDUSTRY	NAICS	2018 AAE	2018 TP	2017 AAE	2017 TP	2016 AAE	2016 TP
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting.....	11	134	\$5,134,196	140	\$5,337,288	139	\$8,005,078
Mining.....	21	***	***	32	\$2,852,324	854	\$68,341,842
Utilities.....	22	280	\$34,363,644	287	\$36,977,915	223	\$21,808,983
Construction.....	23	3,419	\$180,208,913	3,340	\$168,219,782	571	\$24,446,659
Manufacturing.....	31	8,573	\$755,603,658	7,145	\$649,865,507	2,060	\$159,120,978
Wholesale Trade.....	42	982	\$45,808,986	959	\$44,245,074	460	\$20,864,791
Retail Trade.....	44	11,747	\$399,666,717	11,653	\$323,720,899	2,635	\$68,522,878
Transportation and Warehousing.....	48	2,478	\$106,831,966	2,366	\$99,881,345	1,569	\$103,127,334
Information.....	51	709	\$37,510,613	790	\$41,259,888	209	\$9,996,502
Finance and Insurance.....	52	1,246	\$73,369,975	1,272	\$71,209,164	265	\$11,470,417
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing.....	53	959	\$39,308,385	894	\$36,027,907	300	\$7,730,932
Prof., Scientific, and Technical Services.....	54	2,359	\$167,731,346	2,344	\$155,886,455	2,618	\$195,433,945
Management of Companies and Enterprises.....	55	139	\$5,729,087	90	\$4,840,240	***	***
Admin. & Support and Waste Management.....	56	3,812	\$112,840,844	3,523	\$99,131,494	834	35,584,884
Educational Services.....	61	917	\$30,223,626	1,289	\$48,092,704	200	\$7,029,939
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	62	18,401	\$681,866,232	17,236	\$651,384,189	2,035	\$79,315,459
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation.....	71	852	\$17,211,278	856	\$16,945,253	306	\$6,018,621
Accommodation and Food Services.....	72	9,398	\$183,708,175	8,968	\$166,799,666	2,420	\$46,237,064
Other Services (except Public Admin.).....	81	1,953	\$54,571,829	1,971	\$50,905,201	713	\$24,481,061
Not Elsewhere Classified (N/A).....	99	***	***	264	\$8,603,083	***	***
Federal Government.....	92-F	***	***	2,352	\$244,752,528	8,342	\$744,806,995
Local Government.....	92-L	2,103	\$836,770,251	14,999	\$784,590,370	3,482	\$158,643,381
State Government.....	92-S	15,651	\$120,614,459	2,096	\$113,398,898	2,373	\$115,941,663
<b>Total, All Industries.....</b>		<b>88,717</b>	<b>\$4,112,884,636</b>	<b>84,867</b>	<b>\$3,824,927,174</b>	<b>32,837</b>	<b>\$1,928,628,928</b>

AAE - Annual Average Employment, TP - Total Payroll  
 \*\*\* Data are confidential if there are fewer than 3 businesses in a category or one employer makes up 80 percent or more of the employment in a category.

93510 Acton, 93532 Lake Hughes, 93534 Lancaster, 93535 Lancaster, 93536 Lancaster, 93543 Littlerock, 93544 Llano, 93550 Palmdale, 93551 Palmdale, 93552 Palmdale, 93553 Pearlblossom, 93563 Valyermo, 93591 Lake LA

## KERN COUNTY

INDUSTRY	NAICS	2018 AAE	2018 TP	2017 AAE	2017 TP	2016 AAE	2016 TP
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting.....	11	88	\$3,913,088	102	\$3,865,878	160	\$3,865,878
Mining.....	21	946	\$82,474,218	898	\$74,907,275	32	\$2,690,491
Utilities.....	22	305	\$28,736,962	330	\$32,990,093	297	\$36,907,442
Construction.....	23	707	\$34,873,848	618	\$27,766,991	3,152	\$153,312,783
Manufacturing.....	31	1,905	\$145,942,091	1,964	\$151,992,747	6,845	\$608,311,060
Wholesale Trade.....	42	453	\$20,136,827	537	\$21,371,689	943	\$43,450,321
Retail Trade.....	44	2,835	\$75,300,674	2,808	\$72,021,660	11,581	\$310,060,363
Transportation and Warehousing.....	48	2,054	\$162,088,689	1,755	\$122,927,226	2,372	\$98,373,184
Information.....	51	238	\$13,167,369	229	\$11,639,554	813	\$40,150,239
Finance and Insurance.....	52	258	\$13,993,028	250	\$11,744,245	1,288	\$69,101,622
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing.....	53	447	\$18,857,156	296	\$9,264,831	974	\$40,061,087
Prof., Scientific, and Technical Services.....	54	2,477	\$201,363,910	2,679	\$205,216,100	2,315	\$150,132,805
Management of Companies and Enterprises.....	55	***	***	***	***	78	\$4,605,421
Admin. & Support and Waste Management.....	56	921	\$41,707,107	901	\$43,669,232	3,273	\$90,626,527
Educational Services.....	61	220	\$8,132,394	212	\$7,417,780	1,272	\$49,394,121
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	62	2,496	\$96,034,153	2,221	\$85,878,138	15,572	\$589,132,646
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation.....	71	262	\$5,696,490	302	\$6,326,256	805	\$15,443,423
Accommodation and Food Services.....	72	2,643	\$50,156,224	2,573	\$46,815,997	8,718	\$156,514,050
Other Services (except Public Admin.).....	81	902	\$36,489,981	824	\$30,056,318	1,840	\$47,516,682
Not Elsewhere Classified (CONFIDENTIAL).....	99	***	***	***	***	2,260	\$228,759,895
Federal Government (CONFIDENTIAL).....	92-F	***	***	***	***	2,058	\$109,900,749
Local Government.....	92-L	3,404	\$165,390,553	3,564	\$167,385,469	284	\$9,515,404
State Government.....	92-S	2,256	\$125,302,978	2,305	\$115,898,185	14,474	\$757,296,566
<b>Total, All Industries.....</b>		<b>34,562</b>	<b>\$2,142,210,158</b>	<b>34,074</b>	<b>\$2,037,297,517</b>	<b>81,406</b>	<b>\$3,617,052,188</b>

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 Source: EDD

93501 Mojave, 93505 Cal. City, 93516 Boron, 93519 Cantil, 93523 Edwards, 93524 Edwards, 93527 Inyokern, 93531 Keene, 93554 Randsburg, 93555 Ridgecrest, 93560 Rosamond, 93561 Tehachapi

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### 2019 MILESTONES:

#### Mental health urgent care center scheduled to open.

A \$14.3 million mental health urgent care center is scheduled to open this fall at Los Angeles County's High Desert Regional Health Center in central Lancaster.

Authorized in October by a vote at the Board of Supervisors, the 9,900-square-foot 24-hour mental health urgent care building will be built east of the six-year-old county health center, providing services for Antelope Valley patients who now must travel to the county's Olive View-UCLA Medical Center in Sylmar.

The urgent care building will be open around the clock and will offer mental health services to adults, children and adolescents including diagnosis, evaluation, treatment, referrals, consultation, community services, crisis intervention/stabilization, medication support, and case management, county officials said.

**Operated by the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services, High Desert Regional Health Center** at 335 East Ave. I opened in 2014 to offer primary medical care clinics, a range of specialty clinics and urgent care services. The 15-acre campus was built to provide a more central location and more modern facilities, replacing aging offices that were part of the former High Desert Hospital built in 1962 in west Lancaster.

#### Los Angeles County Air Show partners with Edwards AFB Open House

Los Angeles County will partner with Edwards Air Force Base twice in 2020 to show off the Antelope Valley's aerospace accomplishments.

William J. Fox Airfield, operated by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works' Aviation Division, will host the Los Angeles County Air Show on March 21 and 22 featuring the U.S. Navy Blue Angels precision flight team.

Then Edwards Air Force Base will host an open house with flight demonstrations on Oct. 21 and 22, starring the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds precision flight team. It will be Edwards' first open house since 2009.

**Starting in 2021**, the aerospace shows will alternate each October between Fox Airfield, at 4725 William J. Barnes Ave. in Lancaster, and Edwards.

Fox Airfield will host the October 2021 Los Angeles County Air Show, with the 2022 display at Edwards.

#### Landfill vouchers offered in unincorporated areas.

As part of Los Angeles County continuing battle to curb illegal dumping, the Antelope Valley Illegal Dumping Task Force launched a pilot program offering vouchers to residents and property owners in unincorporated communities to dispose of waste at Antelope Valley landfills. The vouchers are intended to help people clean up their properties and



Los Angeles County Supervisor Kathryn Barger talks with Homes4Families Vice Chair Brad Rosenheim at the 56-home Veteran Enriched Neighborhood under construction in Palmdale.



Los Angeles County Supervisor Kathryn Barger talks at the groundbreaking for US Tool Group's new Palmdale facility.

dispose of waste lawfully. The pilot program, which offers two landfill vouchers to each household or property owner, will operate through June 2020. Task Force members will evaluate the results and decide whether the vouchers should be continued.

*The Board of Supervisors is the governing body of the County of Los Angeles, a charter county that covers more than 4,000 square miles and contains more than 10 million residents. The board serves as the executive and legislative head of the largest and most complex county government in the United States.*



Los Angeles County Supervisor Kathryn Barger cuts the ribbon for the skate park at George Lane Park in Quartz Hill.

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**BUSINESS/COMMUNITY QUOTE**

“As the first-ever three-time winner of the Most Business-Friendly City award, Lancaster knows how to make things happen. We take great pride in serving as an ally and advocate for positive growth in our community. From top management to front-line employees, from a simple business license to a large-scale development project, Lancaster works to remove obstacles and ensure that business thrives here.”

-Mayor R. Rex Parris

**2019 MILESTONES:**

**Most Business-Friendly City:** Lancaster was named the “Most Business-Friendly City” in Los Angeles County by the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation. With previous wins in 2007 and 2013, Lancaster is the first-ever three-time winner of the award.

**Toys “R” Us:** The long-standing Toys “R” Us building was demolished in late 2019, with plans for redevelopment in 2020. The City will welcome new development at the busy intersection, adjacent to the soon-to-be-redesigned freeway interchange at Avenue K.

**Green Power Awards:** Due to Lancaster’s ongoing innovation and impact on alternative energy, Lancaster was recognized as Green Power Community of the Year and Mayor R. Rex Parris was named Green Power Leader of the Year by the EPA.

**BLVD Marriott:** Following a redesign, the BLVD Marriott Residence Inn is under construction and slated for completion in 2021. The four-story, 107-room hotel will feature meeting space and is the first hotel in the region located in a downtown setting.

**Measure R Projects:** With \$65 million in secured funds, construction is moving forward on the improvements at five key freeway interchanges and surrounding local streets. Avenues J, K, M, L and G will be reconstructed; Avenue J will be first.

**Google:** Through a partnership with Google, Lancaster became one of the first cities nationwide to pilot the cutting-

edge Environmental Insights Explorer. The program leverages unique Google data to provide insights that aid local leaders in their work to save our planet.

**Hydrogen Pilot Project:** Clean energy company Heliogen has partnered with the City to perform research, develop, and demonstrate technology used to produce green hydrogen at a site in the Lancaster Business Park. Early investors in this cutting-edge firm include Bill Gates.

**Smart City Initiatives:** Infrastructure upgrades have been made throughout the City to increase cell connectivity for residents and businesses, including free WiFi downtown. Smart nodes will be placed on every streetlight citywide to help provide a safer, more connected community.

**New BLVD Restaurants:** The BLVD welcomed a number of new restaurants. These include La Papillon, offering upscale California cuisine with a French twist; Cold Crush, combining Cajun fare with a vibrant nightlife scene; and Sassy Bird, featuring Nashville hot chicken.

**Ready, Set, Charge!:** Lancaster Choice Energy launched its first-ever electric vehicle incentive program, designed to accelerate the adoption of EVs while reducing emissions. Participating dealers include Toyota of Lancaster, AV Chevrolet, Hunter Dodge Chrysler Jeep RAM, AV Subaru, Honda Lancaster and AV Harley Davidson.

**Oasis @ 10K:** This 20,000-square-foot commercial center, located at one of

Lancaster’s key intersections, opened in 2018. WaBa Grill and a number of other tenants will soon join The Habit, Blaze Pizza, and others at the popular center.

**Park Facility Upgrades:** Lancaster continues to invest in our public improvement program, which includes park improvements and City beautification. Jane Reynolds Park recently received a facelift, with renovations to Webber Pool and the construction of the City’s first skate park.

**BUSINESS & INDUSTRIAL EFFORTS:**

With an industrial vacancy rate of just 2.9%, industrial development is heating up. Construction was recently completed on a 43,000-square-foot industrial facility in the Lancaster Business Park, with plans for another build-to-suit of 18,000 square feet. Additional speculative industrial development is in various stages of plan check.

The North Los Angeles County Regional Center is doubling in size from 20,000 square feet to 40,000 square feet. After outgrowing their existing facility in the Lancaster Business Park, they decided to take over an existing building on 10th Street West. Following extensive renovations and construction, the site is slated to open in August 2020.

Demand for additional hotel rooms continues to rise as occupancy rates are consistently over 90%. As such, there are plans for development of four new hotels, including the 107-room Marriott Residence



InSite Development and Midas Hospitality broke ground on a 107-room Marriott Residence Inn in the heart of downtown Lancaster



Lancaster Boulevard received street improvements that included the addition of two roundabouts, one at 15th Street East and the other at 15th Street West.



Mayor R. Rex Parris was named the Green Power Leader Award by the EPA for his leadership and commitment to increasing green power use.

Inn on the BLVD. A four-story 105-room Fairfield Inn and Suites is now fully approved near the existing Towneplace Suites at 20th Street West and Avenue J-8. Two additional hotels are proposed near the existing Homewood and Hampton Suites across from Lancaster Municipal Stadium. With the increase in aerospace workforce demand and dozens of weekend athletic tournaments throughout the year, these new developments will help alleviate the current room shortage.

**Healthcare**

In collaboration with Antelope Valley Hospital, Lancaster is working to develop Medical Main Street – a cutting-edge health district designed to provide easily accessible, first-rate healthcare to Antelope Valley residents. The area is envisioned as a walkable, mixed-use destination encompassing a wide range of health care facilities; health-conscious eateries and retail; and hospitality and residential options, all in a pedestrian-focused setting.

Antelope Valley Hospital (AVH), the anchor of the Medical Main Street District, is planning construction of a new state-of-the-art facility equipped with the latest technology and amenities to meet the needs of the region. Serving over 200,000 patients each year, AVH offers the region's only pediatric unit, neonatal intensive care unit, and trauma center. The hospital is one of the City's largest employers, staffing around 2,300 people.

On the AVH campus, City of Hope provides convenient access for residents seeking treatment in their state-of-the-art full-service cancer center. The 56,000-square-foot facility was designed to offer patients a complete range of services, with space for diagnostic and treatment procedures including surgery, radiation and chemotherapy. As a result of this partnership, patients have easy access to comprehensive services innovative treatment options, including clinical trials.

In addition, Kaiser Permanente has served the Antelope Valley region for over 50 years. What originated as a single medical office with a handful of employees has expanded into six facilities with over 1,200 employees and 178 physicians, who work together to serve more than 130,000 patients. Kaiser Permanente continues to expand its local infrastructure to better serve its members through quicker diagnostics and greater convenience.

**BUSINESS / INDUSTRIAL PARKS:**

**ANTELOPE VALLEY MEDICAL MAIN STREET**

**Location:** Avenue J & 15th Street West  
**Total Acreage:** 340 acres  
**Zoning:** Specific Plan

**CENTERPOINT BUSINESS PARK**

**Location:** Avenue J & Lowtree Avenue  
**Total Acreage:** 9.5 acres  
**Zoning:** Office Professional

**ENTERPRISE BUSINESS PARK**

**Location:** Sierra Highway & Avenue L-4  
**Total Acreage:** 75 acres  
**Zoning:** Office/Light Industrial

**FOX FIELD INDUSTRIAL CORRIDOR**

**Location:** Avenue H West of SR-14  
**Total Acreage:** 8,236 acres  
**Zoning:** Specific Plan

**LANCASTER BUSINESS PARK**

**Location:** Business Center Parkway & Avenue K-8  
**Total Acreage:** 240 acres  
**Zoning:** Specific Plan

**NORTH VALLEY INDUSTRIAL CENTER**

**Location:** Avenue H & Division Street  
**Total Acreage:** 270 acres  
**Zoning:** Heavy Industrial

**SOUTHERN AMARGOSA INDUSTRIAL**

**Location:** Avenues L & M East of SR-14  
**Total Acreage:** 1,400 acres  
**Zoning:** Light Industrial

**THE BLVD**

**Location:** Lancaster Blvd & 10th Street West to Sierra Highway  
**Total Acreage:** 9.5 acres  
**Zoning:** Commercial/Office Professional/Specific Plan

**City of LANCASTER**

**2020 Population**  
 (Combined Zip Codes)\*\*.....**202,083**  
 2010 Census Population .....182,368  
 2025 Projection .....211,769

**2020 City Population (City Only) ..... 172,660**  
 2010 Census Population .....156,633  
 2025 Projection .....181,173

**POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS**  
 Median Age .....33.2  
 Spanish Speaking..... 29.36%

**POPULATION BY ORIGIN**  
 Not Hispanic or Latino..... 55.14%  
 Hispanic or Latino ..... 44.86%

**POPULATION BY ORIGIN**  
 White Alone..... 43.95%  
 Black or African American ..... 20.90%  
 American Indian / Alaska Native .....0.93%  
 Asian Alone .....4.29%  
 Native Hawaiian / other Pac. Islander.....0.21%  
 Some Other Race ..... 24.37%  
 Two or More Races .....5.66%

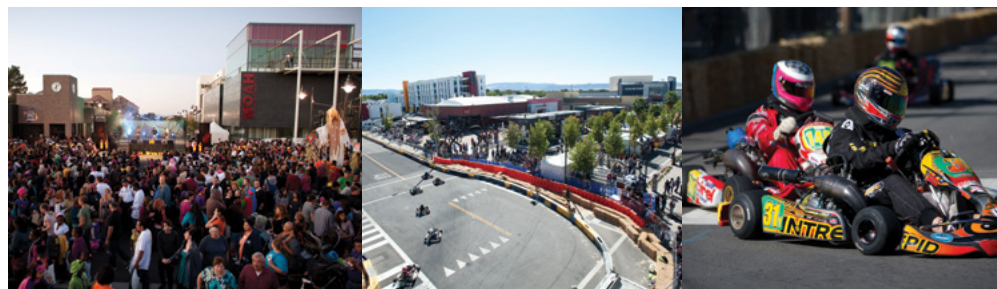
**AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME .... \$76,719**  
 93534 .....\$55,832  
 93535 .....\$63,967  
 93536 .....102,511

**Median HOUSING**  
 93534 ..... \$215,286  
 93535 ..... \$198,156  
 93536 ..... \$367,208  
 Housing Units (estimate) ..... 60,333  
 Person per Household (avg.) .....3.21  
 Homeowners (avg.) ..... 61.95%

**EDUCATION (age 25+) ..... 126,532**  
 No High School Diploma.....9.44%  
 High School Graduate ..... 30.17%  
 Some College, no degree ..... 27.41%  
 Associate's Degree .....9.34%  
 Bachelor's Degree..... 10.85%  
 Master's Degree .....4.74%  
 Professional School Degree.....0.76%  
 Doctoral Degree.....0.38%

**WORKFORCE (age 16+ by occupation)**  
 Architect/Engineer .....3.06%  
 Arts/Entertain/Sports.....1.69%  
 Building Grounds Maint.....4.20%  
 Business Financial Ops.....2.67%  
 Community Soc Svcs .....2.64%  
 Computer/Mathematical.....1.55%  
 Construction/Extraction .....7.26%  
 Edu/Training/Library.....6.42%  
 Farm/Fish/Forestry.....0.39%  
 Food Prep/Serving .....4.51%  
 Health Practitioner/Tech.....6.99%  
 Healthcare Support.....2.62%  
 Maintenance Repair.....4.28%  
 Legal .....0.47%  
 Life/Phys/Soc Sociology.....0.46%  
 Management.....8.68%  
 Office/Admin Support ..... 12.02%  
 Production.....4.49%  
 Protective Services .....3.08%  
 Sales/Related ..... 10.41%  
 Personal Care/Service.....4.98%  
 Transportation/Moving.....7.15%

SOURCE: Claritas via Environics Analytics  
<https://en.environicsanalytics.ca/Spotlight>  
 \*\*Included zip codes are: 93534, 93535, & 93536



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**COMMUNITY TRENDS:**

To help meet the demand for trained aerospace manufacturing workers, the City continues to partner with Northrop Grumman, Antelope Valley College, LA County Workforce Development, Aging & Community Services, and JVS SoCal to offer customized training through the aircraft fabrication and assembly (AFAB) program.

**BUSINESS/COMMUNITY QUOTE**

“The decision was made to move to Palmdale in part because of the incredible view on the hill but, more importantly, because of the ease of working with the City and its leadership.”

*Richard Allen, CEO, Palmdale Regional Medical Center*

**PALMDALE'S COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE**

As those in the retail, manufacturing, aerospace, engineering and service industry sectors already know, Palmdale is well positioned to help pilot new opportunities for businesses, including those in the medical field.

Palmdale boasts a solid inventory of office space available for lease or purchase, raw land to build on, and a growing community that desires world-class health care. Perhaps that's why organizations such as Kaiser Permanente, Heritage Sierra Medical Group and Palmdale Regional Medical Center are among those who have chosen Palmdale to provide quality health care options for our residents.

Opportunities for growth abound in Palmdale. In particular, a medical hub anchored by Palmdale Regional Medical Center (PRMC), serves the region by providing high quality medical services to residents of the Antelope Valley, Santa Clarita Valley and surrounding communities. The hospital itself features 184 licensed acute care beds as well as inpatient and outpatient surgery, cardiac services featuring a STEMI Receiving Center (heart attack), a 35-bed 24-hour emergency department, and The Rehabilitation Institute – a 27-bed inpatient unit that provides rehabilitation for a wide range of conditions including stroke, brain injury/trauma, spinal cord injury and complex orthopedic issues.

Among its latest additions include the

opening of a new 33,000 square foot maternity labor and delivery unit to include 25 private patient rooms, six labor/delivery/recovery suites, two surgical suites, and a neonatal intensive care unit.

Located in close proximity to the hospital is a burgeoning array of medical offices, laboratories, pharmacies and ancillary businesses, with new spec buildings available, and plenty of land for new construction. Plans are in the works for the Oasis Wellness Village, a continuum of care that is proposed to be built adjacent to PRMC. The Oasis is a 420,000 square foot development project across more than 17.5 acres that includes multiple districts to promote health and wellness to provide the entire continuum of care, in addition to hospitality, retail and dining opportunities for Los Angeles County residents.

Palmdale's commitment to the good health of its residents was further advanced when the City joined forces with Antelope Valley Hospital to increase free access to exercise equipment through the creation of a National Fitness Court at Pelona Vista Park in Palmdale. The fitness court features 30 pieces of exercise equipment that allow for up to 28 people to use the court at the same time. The system features a series of full-body exercises that can be completed in just seven minutes.

When you add it all up, it just makes sense to grow your business in Palmdale!

**2019 OPENINGS:**

- La Palma Mexican Restaurant

- Trio Coffee House
- Pure Hearts R Us Housing Agency
- Social Chow Media
- Keller Williams Eastside
- Tarzana Treatment Center
- John Smith Subs
- World Food Market
- Bluefin Sushi
- Love Ramen
- Burger IM
- Firehouse Subs
- Brain Balance
- Keller Williams AV East Palmdale

**COMING SOON:**

- Sprouts
- Edwards Federal Credit Union
- Aldi's (East Palmdale)
- U.S. Tool Group

**SUCCESS STORIES:**

**Lockheed Martin** broke ground on a new 208,000 square foot hi-tech low bay advanced manufacturing facility. It is their first new building at the plant since the '80s. The facility will allow Lockheed Martin to integrate the use of AI, robotics, and other advanced technologies that help reduce costs, while incorporating advanced safety features.

**Palmdale's Paul George**, six-time NBA All-Star and current Los Angeles Clippers star, gave back to his hometown in a big way. Through his partnership with 2K Foundations and the Los Angeles Clippers, the basketball courts and backboards were refurbished and replaced at Marie Kerr, Courson, Desert Sands, and Domenic Massari parks. Two



Hometown hero Paul George.



Palmdale Regional Medical Center.



Sprouts.



**ABOVE:** Lockheed

community events celebrated these gifts, including a festival on Dec. 29, which was declared Paul George Day by the City Council. In addition to the newly refurbished existing courts at Massari, three new ones were added — another full court, a half court, and a youth court.

**US Tool Group** began construction on its new 30,000 square foot warehouse and office facility at Fairway Business Park near Ave. O east of 10th Street West. US Tool Group supplies the aerospace industry with specialized tools made of high-end metal that are used in manufacturing today's aircraft and space vehicles.

**Palmdale's crime rate dropped 9.35 percent** in the number of Part I crimes reported for all of 2018 resulting in a crime rate of 192 crimes per 10,000 population for the year. It marks the lowest crime rate in Palmdale in nearly a quarter of a century. Palmdale was also ranked the 44th safest city in the United States (population 50,000 and up) according to a recent study by SmartAsset.com.

**Extreme Makeover: Home Edition** came to Palmdale to film the construction of two homes in the 56-unit Homes 4 Families veterans housing project, located on the corner of Division St. and Ave. R. The homes were built for two local veterans and their families with the help of local volunteers and construction professionals who worked around the clock for a week. The episode is scheduled to air on HGTV in March.

**Palmdale ranked among the top 20 cities for millennial homeownership**, according to a report released by SmartAsset. Palmdale tied with Sioux Falls, SD for #4, for their millennial homeownership rate in 2018 and 10-year uptick in under-35 homeownership.

**Courson Arts Colony East and West**, located in the heart of Palmdale, opened as an affordable apartment community for artists, veterans, and families. The community features art-focused amenities such as a ground-floor art gallery, digital art space, flexible art creation space, dance studio, art paseo, outdoor amphitheater, and a swimming pool at nearby Courson Park.

## **BUSINESS / INDUSTRIAL PARKS:**

### **CHALLENGER BUSINESS PARK**

**Location:** Palmdale Blvd. and 5th St. West

**Total Acreage:** 10 acres

**Zoning:** Commercial

### **FAIRWAY BUSINESS PARK**

**Location:** Avenue O and Division St.

**Total Acreage:** 115 acres

**Zoning:** Business Park/Mixed

### **FREEWAY BUSINESS CENTER**

**Location:** State Highway 14 and Avenue N

**Total Acreage:** 115 acres

**Zoning:** Commercial

### **PALMDALE INDUSTRIAL PARK**

**Location:** Sierra Hwy. and Avenue M

**Total Acreage:** 400 acres

**Zoning:** Industrial

### **PALMDALE TRADE &**

### **COMMERCE CENTER**

**Location:** 10th St. West and Rancho Vista Blvd.

**Total Acreage:** 746 acres

**Zoning:** Industrial and Commercial

### **PARK ONE INDUSTRIAL PARK**

**Location:** Rancho Vista Blvd. and 10th St. East

**Total Acreage:** 10 acres

**Zoning:** Industrial and Commercial

### **SIERRA BUSINESS PARK**

**Location:** 10th St. West and Avenue M-4

**Total Acreage:** 30 acres

**Zoning:** Commercial

### **SIERRA GATEWAY PARK**

**Location:** Avenue O-8 and Sierra Hwy.

**Total Acreage:** 133 acres

**Zoning:** Commercial

## **CITY OF PALMDALE**

**2019 POPULATION** ..... **181,998**

(combined zip codes\*\*)

2010 Census Population ..... 164,054

2025 Projection ..... 190,980

**2019 CITY POPULATION (City Only)** ... **169,473**

2010 Census Population ..... 152,750

2025 Projection ..... 177,827

### **POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS**

Median Age ..... 32.29

Spanish Speaking ..... 41.18%

### **POPULATION BY ORIGIN**

Not Hispanic or Latino ..... 39.98%

Hispanic or Latino ..... 60.02%

### **POPULATION BY ORIGIN**

White Alone ..... 46.06%

Black or African American ..... 13.94%

American Indian / Alaska Native ..... 0.76%

Asian Alone ..... 4.42%

Native Hawaiian / other Pac. Islander ..... 0.20%

Some Other Race ..... 29.08%

Two or More Races ..... 5.55%

### **AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME** .... **\$85,565**

93550 ..... \$58,034

93551 ..... \$121,666

93552 ..... \$73,917

### **MEDIAN HOUSING**

93550 ..... \$225,781

93551 ..... \$427,315

93552 ..... \$261,391

Housing Units (estimate) ..... 50,264

Person per Household (avg.) ..... 3.62

Homeowners (avg.) ..... 69.08%

### **EDUCATION (age 25+)**

No High School Diploma ..... 11.47%

High School Graduate ..... 25.92%

Some College, no degree ..... 27.18%

Associate's Degree ..... 7.54%

Bachelor's Degree ..... 10.65%

Master's Degree ..... 3.99%

Professional School Degree ..... 0.88%

Doctoral Degree ..... 0.50%

### **WORKFORCE (16+ by Occupation)**

Architect/Engineer ..... 1.95%

Arts/Entertain/Sports ..... 1.34%

Building Grounds Maint. .... 4.98%

Business Financial Ops ..... 3.12%

Community Soc Svcs ..... 1.93%

Computer/Mathematical ..... 1.62%

Construction/Extraction ..... 7.64%

Edu/Training/Library ..... 4.94%

Farm/Fish/Forestry ..... 0.45%

Food Prep/Serving ..... 5.06%

Health Practitioner/Tech ..... 5.12%

Healthcare Support ..... 2.40%

Maintenance Repair ..... 4.41%

Legal ..... 0.47%

Life/Phys/Soc Sociology ..... 0.51%

Management ..... 6.96%

Office/Admin Support ..... 11.94%

Production ..... 7.13%

Protective Services ..... 2.96%

Sales/Related ..... 11.62%

Personal Care/Service ..... 5.35%

Transportation/Moving ..... 8.09%

Source: Claritas via Environics Analytics

<https://en.environicsanalytics.ca/Spotlight/>

\*\*Included Zip codes are: 93550, 93551, 93552

# KERN COUNTY

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- Zack Scrivner - District 2
- Mike Maggard - District 3
- David Couch - District 4
- Leticia Perez - District 5

**ASSISTANT COUNTY**

**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:**  
Teresa Hitchcock  
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**COMMUNITY TRENDS:**

Kern County's population continues to grow. It is projected that the total population will reach nearly 1.8 million by 2060. The State of California Employment Development Department projected Kern County's industry employment to reach 391,800 by 2024, with educational services, health care, and social assistance contributing to the largest projected non-farm job growth. Two other growing industries in Kern County include professional and business services, as well as leisure and hospitality.

**BUSINESS/COMMUNITY QUOTE**

"We are proud to collaborate with an organization that does an exceptional job in promoting our East Kern communities like California City, Tehachapi, Ridgecrest, the entire Indian Wells Valley, Mojave, and Rosamond. The partnership between Kern County and the Greater Antelope Valley Economic Alliance is critical in advancing our economic development strategy in a region that is so innovative and business-friendly."

- Mick Gleason, 1st District Supervisor

**2019 MILESTONES:**

**Aerospace** - Stratolaunch Flies World's largest Plane for the first time. The plane was built for Stratolaunch by Scaled Composites, the Mojave-based aerospace company that also built SpaceShipOne, the first commercial suborbital spacecraft.



**Recreation** - Kern County officials have applied for a state grant to completely rebuild the parks, Mojave West and Mojave East. Which is located on O Street next to Mojave Junior Senior High School. The Grant will fund a complete rebuilding of the popular park. Which includes a meeting room, county library, and Little League Ball Field maintained by community volunteers.

**Energy** - East Kern County's unparalleled renewable energy portfolio continues to expand as 8Minute Solar Energy and Capital Dynamics celebrated the completion of the Springbok Cluster. The project will generate enough electricity to power more than 150,000 homes in the Los Angeles area.

**Boundless & Better** - Kern County has unveiled their new brand! This regional branding initiative involved the County, the City of Bakersfield, Kern EDC, and the Greater Bakersfield Chamber.



Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) Grand Opening of their new regional operations base, office & training facility.



Springbok 3 Solar Farm Grand Opening.





# MOJAVE

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## ACCESSIBLE, AFFORDABLE AND AVAILABLE

**Mojave is in the middle of everywhere**, strategically located 90 miles north of the richest, most vital market in the world - the Los Angeles/Orange County region.

Mojave is connected to that busy market by a major freeway, two of the nation's biggest railroads, and to it and the world by an airport able to handle any aircraft flying — including the world's largest aircraft, the giant Stratolaunch aircraft built and flown

from the runways of the Mojave Air & Space Port.

**Connected to the Universe** - Rocket engines being developed at the airport/ spaceport are tested at one of the world's busiest rocket engine test facilities, which is being expanded to handle increased operations.

**Connected to the Earth** - Golden Queen Mining on historic Soledad Mountain mines gold, silver, and aggregates using modern technology and a workforce of more than 200 skilled employees.

Cement to help build Southern California is mined by CalPortland Cement while clean renewable energy from wind and solar power keep businesses and industries in Southern California humming

### 2019 POPULATION ESTIMATE

(93501 Zip Code)	<b>6,097</b>
2010 Census Population	5,639
2024 Projection	6,355

### POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS

Median Age	33.6
Spanish Speaking	34.06%

### POPULATION BY ORIGIN

Not Hispanic or Latino	56.81%
Hispanic or Latino	43.19%

### POPULATION BY ORIGIN

White Alone	52.50%
Black or African American	16.52%
American Indian / Alaska Native	1.38%

Asian Alone	1.41%
Native Hawaiian / other Islander	0.33%
Some Other Race	22.08%
Two or More Races	5.79%

### AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME

93501	\$54,036
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### MEDIAN HOUSING

93501	\$144,756
Housing Units	2,189
Person per Household (avg.)	2.67
Homeowners (avg.)	54.04%

### EDUCATION

No High School Diploma	16.37%
High School Graduate	33.16%

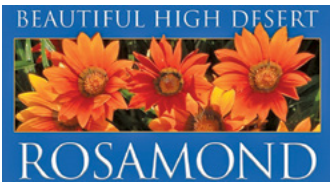
Some College, no degree	25.94%
Associate's Degree	5.78%
Bachelor's Degree	7.38%
Master's Degree	2.01%
Professional School Degree	0.44%
Doctoral Degree	0.10%

### WORKFORCE (16+ by Occupation)

Architect/Engineer	1.02%
Arts/Entertain/Sports	1.14%
Building Grounds Maint	6.82%
Business Financial Ops	1.19%
Community Soc Svcs	2.33%
Computer/Mathematical	4.55%
Construction/Extraction	12.50%
Edu/Training/Library	3.29%

Farm/Fish/Forestry	1.02%
Food Prep/Serving	5.51%
Health Practitioner/Tech	1.59%
Healthcare Support	2.39%
Maintenance Repair	4.38%
Legal	0.17%
Life/Phys/Soc Sociology	0.63%
Management	4.55%
Office/Admin Support	8.47%
Production	7.84%
Protective Services	2.84%
Sales/Related	9.60%
Personal Care/Service	10.11%
Transportation/Moving	8.07%

\*\* Zip Code for Mojave is 93501; SOURCE: Claritas via Environics Analytics <https://en.environicsanalytics.ca/Spotlight>



# ROSAMOND

### REPRESENTATIVE ORGANIZATIONS:

Rosamond Community Services District: 661.256.3411  
[RosamondCSD.com](http://RosamondCSD.com)

Rosamond Municipal Advisory Council:  
[KernCounty.com/bos/boards/Rosamond\\_mac.aspx](http://KernCounty.com/bos/boards/Rosamond_mac.aspx)

Rosamond Chamber of Commerce:  
661.256.3248 [RosamondChamber.org](http://RosamondChamber.org)

**Rosamond, CA.** is a census-designated place (CDP) in Kern County, California, USA, near the Los Angeles county line, 20 miles north of Palmdale, 13 miles south of Mojave and rests at an elevation of 2342 feet. Rosamond is the western gateway to Edwards Air Force base. According to the Census Bureau, the CDP has a total of 52.3 square miles. Two unique assets of Rosamond are the Rosamond Skypark airport, featuring a 3,600' paved runway and Willow Springs Raceway, host to a variety of motor racing events year-round.

<b>2019 POPULATION ESTIMATE **</b>	
.....	<b>20,475</b>
2010 Census Population	18,868
2024 Projection	21,486

### POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS

Median Age	33.8
Spanish Speaking	22.57%

### POPULATION BY ETHNICITY

Not Hispanic or Latino	60.24%
Hispanic	39.76%

### POPULATION BY SINGLE CLASSIFICATION

White Alone	54.68%
Black or African American	8.67%

American Indian / Alaska Native	1.16%
Asian Alone	3.93%
Native Hawaiian/other Islander	0.36%
Some Other Race	23.56%
Two or More Races	7.64%

### AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME

93560	\$77,627
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### HOUSING - 2019 Estimate

Median Housing (Dec. 2018)	
(CoreLogic/ RealQuest.com)	\$252,000
Housing Units	6,919
Person per Household (avg.)	2.96
Owner-Occupied	68.13%

<b>EDUCATION</b> (age 25+)	12,962
No High School Diploma	13.29%

High School Graduate	26.90%
Some College, no degree	27.51%
Associate's Degree	11.18%
Bachelor's Degree	9.42%
Master's Degree	4.16%
Professional School Degree	0.96%
Doctoral Degree	0.26%

### WORKFORCE (16+ by Occupation) ..... 7,976

Architect/Engineer	3.69%
Arts/Entertain/Sports	0.93%
Building Grounds Maint	5.40%
Business Financial Ops	3.41%
Community Soc Svcs	0.96%
Computer/Mathematical	3.21%

Construction/Extraction	8.56%
Edu/Training/Library	4.44%
Farm/Fish/Forestry	0.68%
Food Prep/Serving	6.77%
Health Practitioner/Tech	6.28%
Healthcare Support	1.35%
Maintenance Repair	8.44%
Legal	0.15%
Life/Phys/Soc Sociology	0.01%
Management	10.36%
Office/Admin Support	13.65%
Production	5.12%
Protective Services	2.66%
Sales/Related	6.06%
Personal Care/Service	2.01%
Transportation/Moving	5.87%

\*\* Rosamond Zip Code is 93560; SOURCE: Claritas via Environics Analytics <https://en.environicsanalytics.ca/Spotlight>

California City ❖ 21000 Hacienda Blvd.  
California City, CA 93505 ❖ 760.373.8661

**ELECTED OFFICIALS**

**MAYOR:**

Charles McGuire

**MAYOR PRO TEM:**

Gene Stump

**COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Tami Johnson

Don Parris

Dr. Nicholas Lessenevitch

**CITY MANAGER:**

Anna Linn

**BUSINESS/COMMUNITY QUOTE**

“We are within a two hour drive of world class museums, entertainment, shopping and beaches to the south, or the incredible High Sierras to the north. One of the gems of the state park system is just twenty minutes to the north. California City, with its clean air and water, low traffic, low cost of living and endless vistas, recreation and nature outside the backdoor, is an amazing place to live and conduct business in.”

- Alexia Svejda, Kern County Economic Development Specialist

**FIVE UNIQUE THINGS ABOUT CALIFORNIA CITY:**

- 350 days of sunshine with low humidity
- Easy access from HWY's 14, 58, and 395.
- 203 square miles in City boundaries, 3rd largest city in California, 17th largest city in the United States.
- Have welcomed a new industry and have legalized Cannabis
- 2019 was 3rd year as Home to the semi-pro baseball team called the California City Whiptails

**UNIQUE AND EXTRAORDINARY QUALITY OF LIFE ASSETS:**

- Clean air and water
- Low traffic
- “Backyard” access to boundless nature
- Professional Indy Baseball
- World class birding
- Butte Bagging
- OHV haven
- Miles of roads for wildflower viewing
- Red Rock Canyon State Park just 20 min north



Alberto's ground breaking.



Blvd Expresso & Drive-Thru Dairy ground breaking.



**2019 MILESTONES:**

**Bringing Natural Gas to California City Pilot Program**

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) has approved our pilot program to bring affordable, clean and renewable natural gas to households in California City. This pilot program will convert up to 224 households' currently using wood and propane for heating to cleaner and more affordable natural gas by installing natural gas lines and new home appliances - all at no cost to the residents.

Eligible households in close proximity to existing natural gas pipelines have already been identified and will be contacted by a pilot representative in coming months. Construction is expected to start in the first quarter of 2020, with household conversion occurring in the second or third quarter of 2020.

**(CBD) Core Business Development & (CCC Distro) Cannabis Distribution Transportation**

Started their recruitment process for office administration, Inventory and Transportation.  
www.cbdcacity.com | www.cccdistro.com

**Chalk Walk in California City**

The California City Arts Commission invited the community to their first Chalk Walk.

**Alberto's franchise opening in California City**

20 positions were filled by local residents.

**East Kern Health Care District**

The East Kern Health Care District was established in 1977 to serve the East Kern communities. The District provides property management for four medical facilities in California City. The District continues to explore expansion of medical services to meet the medical needs of the East Kern communities. The East Kern Health Care District manages a Cancer Assistance Fund, with generous donations from the community, which is to meet financial needs of patients while they undergo cancer treatments.



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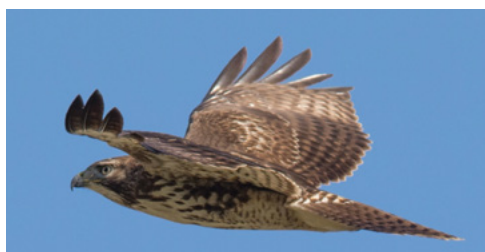
## **DID YOU KNOW?**

**California City, where there is room to exhale!**

**We are in the middle of two state parks, Red Rock Canyon and Tomo-Kahni.**

The closest park, just 17 miles to the north via Neuralia Road, is Red Rock Canyon. Red Rock has something to offer anyone. Drive up to or take a serious hike to the amazing cliffs and rock formations that have been shaped by time. No matter what time of year you visit, there is desert life to discover.

**California City provides a slower pace of living and is less than two hours away from Los Angeles.**



**South, within roughly an hour drive, in the Antelope Valley, are four parks to choose from.**

**California City is the home of the Desert Tortoise Natural Area.**

Desert Tortoises find refuge in this reserve and emerge from their burrows in spring and fall. While visiting follow interpretive trails to learn about the plants and animals that make our desert home

**With the California dry weather, there is year round play a round at the par 72 Tierra del Sol course or at the Par 3.**



### CALIFORNIA CITY

**2020 POPULATION** ..... 15,268  
(combined zip codes)\*\*

2010 Census Population ..... 13,789  
2025 Projection ..... 16,092

**2020 CITY POPULATION (City Only)** .... 15,760  
2010 Census Population ..... 1,4120  
2025 Projection ..... 16,614

#### POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS

Median Age ..... 34.38  
Spanish Speaking..... 24.16%

#### POPULATION BY ORIGIN

Not Hispanic or Latino..... 59.46%  
Hispanic or Latino ..... 40.54%

#### POPULATION BY ORIGIN

White Alone..... 54.23%  
Black or African American ..... 19.02%  
American Indian / Alaska Native .....0.94%  
Asian Alone .....2.63%  
Native Hawaiian / other Pac. Islander.....0.37%  
Some Other Race ..... 16.19%  
Two or More Races .....6.61%

#### AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME

93505 .....\$54,355

#### MEDIAN HOUSING

93505 ..... \$119,434  
Housing Units (estimate) ..... 4,806  
Person per Household (avg.) .....2.79  
Homeowners (avg.) ..... 60.80%

#### EDUCATION (age 25+)

No High School Diploma..... 15.69%  
High School Graduate ..... 33.13%  
Some College, no degree ..... 27.93%  
Associate's Degree .....6.32%  
Bachelor's Degree.....6.59%  
Master's Degree.....3.83%  
Professional School Degree.....0.12%  
Doctoral Degree.....0.17%

#### WORKFORCE (16+ by Occupation)

Architect/Engineer ..... 1.59%  
Arts/Entertain/Sports .....2.30%  
Building Grounds Maint.....5.64%  
Business Financial Ops .....0.69%  
Community Soc Svcs .....0.36%  
Computer/Mathematical .....2.82%  
Construction/Extraction .....6.38%  
Edu/Training/Library.....6.19%  
Farm/Fish/Forestry .....0.62%  
Food Prep/Serving .....5.07%  
Health Practitioner/Tech.....2.20%  
Healthcare Support.....2.77%  
Maintenance Repair.....6.16%  
Legal .....0.33%  
Life/Phys/Soc Sociology.....0.43%  
Management.....11.47%  
Office/Admin Support ..... 10.07%  
Production.....4.58%  
Protective Services .....6.71%  
Sales/Related ..... 10.31%  
Personal Care/Service.....6.92%  
Transportation/Moving.....6.40%

SOURCE: Claritas via Environics Analytics  
<https://en.environicsanalytics.ca/Spotlight>

\*\*California City Zip code is 93505

# TEHACHAPI

Tehachapi City Hall ❖ 115 S. Robinson Street  
Tehachapi, CA 93561 ❖ 661.822.2200

## ELECTED OFFICIALS

### MAYOR:

Susan Wiggins

### MAYOR PRO TEM:

Phil Smith

### COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Michael Davies

Joan Pogon-Cord

## CITY MANAGER

Greg Garrett

661.822.2200 x105

## ECONOMIC

### DEVELOPMENT

### COORDINATOR:

Corey Costelloe

661.822.2200 x121

## COMMUNITY TRENDS:

Tehachapi continues to contribute to Healthcare being the fastest-growing job sector in Kern County with services provided by Adventist Health, Dignity Health and Kaiser Permanente.

Tehachapi is getting younger with 53% of the population within the 25-54 year old age range according to May 2019 HDL Community Survey.

Tehachapi's trade area is expanding. New major retailers, consumers from surrounding areas are shopping in Tehachapi increasing consumer population served by City businesses up to 70,000.

## BUSINESS/COMMUNITY QUOTE

This community has done something few others would — it committed to building and opening a state-of-the-art hospital in a rural town, helping to increase health access for all for generations to come.

--Jeff Lingerfelt, CEO, Adventist Health Tehachapi Valley

The City of Tehachapi has attracted four major health care providers in the last few years including, Adventist Health, which in November of 2018 opened the new \$100 million Adventist Health Tehachapi Valley Hospital. With this investment in our community, they helped attract Dignity Health, the second largest hospital health care provider in California and sparked expansions from Kaiser Permanente and Omni Family Health who have been the wonderful partners in our community.

Tehachapi residents had grown used to traveling outside of the area for medical care, from hospital ER visits to general practice visits. With these new options locally, less miles are being traveled for basic care, emergency needs, operations and other general surgeries. With these services now available locally, more companies, developers and residents are comfortable moving to Tehachapi as we are experiencing the best local health care options ever in our community. Our advantage in the medical field is potential, with solid operators already in place, the potential for growth for other practices and medical offerings are endless.

The Capital Hills area, near the hospital has several available parcels zoned appropriately for medical care facilities, as you see in many communities, physician's offices and specialty care practices often develop around hospital campuses. We believe this potential and the availability of land and residents needing services gives Tehachapi a competitive advantage for the medical field. Additionally, the cost of living and quality of

life attributes are conducive for the medical field and the employees who work in those facilities.

## 2019 MILESTONES:

**In August 2019, the long-awaited Tehachapi Walmart Superstore opened** to record crowds and sales. The facility was a 14-year development process and employs over 200 people.

**Dignity Health officially opened their new Tehachapi clinic.** Dignity is the fifth largest health provider in the nation and the largest hospital provider in California. The family practice clinic offers care six days a week and walk-in services.

**World Wind and Solar completed the renovation of their headquarters** and training center at 228 W. Tehachapi Blvd. The building was the oldest commercial structure in Tehachapi and the new purpose brings a corporation and daytime activity, trainees and clients to Downtown Tehachapi on a daily basis.

**New Housing Introduced.** The planned development process for 'Sage Ranch' and 'The Address' a pair of new housing developments were presented to the Planning Commission. The master-planned communities include over 1000-unit new housing units with a variety of housing types and offerings. Each will release their environmental impact report in 2020.

**Eleven new businesses celebrated grand openings** in the City of Tehachapi in 2019. While over 100 businesses filed for new business licenses in 2019, several attributed to multiple construction projects in the area.

**Kern Schools Federal Credit Union** announced plans to build a new stand alone branch on an outparcel located on Tehachapi Blvd. at the edge of the Walmart shopping center.

**Tehachapi Neighborhood Improvement Project** was launched and produced amazing results in targeted area. This initiative which includes the City's economic development, community engagement and police departments along with community volunteers utilized two neighborhood



*Buddy and Nikki Cummings purchased the oldest commercial structure in Downtown Tehachapi and renovated it to serve as the headquarters and training center for World Wind & Solar.*

cleanup days as well as code and law enforcement efforts to make a noticeable difference in the community reducing crime and raising property values.

**Local Aerospace Expansion: Sierra Technical Services,** the local defense contractor finished production of its first MGAT 5 military target drone and landed additional contracts for other products, expanding the hiring and operation at Tehachapi Municipal Airport. Additionally, Adaptive Aerospace relocated a series of offices in unincorporated Kern County to a large facility on Bailey Avenue in the City of Tehachapi. This company completes retrofitting and renovation of large commercial aircraft.

**Downtown Renovation Continues:** Work was completed on the new Lucky's Barbershop and Tehachapi Academy of Dramatic Arts building on Green and 'E' Streets. The former doctor's office building was renovated with new modern architecture to house two great downtown businesses. Local contractor Ryan Beauchamp, who previously remodeled the Kern County Library downtown spearheaded the project.



*In its first year of operation, Adventist Health Tehachapi Valley exceeded service expectations and expanded to general, orthopedic, vascular, gastrointestinal, pulmonary and podiatry procedures, performing over 100 procedures since opening in November of 2018.*



The long-awaited Tehachapi Walmart opened in August of 2019 to lines filing out the door, which exceeded expectations in sales. The store provides jobs for over 200 employees and cuts into Tehachapi's retail leakage by offering more general merchandise and groceries.



Tehachapi sunrise.

## CITY OF TEHACHAPI

<b>2019 POPULATION</b> .....	<b>38,056</b>
(combined zip codes)*	
2010 Census Population .....	35,213
2025 Projection .....	39,789
<b>2019 CITY POPULATION (City Only)</b> ....	<b>14,663</b>
2010 Census Population .....	14,414
2025 Projection .....	15,094

### POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS

Median Age .....	38.73
Spanish Speaking.....	17.65%

### POPULATION BY ORIGIN

Not Hispanic or Latino.....	73.58%
Hispanic or Latino .....	26.42%

### POPULATION BY ORIGIN

White Alone.....	78.74%
Black or African American .....	3.06%
American Indian / Alaska Native .....	1.51%
Asian Alone .....	1.88%
Native Hawaiian / other Pac. Islander.....	0.15%
Some Other Race .....	11.08%
Two or More Races .....	3.59%

### AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME .... \$77,617

93531 .....	\$85,018
93561 .....	\$77,498

### MEDIAN HOUSING

93531 .....	\$296,736
93561 .....	\$276,725
Housing Units (2019 estimate) .....	12,218
Person per Household (avg.) .....	2.68
Homeowners (avg.) .....	73.74%

### EDUCATION (age 25+)

No High School Diploma.....	10.28%
High School Graduate .....	28.67%
Some College, no degree .....	28.30%
Associate's Degree .....	10.29%
Bachelor's Degree.....	11.04%
Master's Degree.....	4.37%
Professional School Degree.....	1.21%
Doctoral Degree.....	0.89%

### WORKFORCE (16+ by Occupation)

Architect/Engineer .....	2.02%
Arts/Entertain/Sports.....	1.38%
Building Grounds Maint.....	4.14%
Business Financial Ops.....	2.18%
Community Soc Svcs .....	2.75%
Computer/Mathematical.....	2.06%
Construction/Extraction .....	4.97%
Edu/Training/Library.....	7.01%
Farm/Fish/Forestry.....	2.63%
Food Prep/Serving .....	6.91%
Health Practitioner/Tech.....	4.68%
Healthcare Support.....	2.46%
Maintenance Repair.....	5.82%
Legal .....	0.49%
Life/Phys/Soc Sociology.....	1.15%
Management.....	7.70%
Office/Admin Support .....	10.55%
Production.....	5.46%
Protective Services .....	8.91%
Sales/Related .....	8.27%
Personal Care/Service.....	4.30%
Transportation/Moving.....	4.17%

SOURCE: Claritas via Environics Analytics  
<https://en.enviroicsanalytics.ca/Spotlight>

\*Zip Codes of Greater Tehachapi include: 93531, 93561

### Building Permits

*There was over \$14 million in permitted construction in the City of Tehachapi in 2019. By comparison there was \$20 million in 2018 with \$10 million credited to Walmart.*

## BUSINESS / INDUSTRIAL PARKS:

### BAILEY COURT INDUSTRIAL PARK

**Location:** Tehachapi Blvd./Bailey Court

**Total Acreage:** 25 Acres

**Zoned:** M-1

### TEHACHAPI AIRPORT

#### INDUSTRIAL PARK

**Location:** 411 N. Green Street

**Total Acreage:** 2 Acres

**Zoned:** M-1

### ENTERPRISE WAY/

#### INDUSTRIAL PARKWAY

**Location:** Enterprise Way and Industrial Parkway

**Total Acreage:** 3 Acres

**Zoned:** M-1

### GOODRICK BUSINESS

#### PARK (COUNTY)

**Location:** Dennison Road/Goodrick Rd

**Total Acreage:** 110 Acres

**Zoned:** Light Industrial/Mixed

### Real Estate

*In 2019 the median home sales price in the City of Tehachapi increased 7% to \$269,500. In the greater Tehachapi area the median sales price rose 4% to \$295,000. Each area continues to experience manageable growth and price increase.*

**Main Street Tehachapi Celebrates 20 Years: Main Street Tehachapi**, created as the redevelopment agency for Downtown Tehachapi in 1999, continues as a strong advocate and non-profit organization for Tehachapi's downtown business owners. Despite the removal of redevelopment agencies by the State of California, Main Street Tehachapi continues their work today, hosting special events and supporting downtown businesses with façade improvements and advocacy.

### SUCCESS STORIES:

**Safest City in Kern County:** The City of Tehachapi was awarded 'Safest City' designation by the National Council for Home Safety and Security. It was the highest ranking Kern County City.

**Energy Sector Growth:** Tehachapi is on the leading edge of Kern County's fastest-growing sector, renewable energy. Companies such as World Wind & Solar along with Airstreams Renewables call the City of Tehachapi home.

### BUSINESS AND INDUSTRIAL EFFORTS:

Tehachapi saw the groundbreaking for the new Towneplace Suites by Marriott located in Capital Hills near the new Adventist Health Tehachapi Valley Hospital. This area has several available parcels that are attracting new interest and development with the business generated by the new hospital. Additionally, the expansion of our small aerospace and defense companies continue with new contracts being awarded to Tehachapi's Sierra Technical Services as well as the relocation of Adaptive Aerospace from unincorporated Kern County to a new campus in the Bailey Avenue industrial area in the City of Tehachapi. Western Propane broke ground on their new industrial building and storage facility on J Street.

City of Ridgecrest ❖ 100 W. California Ave.  
Ridgecrest, CA 93555 ❖ 760.499.5000

<b>ELECTED OFFICIALS:</b>	<b>COUNCILMEMBERS:</b>
<b>MAYOR:</b> Peggy Breeden	Mike Mower Scott Hayman
<b>MAYOR PRO TEM:</b> Lindsey Stevens	<b>CITY MANAGER:</b> Ronald Strand 760.499.5001

## COMMUNITY TRENDS:

Through a broad approach that addresses opportunities; services; industry; and quality of life, Ridgecrest is committed to prompting smart and responsible growth within our City that highlights the unique character of our diverse community.

## BUSINESS/COMMUNITY QUOTE

“Dealing with the City of Ridgecrest for our 16 acre Oasis Lifestyle Center has been a breath of fresh air. They have been receptive, encouraging, and helpful every step of the way. Since the project planning includes a 65,000 square foot entertainment center which includes a theater, bowling alley, food service and game rooms, there were numerous details that we have had to address and we couldn’t be more pleased!”

## RIDGECREST COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE

Ridgecrest Regional Hospital provides much of the medical care for our community. The hospital is a small integrated healthcare system that includes an acute care hospital, emergency room, six multi-specialty medical clinics, skilled nursing facilities, home health and hospice, and ambulance services. In addition the hospital believes part of its mission is keeping our community healthy so they offer programs for seniors, adults and children such as free exercise classes for seniors, various support groups for adults and health and nutrition education for kids, amongst others. RRH also provides several educational programs for staff and community members as part of their mission as well. The hospital is a community-based, non-profit employing 980 staff.

### 2019 MILESTONES:

- In a response to concern re: the lack of appropriate housing options for new professionals, the City is continuing dialogue with developers looking to build multi-family apartment complexes and single family homes.
- The City is continuing to work with Holiday Inn Express (plans have been approved) as well as TownePlace Suites by Marriott in an effort to increase hospitality services within Ridgecrest.
- Ridgecrest continues to encourage retail growth and potential anchor opportunities to strengthen current

negotiating with a handful of national fast-casual restaurants.

- Ridgecrest remains committed to encouraging retail growth and actively worked with Wingstop to assist with answers/solutions during plan check. Wingstop opened on September 23, 2019.
- Chipotle, a national fast-food casual restaurant, conducted a site visit in Ridgecrest and approved the trade area moving the restaurant closer to a future site commitment at one of two locations.
- The City continues to have on-going conversations to secure commitments with Panda Express and Panera Bread to open locations in Ridgecrest. Both are actively considering two locations.
- Grocery Outlet Bargain Market is currently negotiating a lease with a local shopping Center and is working with the City in order to answer questions that may arise during project operations.
- In a continued push to encourage more entertainment establishments, the City is actively working with the Oasis at China Lake to assist in all aspects of future economic development at the center.
- Oasis at China Lake is projected to feature a state-of-the-art movie theatre complex, eight-lane bowling alley along with a selection of office spaces and a number of retail shopping stores.
- After the 6.4 and 7.1 earthquakes, Ridgecrest continues to be actively engaged in dialogue with California Gov. Gavin Newsom, California Senator Dianne Feinstein, and House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-23) to secure funding for the modernization of NAWC in order to ensure the continued economic success of the Naval installation at China Lake and



Inside the new location of the China Lake Naval Museum of Armament and Technology in Ridgecrest, China Lake Museum Foundation members (from left to right) Laura Hickle, Dr. Bob Smith, and Bob Campbell stand in front of a display devoted to the early days of Naval Ordinance Test Station (NOTS) - China Lake. NOTS was established by the Navy in November of 1943 and serves as a precursor to what would eventually become Naval Air Weapons Station (NAWS) – China Lake.

Photo by Laura Austin/News Review.

more than twelve (12) Technology World firsts while contributing to roughly 86% of the Indian Wells Valley Economy.

Naval Air Weapons Station – China Lake employs more than 5,400 military, civilian and contractors with an average growth of more than 150 Scientists and Engineers per year with a net increase over the last four (4) years. China Lake has received \$1.78 Billion new orders for 2018 with an annual pay roll of over \$500 million, bringing in between 15,000 – 30,000 annual business travelers helping to bring in \$1.2 billion in regional economic activity.

## SUCCESS STORIES:

With its unique relationship to Naval Air Weapons Station – China Lake, Ridgecrest has always shared in the Navy’s mission and strove to maintain the area’s rich history of aviation superiority. Along with that history China Lake continues to lead in National Defense and is internationally recognized for



Kids (and grownups) hula-hoop in Freedom Park on Ridgecrest Police Department's National Night Out. Photo by Jessica Weston/Daily Independent

# RIDGECREST COMMUNITY BUILDING

## SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER



Elected officials, Ridgecrest Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors, city staff and senior center employees and guests cut the ribbon in honor of renovations to the Ridgecrest Senior Citizens Center on March 5, 2019. Photo by Jessica Weston/Daily Independent.



A crowd gathered at the 5th annual Ridgecrest Petroglyph Festival, a celebration and performances honoring Native American Heritage Month. This year's festival drew in nearly 10,000 attendees over a 3 day period with eighty (80) vendors and ten (10) workshops. Photo by Laura Austin/News Review

**BUSINESS / INDUSTRIAL PARKS:**

**RIDGECREST BUSINESS PARK**  
**Location:** China Lake and Ward Ave  
**Total Acreage:** 63 acres  
**Zoning:** Professional/Light Industrial

**RIDGECREST INDUSTRIAL PARK**  
**Location:** West Ridgecrest  
**Total Acreage:** 81 acres  
**Zoning:** Light Industrial/Mixed

**INYO KERN:**  
**Location:** Inyokern Airport Industrial District  
**Total Acreage:** 40 acres  
**Zoning:** Light Industrial/Mixed

### A Message from AltaOne's CEO

AltaOne family and I want to thank you for your continued support. As I begin my third year as credit union leader, I am continuously reminded about how special the credit union movement is. This year emphasized that we must be more than a financial institution to our members. We have evolved to not only be your Choice but to be the "Community's Partner". Our goal for 2020 is to partner with the community to create solutions for assisting our members in realizing their financial goals and objectives with a focus on improving our services and products to best fit your personal objectives. We look forward to working with you to "help us help you" in 2020!

Seasons Greetings,  
 Pam Easley  
 AltaOne Federal Credit Union



## CITY OF RIDGECREST

<b>2019 POPULATION</b> .....	<b>33,848</b>
(combined zip codes)**	
2010 Census Population .....	32,936
2025 Projection .....	34,527
<b>2019 CITY POPULATION (City Only)</b> ....	<b>28,429</b>
2010 Census Population .....	27,616
2025 Projection .....	28,967
<b>POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS</b>	
Median Age .....	36.64
Spanish Speaking.....	13.01%
<b>POPULATION BY ORIGIN</b>	
Not Hispanic or Latino.....	78.53%
Hispanic or Latino .....	21.47%
<b>POPULATION BY ORIGIN</b>	
White Alone.....	74.28%
Black or African American .....	3.89%
American Indian / Alaska Native .....	1.39%
Asian Alone .....	4.34%
Native Hawaiian / other Pac. Islander.....	0.48%
Some Other Race .....	8.64%
Two or More Races .....	6.98%
<b>AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME</b>	
93555 .....	\$78,934
<b>MEDIAN HOUSING</b>	
93555 .....	\$203,159
Housing Units (estimate) .....	13,388
Person per Household (avg.) .....	2.52
Homeowners (avg.) .....	64.37%
<b>EDUCATION (age 25+)</b>	
No High School Diploma.....	8.37%
High School Graduate .....	24.18%
Some College, no degree .....	26.50%
Associate's Degree .....	10.54%
Bachelor's Degree.....	18.32%
Master's Degree.....	6.80%
Professional School Degree.....	0.80%
Doctoral Degree.....	0.71%
<b>WORKFORCE (16+ by Occupation)</b>	
Architect/Engineer .....	7.62%
Arts/Entertain/Sports.....	3.05%
Building Grounds Maint.....	3.55%
Business Financial Ops.....	4.99%
Community Soc Svcs .....	1.72%
Computer/Mathematical.....	6.17%
Construction/Extraction .....	5.50%
Edu/Training/Library.....	4.11%
Farm/Fish/Forestry.....	0.30%
Food Prep/Serving .....	5.28%
Health Practitioner/Tech.....	3.96%
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Management.....	9.53%
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Protective Services .....	2.17%
Sales/Related .....	7.49%
Personal Care/Service.....	5.46%
Transportation/Moving.....	5.72%
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**Zip code of Ridgecrest is 93555	

# COST OF LIVING INDEX

## REGIONAL COST COMPARISONS ACROSS THE STATE

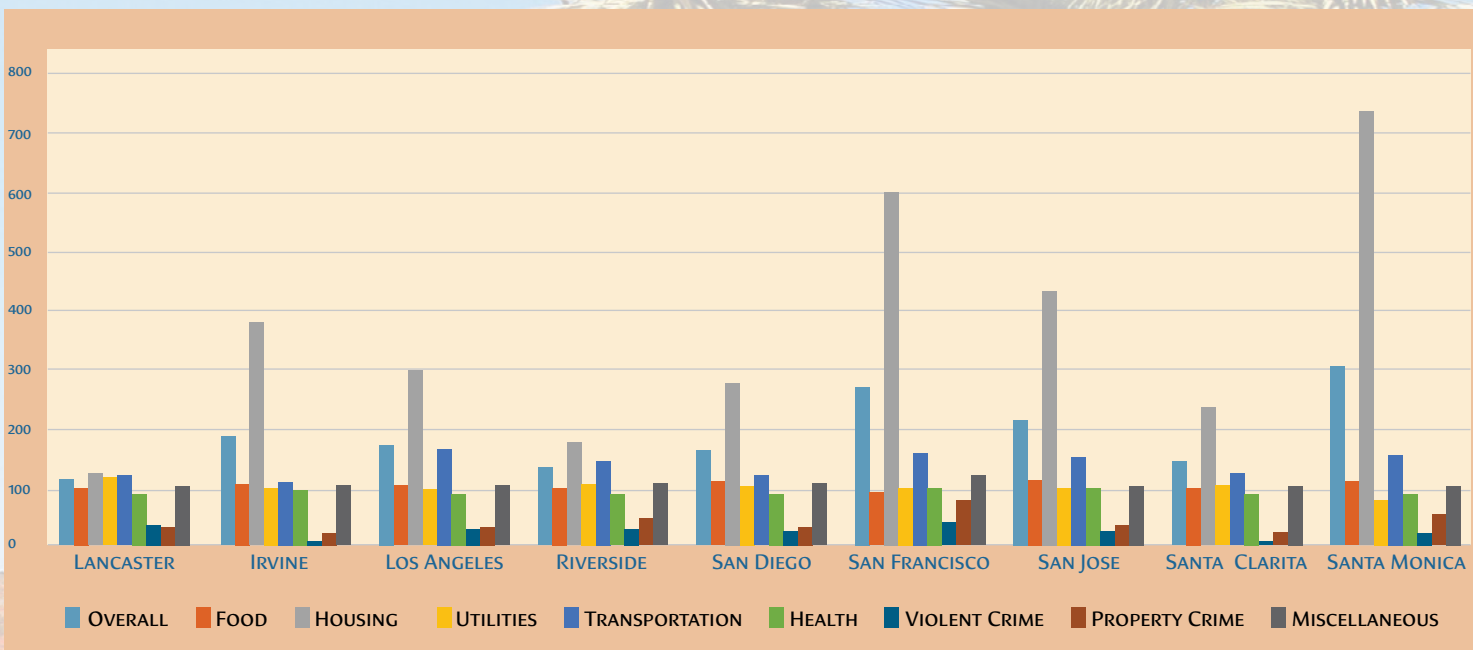
Lancaster is 139.0% less expensive than San Francisco.  
 San Francisco housing costs are 375.4% more expensive than Lancaster housing costs.  
 Health related expenses are 12.2% less in Lancaster.



### Cost Of Living Index/Comparison

	LANCASTER	IRVINE	LOS ANGELES	RIVERSIDE	SAN DIEGO	SAN FRANCISCO	SAN JOSE	SANTA CLARITA	SANTA MONICA
OVERALL	112.7	187.1	173.3	133.1	160.01	269.3	214.5	147.1	304.5
FOOD	98.5	105.6	104.1	100.4	109.7	116.6	113.7	101.9	111.4
HOUSING	125.4	373.9	298.2	176.9	279.1	596.2	433.9	235.8	734.7
UTILITIES	115.8	98.3	93.7	106	102.8	97.5	96.8	105.5	80.8
TRANSPORTATION	119.2	111.0	165.3	146.1	120.2	158.2	151.0	124.7	154.8
HEALTH	89.4	95.9	89.4	87.8	89.0	100.3	100.5	98.4	89.4
VIOLENT CRIME	36.5	8.9	29.1	28.7	24.4	39.6	25.0	11.9	21.7
PROPERTY CRIME	33.4	22.6	35.1	46.7	31.4	79.2	36.5	22.2	56.9
MISCELLANEOUS	104.9	104.8	104.5	105.6	105.6	120.5	104.8	104.9	103.9

100 = US Average. (Below 100 means cheaper than the US average. Above 100 means more expensive.)



## FOREIGN TRADE ZONE

Federally-designated Foreign Trade Zones are U.S. Customs and Border Protection-approved locations where companies can engage in special procedures to help encourage U.S. activity by delaying or reducing duty payments on foreign merchandise.

### BENEFITS:

- **Duty Deferral:** May avoid paying duties on imported merchandise;
- **Inverted Tariffs/Duty Reduction:** Users may lower duty rates on goods produced;
- **Weekly Entries:** Customs and Border Protection allows the user to file weekly;
- **No Time Constraints:** Merchandise may remain in the FTZ indefinitely;
- **Customs Compliance:** Customs & Border Protection are deterrents against theft;
- Close proximity to the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach;
- Outstanding transportation facilities including rail and highway connections;
- A large, skilled and educated workforce;
- Affordable land and building costs;
- A one-stop, fast-track process for development



City of Palmdale FTZ 191 -  
[CityOfPalmdale.org/Businesses/Business-Advantages/FTZ-Advantages](http://CityOfPalmdale.org/Businesses/Business-Advantages/FTZ-Advantages)

Kern County FTZ 276 -  
[KEDC.com/site-selection/incentives](http://KEDC.com/site-selection/incentives)

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### OVERALL ADVANTAGE

Doing business on SoCal's Leading Edge has distinct advantages.

Stat/Area	Low Greater Antelope Valley	Very High Los Angeles County	Very High San Francisco	Very High Silicon Valley	High Orange County	High San Diego County	Average Inland Empire
Facility Costs \$	1.25	2.38	4.40	3.21	2.22	2.13	1.58
Room to Grow Available Acreage	<12,500	>2,000	>3,200	>2,700	>700	<10,000	<38,000
Housing Costs \$	278,443	647,890	963,000	1,251,200	725,300	592,800	359,750
Cost of Living	113%	165%	265%	271%	191%	173%	136%
Labor Costs \$	1,130	1,380	2,452	2,670	1,251	1,260	908
Available Workers	6.7%	4.5%	2.4%	2.4%	2.5%	2.8%	3.7%

Source: Cumulative comparisons of selected California regions, Q3 2019

### FACILITY COSTS

Setting up shop along the Leading Edge simply costs less.

Stat/Area	Greater Antelope Valley	Los Angeles County	San Francisco	Silicon Valley	Orange County	San Diego County	Inland Empire
Retail \$	1.75%	2.78	3.29	2.89	2.65	2.44	2.11
Office \$	1.27%	3.44	7.30	5.02	3.06	2.96	2.01
Industrial \$	0.72%	0.91	2.60	1.71	0.95	1.00	0.61

Source: CBRE MarketStats, Q3 2019 and LoopNet survey of available properties

### ROOM TO GROW

With over 3,000 square miles of open space, you'll find room to grow.

Stat/Area	Greater Antelope Valley	Los Angeles County	San Francisco	Silicon Valley	Orange County	San Diego County	Inland Empire
Available Acreage	<12,500	>2,000	>3,200	>2,700	>700	>10,000	<38,000
Available Parcels	<200	>200	>150	>75	>50	>200	<1,100
Vacancy Rate	7.5%	5.5%	3.0%	2.1%	3.5%	4.8%	8.0%


Source: LoopNet survey of available commercial/industrial land, Jan 2019 and CBRE MarketStats, Q3, 2019

### HOUSING COSTS

Homes are more affordable here – 50% lower than nearly all SoCal markets.

Stat/Area	Low	Very High	Very High	Very High	High	High	Average	CA	US
	Greater Antelope Valley	Los Angeles County	San Francisco	Silicon Valley	Orange County	San Diego County	Inland Empire		
Monthly Rent \$	1,887	2,884	3,712	4,002	3,055	2,573	2,025	2,640	1,590
Med. Sales Price \$	278,443	647,890	963,000	1,251,200	725,300	592,800	359,750	556,815	224,054
Homeownership	51.2%	45.9%	37.3%	56.9%	57.4%	53.0%	62.1%	55.1%	64.7%

Source: US Census American Fact Finder, Zillow and Best Places, Nov 2019

To Learn More...  
 Call  **661.722.6566**  
 Or Visit  **SoCalLeadingEdge.org**

## **COST OF LIVING**

Dollars go further here. The Bay Area's Cost of Living is 2x greater than ours.

Stat/Area	Greater Antelope Valley	Los Angeles County	San Francisco	Silicon Valley	Orange County	San Diego County	Inland Empire	CA	US
Housing Affordability 1st Time Buyer	46%	41%	29%	38%	43%	48%	67%	48%	N/A
Housing Affordability Traditional	43%	25%	18%	22%	25%	29%	46%	31%	N/A
Cost of Living Index	113%	165%	265%	271%	191%	173%	136%	149.9%	100%

Source: California Association of Realtors and Accra Cost of Living Index, 2019

## **LABOR COSTS**

Thanks to lower cost of living, wages can be lower too.

Stat/Area	Greater Antelope Valley	Los Angeles County	San Francisco	Silicon Valley	Orange County	San Diego County	Inland Empire	CA	US
Weekly Wages \$	1,130	1,380	2,452	2,670	1,251	1,260	908	1,392	1,144
Annual Mean Salary \$	50,943	57,890	70,672	80,368	56,865	56,448	47,637	59,150	51,960
Management \$	117,674	133,720	152,814	169,992	133,880	126,757	110,838	135,840	121,560
Business/Finance \$	71,641	81,410	96,925	103,522	82,216	80,644	66,746	83,310	76,910
Computer, Science & Math \$	84,480	96,000	112,606	125,162	95,978	94,955	78,014	108,190	91,530
Health & Life Sciences \$	74,386	84,530	109,593	114,945	89,132	94,206	87,968	85,640	76,160
Manufacturing/Production \$	33,360	38,250	43,836	43,269	35,816	39,022	35,673	40,320	39,190
Union Membership	9.8%	8.2%	9.6%	8.8%	8.2%	5.6%	12.0%	15.8%	11.6%

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, California Employment Development Department, UnionStats.com, 2019

## **AVAILABLE WORKERS**

A significant Jobs/Housing imbalance creates a very eager workforce for employers.

Stat/Area	Greater Antelope Valley	Los Angeles County	San Francisco	Silicon Valley	Orange County	San Diego County	Inland Empire	CA	US
Total Workforce	144,900	5,154,400	2,392,800	1,639,000	1,624,400	1,592,200	2,053,400	19,544,000	164,556,000
Available Workers	6.7%	4.5%	2.4%	2.4%	2.5%	2.8%	3.7%	762,216	5,753,000
Commute Times (Min)	35	29	31	26	26	24	31	29.3	26.6

Source: California Employment Development Department & Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2019

# LARGEST REGIONAL

# EMPLOYERS BY INDUSTRY

Company .....Approx. # of Employees

All workforce estimates as reported by the EDD/LMI, the employer, or the City. \*includes contract personnel; \*\*includes substitutes; ~includes part-time personnel; ^ all sites combined per EDD/LMI estimates.

## AEROSPACE / AVIATION

Edwards Air Force Base*	8,929
Naval Weapons Air Station - China Lake*	7,995
Northrop Grumman	28,000
Lockheed Martin	3,700
NASA Armstrong Flight Research Center	1,370
General Atomics	^1,000-4,999
Scaled Composites*	^100-249
The Spaceship Company	450
Virgin Galactic	405
PPG Aerospace	^250-499
Stratolaunch	255
BAE	150

## AUTOMOBILE RETAIL / TESTING

Lancaster Auto Mall	590
Rally Hyundai	^100-249
Robertson's Palmdale Honda	^100-249
Carmax Auto Superstore	^100-249
American Honda Motor Co.	^100-249

## GOVERNMENT / CORRECTIONS

County of Los Angeles (AV Region)	3,933
CA State Prison (LA County)	1,476
CA Correctional Institute (Tehachapi)	1,581
California City State Prison	683
US FAA	^500-999
City of Lancaster~*	700
City of Palmdale~*	585
City of California City	150
City of Ridgecrest~*	125
County of Kern (AV Region)	100

## EDUCATION / LEARNING

AV Union High School District**	2,300
Lancaster School District**	2,600
Palmdale School District**	1,792
Antelope Valley College~*	1,275
Westside School District**	587
Tehachapi Unified School District**	464
Mojave Unified School District **	500
Southern Kern School District**	436

Sierra Sands School District**	631
Cerro Coso Community College~*	350
Desert Haven Center~*	^100-249

## HEALTHCARE / HOSPITALS / TRANSPORT

Antelope Valley Hospital Medical Ctr.~*	2,425
Palmdale Regional Medical Center~*	1,100
Kaiser Permanente~*	1,270
Ridgecrest Regional Hospital~*	728
High Desert Health Systems*	^500-999
High Desert Medical Group	423
Adventist Health Tehachapi Valley*	270
Liberty Ambulance	^100-249
Rose-Jenkins Memorial Clinic	^100-249
Mental Health America~*	150

## MANUFACTURING / MINING / TRANSPORTATION

Rio Tinto Borates	800
Robertson's Ready Mix	^1,000-4,999
BYD	830
Lance Camper	650
Granite Construction	400
Sun Select Produce~	310
Syigma	^100-249
US Pole	^100-249
Kinkisharyo International, L.L.C.	260
Incotec	250
Deluxe Corp.	^100-249
AVTA / Trans Dev.~*	170
Morton Manufacturing~	240
Delta Scientific	^100-249
Golden Queen Mining, Co.	250
Progress Rail	140
Lehigh Southwest Cement, Co.	120
Cal Portland Cement	^100-249

## RENEWABLE ENERGY / WASTE RECLAMATION

Southern California Edison	250
Waste Management	^100-249

Mojave Sanitation	^100-249
Benz Propane Co., Inc.	^100-249
Tehachapi Recycling	^100-249
Tehachapi Sanitation	^100-249
GE Energy	150
World Wind & Solar~*	229

## RESTAURANTS / FOOD SERVICE

BJ's Restaurant & Brewhouse~	^100-249
Claim Jumper Restaurant~	^100-249
Olive Garden Italian Kitchen~	^100-249

## RETAIL

Wal-Mart (5)^~	1,900
Antelope Valley Mall (All Stores)~	1,800
Albertson's (All Stores)^~	750
Rite-Aid Distribution Center	560
Home Depot (4)^~	550
Michael's Distribution Center	350
Vallarta (4)^~	400
Stater Bros (3)^~	^250-499
Lowe's (3)^~	350
Target (3)^~	345
Costco~	336
Sam's Club~	190
Smart & Final (2)~	^100-249
KMart (2)~	^100-249
Vons (3)~	^100-249
Best Buy~	^100-249

## OTHER BUSINESSES

Keller-Williams Realty	^250-499
Booz Allen Hamilton	^100-249
RND Enterprises	105
Spectrum	^100-249
Western Digital Corp.	^100-249
New Directions Technologies	^100-249
Pre-Con Industries, Inc.	^100-249
Coso Operating Co.	^100-249
Continental Labor Resources	^100-249
Acl Testing Laboratories	^100-249
Lantz Security	^100-249
Opsec Specialized Protection	^100-249
Lancaster JetHawks Baseball	^100-249

## RETAIL SALES\*

CITY	2015	2016*	2017*	2018*	2019	% of change 2018/2019
Lancaster	\$1,648,958,000	\$1,727,009,200	\$1,779,679,500	\$1,961,513,600	\$2,271,840,600	15.8%
Palmdale	\$1,574,385,800	\$1,606,795,600	\$1,650,196,400	\$2,025,109,900	\$2,168,217,900	7.0%
Ridgecrest	\$260,000,000	\$260,000,000	\$283,000,000	\$299,000,000	\$305,000,000	2.0%
Tehachapi	\$268,942,400	\$241,090,100	\$232,438,300	\$264,874,500	\$287,093,285	9.0%
California City	\$32,342,939	\$32,423,100	\$34,418,222	\$36,307,527	\$37,537,200	3.38%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,784,629,139</b>	<b>\$3,859,172,200</b>	<b>\$3,979,732,422</b>	<b>\$4,586,805,527</b>	<b>\$5,069,688,985</b>	
% of Increase /Decrease	<b>2.76%</b>	<b>1.97%</b>	<b>3.12%</b>	<b>15.25%</b>	<b>10.60%</b>	

\*Last 4 quarters reported.

### CITY WEBSITES

CityOfLancasterCA.org	CityOfPalmdale.org	Ridgecrest-CA.gov	LiveUpTehachapi.com	CaliforniaCity-CA.gov
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# Go with the Smart Money

*Invest in SoCal's  
Leading Edge*

“You don’t learn to walk by following rules. You learn by doing, and by falling over.”

Richard Branson  
*Founder, Virgin Galactic*

“Chains of habit are too light to be felt until they are too heavy to be broken.”

Warren Buffet  
*Founder, Berkshire Hathaway*

“When something is important enough, you do it even if the odds are not in your favor.”

Elon Musk  
*Founder, SolarCity, SpaceX,  
Tesla Motors*



Some very smart and adept entrepreneurs have chosen to grow companies along Southern California’s Leading Edge – Richard Branson, Warren Buffet and Elon Musk to name a few.

Wonder why? For one thing, opportunities abound across this remarkable 3,000-square-mile region. It’s home to countless innovations in aerospace, renewable energy, transportation and more.

Costs are lower here, highly skilled workers live here, and regulations are less onerous than elsewhere. Here, there is room to grow.

Go with the Smart Money. Invest along SoCal’s Leading Edge.

## Greater Antelope Valley Economic Alliance

*The Leading Edge of Southern California*

[SoCalLeadingEdge.org](http://SoCalLeadingEdge.org)



*"We're proud to have served the Antelope Valley since 1968. Today, with more than 1,000 employees and 170 physicians, we are proud to provide high quality care to our 140,000 area members."*

– Linda Lawson,  
Chief Administrative Officer,  
Kaiser Permanente – Antelope Valley



## HEALTHCARE ADVANCES TO NEW LEVELS IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY



*"In partnership with our medical staff and community, PRMC is recognized as a part leading provider of innovative healthcare in the region."*

– Richard Allen CEO,  
Palmdale Regional Medical Center

Undeniably, the healthcare industry helps drive a healthy economy both nationally and regionally. It represents one-fifth of our nation's gross national product, generates an annual payroll of nearly \$540 million regionally and collectively is the Greater Antelope Valley's largest employer with more than 15,000 workers in the field.

More importantly, quality healthcare services are critical to maintaining the vitality of our communities. By treating, counseling and curing the ill and injured and promoting wellness among all who live and work here, the healthcare field is an essential contributor to the region.

Across SoCal's Leading Edge, healthcare is innovative and diverse. Ranging from individual physicians to leading institutional providers, the Greater Antelope Valley offers those involved in medicine unique opportunities to create better outcomes via advanced approaches and creative caregiving.



# ADVENTIST HEALTHCARE TEHACHAPI VALLEY



At Adventist Health Tehachapi Valley, we're proud to be the region's premiere healthcare provider, offering a state-of-the-art critical access hospital, three medical offices for primary care, a rehabilitation center and specialties new to our hometown and surrounding communities. Compelled by our heartfelt mission of "living God's love by inspiring health, wholeness and hope," we are reimagining healthcare in Tehachapi and beyond. As our community grows, Adventist Health continues to identify needed services, expand options, attract new physicians and provide an elevated quality of care for all those who visit, live in and love this town. Together, we are inspired to build a healthier community in Tehachapi for generations. [Adventisthealth.org/tehachapivalley](http://Adventisthealth.org/tehachapivalley)

## 2019 MILESTONES

- 15,000+ patients cared for at Adventist Health Tehachapi Valley's emergency department, equal to about 3 out of every 5 residents in Tehachapi, Bear Valley Springs and Stallion Springs.
- 10,500+ outpatients served at medical offices in Tehachapi, California City and Mojave.
- Opened the region's first and only echocardiography unit to care for our community's heart health.
- Community members donated more than \$800,000 for lifesaving equipment

## EMPLOYMENT & LOCATIONS

250+ full-time, part-time and per diem associates.

### Adventist Health Tehachapi Valley

1100 Magellan Drive, Tehachapi, CA. 93561

Hospital, emergency room, inpatient and outpatient surgery, lab, imaging and more.

### Adventist Health Medical Office – Tehachapi

105 W. E Street, Tehachapi, CA. 93561

Primary care services, behavioral health care, telepsychiatry, women's health care physicals, immunizations, school and sports physicals and more.

### Adventist Health Medical Office – California City

9350 N. Loop Blvd., California City, CA. 93505

Primary care services, behavioral health care, women's health care physicals, immunizations, school and sports physicals and more.

### Adventist Health Medical Office – Mojave

2041 Belshaw Street, Mojave, CA. 93501

Primary care services, behavioral health care, women's health care physicals, immunizations, school and sports physicals and more.

### Adventist Health Rehabilitation Center – Tehachapi

116 W. F Street, Tehachapi, CA. 93561

Physical therapy services.



# ANTELOPE VALLEY PARTNERS FOR HEALTH

AVPH seeks to improve the lives of the most vulnerable and underserved population of the Antelope Valley. This population includes adults and children of diverse ethnic origins who are currently living at or below the poverty line, have no access to health care services and must overcome the geographic barriers from living in the area. AVPH has made significant changes in the following areas: access to health care, community needs assessments, mental health care in schools, dental health for low income children, nutrition and physical activity programs for children and their families, infant mortality issues, women's health education, housing concerns for transitional foster youth, case management services for pregnant women, developed a community resource directory, developed a community based care management consortium for senior citizens, addressed transportation issues, developed and implemented a coordinated comprehensive community network to support at-risk youth and their families, and played a lead role in most local health and health policy issues. Helping families stay strong together!

[AVPH.org](http://AVPH.org)

## Antelope Valley Partners for Health

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Lancaster, CA 93534



# ANTELOPE VALLEY HOSPITAL

Serving the community for more than 60 years, Antelope Valley Hospital is the only full-service acute care hospital in the area. This 420-bed district hospital is home to the renowned Institute for Heart and Vascular Care and is an Accredited Chest Pain Center, Advanced Primary Stroke and certified Community Cancer Center. It also features a level II trauma center, the region's only obstetrical services (including a NICU) and its only pediatric unit.

[AVHospital.org](http://AVHospital.org)



ANTELOPE VALLEY  
HOSPITAL

1600 W Ave J,  
Lancaster, CA 93534



2020 Greater Antelope Valley Economic Alliance

# PALMDALE REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Palmdale Regional Medical Center (“PRMC”) is the region’s newest and only private bed hospital in the Antelope Valley and continues to be rated as the highest hospital for quality in the region by outside agencies such as Leapfrog and Women’s Choice Awards.

[Palmdaleregional.com](http://Palmdaleregional.com)

PRMC continues to operate the only acute rehabilitation unit (for people suffering from strokes, spinal cord and traumatic brain injuries, as well as other debilitating diseases and conditions) in the high desert region.

PRMC plans significant expansion in the next several years to include:

- Adding OB services by 4th quarter of 2020
- Replacement of PRMC’s current magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) scanner, computed tomography (CT) scanners, cardiac catheterization lab (CATH Lab), pharmacy and clinical laboratory, as well as the expansion of other ancillary support services within the facility.
- Strategic evaluation for the potential expansion of the hospital to increase bed capacity from 184 to 234.

We are:

- Certified as an Advanced Primary Stroke Center
- STEMI Receiving Center
- Blue Cross Distinction Center for bariatrics, spine and orthopedic.

As a trusted name in the region, count on Palmdale Regional to help shape the future of healthcare in southern California. We invite you to Discover the Difference at Palmdale Regional Medical Center

## 2019 MILESTONES

- 2019 American Heart/American Stroke Associations’ Get With the Guidelines Stroke Gold Plus Quality Achievement award
- Weight-Loss Surgery – Additional distinction with Aetna Institutes of Quality for Bariatric Surgery. Now four accreditations for this service line with American College of Surgeons, Cigna, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, and Aetna.
- Rosamond Urgent Care opened in 2019

## EXPANSION PLANS ANNOUNCED

- Opening of a new 33,000 square foot maternity labor and delivery unit to include 25 private patient rooms, six labor/delivery/recovery suites, two surgical suites and a neonatal intensive care unit (NICU).
- Significant investments to the hospital’s infrastructure, including the replacement of the hospital’s current magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) scanner, computed tomography (CT) scanners, cardiac catheterization lab (CATH Lab), pharmacy and clinical laboratory, as well as the expansion of other ancillary support services within the



facility.

- Strategic evaluation initiative for the potential expansion of intensive care services (eight additional beds) and the opening of an additional 36-bed nursing unit for joint, spine and bariatric care. The expansion, to occur within existing shell space, will increase the total bed capacity at Palmdale Regional to 234.
- Strategic evaluation initiative for the potential expansion of the hospital’s emergency department (ED) from 35 beds to 47 beds, in order to meet the growing demands of the Antelope Valley population

## EMPLOYEES & LOCATIONS

PRMC has two locations and 1,100 employees.

**Palmdale Regional Medical Center,**  
38600 Medical Center Drive,  
Palmdale, CA 93551

**Rosamond Urgent Care**  
2559 W. Rosamond Blvd., Suite D,  
Rosamond, CA 93560

Hospitals will be increasingly important in managing population health. Facilities will play a critical role in the CMS Bundled Payment model, which will improve care coordination, quality, and reduce costs.



# HIGH DESERT MEDICAL GROUP (HDMG)

High Desert Medical Group (HDMG) in Lancaster and its affiliated heritage Health Care in Palmdale are multi-specialty providers of health services to patients of all ages throughout the Antelope Valley. Formed in 1981, HDMG's network of more than 60 family practitioners and specialists offer patients the highest quality healthcare experience. Providing a 24-hour Urgent Care Center, a 24-hour nurse help line and a comprehensive program for those over 65, HDMG ensures patients are "Empowered for Life!" [HDMG.net](http://HDMG.net)

## COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

**Annual Senior Expo:** since the early 1990's HDMG's Senior Expo has been the most successful senior event in the Antelope Valley and a nationally recognized health fair. Each year, HDMG offers free health screenings, health plan enrollment information, and additional local resources available for seniors. The event attracts up to 7,000 attendees, including California State representatives. The event is uniquely themed with a special guest appearance.

## EMPLOYMENT & LOCATIONS

With 423 Staff members and four primary locations for care, HDMG is working hard to provide quality services throughout the Antelope Valley.

**High Desert Medical Group** is located in Lancaster at 43839 N. 15th Street W. just south of Antelope Valley Hospital. At this facility, we offer general and specialty services including:

- Family Practice, Internal Medicine, Geriatric Medicine
- Over 200 contracted Specialists
- Urgent Care Center
- 24 Hour Nurse Advice Line
- Daytime Geriatric Urgent Care
- On-site CVS Pharmacy, X-Ray and Lab
- Annual health fairs such as Senior Expo

### **Heritage Health Care**

38209 47th St. E. Ste. C in East Palmdale

- Family Practice, Internal Medicine, Geriatric Medicine
- On-site X-Ray and Lab, and ultrasound
- Patients of Heritage Health Care may utilize the full range of services, programs, and specialists at the main facility in Lancaster including our Urgent Care Center.

**California Desert Medical Group (IPA)** - is a group of physicians located throughout the Antelope Valley, including California City, Tehachapi and Rosamond, who have joined together to form an IPA

- The IPA physicians remain affiliated with HDMG while practicing in their own private offices.
- Patients of the IPA may utilize the full range of services, programs and specialists at the main facility in Lancaster including our Urgent Care Center.

**Heritage California Accountable Care Organization (ACO)** - is a unique program designed to improve the health and well-being of Medicare members. As one in a diverse group of leading-edge health care organizations from around the country, HPN was chosen specifically by the Innovation Center to test the effectiveness of several models of payment in helping organizations make a rapid transition to higher quality care at a lower cost to Medicare.

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**Urgent Care Center** - is located in Lancaster at 43839 N. 15th Street West at HDMG's main facility. Here we offer general and specialty services including:

- Open 6:00 am-11:00 pm
- Open 365 days a year
- Lab and X-ray
- Same day care for non-life threatening conditions
- High acuity care for diseases such as Myocardial Infarctions
- Separate center for Geriatric patients
- Curbside Assistance
- IV Therapy

**24 Hour Nurse Advice Line** - is our on-site call center devoted to around the clock care for HDMG, HHC, IPA and Heritage ACO members.:

- Available 24 hours, 7 days a week, and 365 days a year
- Specially trained bilingual nurses
- Advice as to whether a patient need to be seen
- Help with conditions such as diabetes and asthma
- Advice about new symptoms developed prior to a patient's scheduled appointment
- Questions about medication reconciliation and test results

**HDMG Senior Wellness & Fitness Center** - is located at 43779 N. 15th St. W. in Lancaster. This program was designed to provide the best in wellness services, free of charge and exclusively for Medicare Advantage beneficiaries:

- Wellness Center
  - o Annual Wellness Check-ups
  - o Health Education, Screenings, Basic provider-supported care
  - o Grief Support, social activities, and music based therapy
- Fitness
  - o Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program.
  - o Stability, resistance and cardio classes, including: Ballet, Tai Chi, Zumba, Yoga, and Chair-Yoga
  - o Personal Training
  - o Gymnasium open to all HDMG employees



# CITY OF HOPE

Founded in 1913, City of Hope is one of only 48 comprehensive cancer centers in the nation. One hundred years after its founding in Duarte, The City of Hope extended its outreach to the Antelope Valley to better serve area patients who require the world-class level of care for which this famed cancer research, diagnostic and treatment center has long been known. Within this light and bright 25,000-square-foot facility, patients will experience a positive healing environment with advance chemo and infusion therapy, rendered in an atmosphere of care and compassion.

[Cityofhope.org/antelopevalley](http://Cityofhope.org/antelopevalley)

**City of Hope, Antelope Valley**  
44151 15th St. West,  
Lancaster, CA 93534



## KAISER PERMANENTE

1968 was an eventful year. Both Martin Luther King Jr. and Bobby Kennedy were lost to us. Lyndon Johnson signed the Civil Rights Act, and Richard Nixon was elected the 37th U.S. President. History was made when physicians performed the first heart transplant in the United States, and three Apollo 8 astronauts orbited the moon on Christmas Eve. These were all remarkable milestones in a changing world.

Here in the Antelope Valley many extraordinary changes were under way as well. The astronauts we watched on TV had trained for their missions at nearby Edwards Air Force Base. The innovative Lockheed L-1011 was being assembled at Palmdale's Air Force Plant 42, and Kaiser Permanente came to the Antelope Valley to better serve the people who made both possible. [Kp.org/antelopevalley](http://Kp.org/antelopevalley)

"As a flight test engineer before becoming a physician, I've always been amazed by what we can do when we put our minds to it: whether that be moon shots or heart transplants. In Kaiser Permanente's case, it has been a decades-long commitment to providing a more compassionate approach to health care. By focusing on keeping people well rather than just treating them when they fall ill, Kaiser Permanente has revolutionized health care. Helping people thrive on a long-term basis has been our goal since inception." David A. Kohl, MD, Medical Director.

Primary care services—pediatrics, internal medicine, and family medicine—are available in Lancaster and Palmdale. Each location houses diagnostic imaging, pharmacy, and laboratory. Our state-of-the-art Antelope Valley Medical Offices is home to 25 specialty care services, as well as an outpatient procedure suite, diagnostic imaging, pharmacy, and laboratory all provided by more than 70 clinicians.

"Unlike earlier days, today we offer nearly every medical service needed locally. While open heart and neurosurgery patients still travel to Kaiser's Los Angeles Medical Center for care, we stabilize stroke and heart attack patients here before sending them on to our world-class specialists in Los Angeles. We've come a long way." Linda Lawson, chief administrative officer, Kaiser Permanente, Antelope Valley

This year we will see more growth and service in our community as our new CT machine went live, and a newly renovated lab and

Optometry department at our Lancaster medical offices. We will continue to strengthen our relationship with the community and help the Antelope Valley not only be a place to live but a place to thrive as we begin expanding behavioral health services into our Palmdale medical offices.

Additionally, we improve the health of communities we serve by supporting local nonprofits, schools, community-based organizations, community clinics, and government organizations through grants, technical expertise, volunteer hours, in-kind services, and board participation. This commitment to the local community helps the most vulnerable people in our service area, and helps our friends, loved ones and neighbors thrive. In December 2018, we announced a \$6 million, grant program to combat and improve access to mental health services. The initial grant allocation is funding a group of two-year grants to support 16 nonprofit community partners, including an Antelope Valley based non-profit.



# LANCASTER'S NEW HEALTH & WELLNESS DISTRICT

Working with Antelope Valley Hospital (AVH), the City of Lancaster is in the initial planning phase of a comprehensive health and wellness district on 110-acres surrounding the hospital. This mixed-used, pedestrian-focused neighborhood will bring together health-oriented functions with retail, restaurants, short- and long-term housing, and other services to meet the needs of the 24/7 activities which occur around a major hospital.

*Lancaster's vision for a modern health and wellness district surrounding AVH supports the 24/7 nature of a contemporary healthcare campus.*



## MENTAL HEALTH AMERICA OF LOS ANGELES (MHA-LA)

Mental Health America of Los Angeles (MHA-LA) is the oldest mental health advocacy organization in the country. The Los Angeles chapter was established in 1924 and is the largest private non-profit provider of adult mental health and veterans services in the Antelope Valley. Since 1988, MHA has identified and responded to unmet needs in the AV, bringing much-needed services to adults and young adults with serious

mental health issues, including those who are homeless. These include mental health care, housing assistance, job training and placement, homeless outreach, substance abuse recovery, social and living skills training and money management. [mhalaves.org](http://mhalaves.org)

With 150 employees, MHA-LA are able to provided assistance to more than 5000 individuals. More than 200 community

individuals were trained by MHA-LA in Mental Health First Aid. 168 service recipients obtained employment in the community

There is a concerted effort throughout the country to focus on the integration of mental health and physical healthcare. It is widely recognized that whole person care is vital to everyone's wellbeing.



# RIDGECREST REGIONAL HOSPITAL

Serving the Indian Wells Valley and Southern Sierra communities, Ridgecrest Regional Hospital provides a 24-hour emergency room, ICU, maternity and pediatric care, cardiac and pulmonary rehab services as well as community clinics and urgent care services. The hospital also puts significant emphasis on prevention to ensure better health outcomes. [rrh.org](http://rrh.org)

## OUR VALUES

- **Excellence:** We continually strive to provide the highest quality services at the lowest possible cost, with the best utilization of our resources.
- **Integrity:** We act honestly and ethically in all relationships. We value and respect the uniqueness and dignity of all individuals.
- **Diversity:** We value and respect the uniqueness and dignity of all individuals.
- **Service:** We responsibly anticipate the needs of our community and cooperatively work with our medical staff and community entities to provide a seamless continuum of care.
- **Compassion:** We respond through a caring environment to the holistic needs of those we serve.

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Community Wellness Resource Center (CWRC) provides many services to the community to promote health and wellness. The goal of this program is to help people be aware of small changes they can make so that health and wellness choices become habit.

The CWRC provides education within classrooms of all ages to educate on nutrition and health. Fun, interactive lessons are provided to allow children and adolescents the opportunity to learn in a meaningful way.

The CWRC also provides educational programs to workplaces and organizations.

Services provided through the CWRC are:

- Health and wellness education for adults and kids
- Workplace prevention and early detection programs
- Ongoing health education through free seminars and resource guides
- School Health / Nutrition Programs
- Community Health Events
- The Annual Community Health Fair
- Community Support Groups such as SilverSneakers exercise program for Seniors, Seniors Gentle Chair Yoga, Journey to Happiness Seniors Group, Journey to Happiness Caregiver Support Group and the Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group

**Main Tower/ Hospital**  
1081 N. China Lake Blvd.  
Ridgecrest, CA 93555



# WESLEY HEALTH CENTERS (JWCH)

Wesley Health Centers (JWCH) is a leading health care provider for low-income and homeless patients. Our care network extends across Los Angeles County and we operate 17 clinics (including three in the Antelope Valley), three recuperative care facilities, three mobile health units, a residential Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatment facility, outpatient SUD treatment clinic, and transitional housing. We specialize in providing comprehensive primary health care, oral health, mental health, substance abuse treatment and relapse prevention services, family planning, STD/HIV treatment and prevention services, optometry, pharmacy, radiology and laboratory services, case management, health education, nutritional counseling, benefit enrollment services, and other services depending on the needs of patients. All services are available to patients regardless of ability to afford care. [JWCHInstitute.org/](http://JWCHInstitute.org/)

one of the nation's top 20% of health centers. Wesley received recognition in three areas: exceeding Healthy People 2020 goals for low birth weight, hypertension control, and diabetes control (1st Tier Health Disparities Reducer Award), increasing access to comprehensive services (Health Access Enhancer Award), and delivering patient-centered care (PCMH).

## EMPLOYEES & LOCATIONS

Wesley Health Centers has more than 810 employees on staff and provides high quality care to more than 61,000 patients annually. Wesley operates three clinics and two mobile units in the Antelope Valley:

**Wesley Health Centers** — Lancaster,  
45104 10th Street West, Lancaster, CA 93534

**Wesley Health Centers** — Palmdale Central,  
2151 E. Palmdale Blvd., Palmdale, CA 93550

**Wesley Health Centers** — Palmdale East,  
37926 47th Street East, Suite D and G, Palmdale, CA 93552

**Wesley Health Centers** — Mobile Clinic I and II,  
45104 10th Street West, Lancaster, CA 93534 (location varies)

**Wesley Health Centers** — Adult Health Day Care (Lancaster),  
858 W. Jackman #101, Lancaster, CA 93534

Wesley is committed to providing patients with access to exceptional care. As a new provider in the area, our focus in the coming years is to continue to provide patients with access to comprehensive services that are responsive to changing patient needs and to continue to establish long-term community partnerships with local providers of health and social services.

**OUR SERVICES:**  
NUESTROS SERVICIOS:

- PRIMARY HEALTH CARE
- REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH
- PHARMACY SERVICES
- VISION CARE
- PODIATRY
- LABORATORY SERVICES
- ORAL HEALTH CARE
- Wesley Health Centers JWCH INSTITUTE
- RESPIRATORY CARE
- PHYSICIAN SERVICES
- SUBSTANCE USE SERVICES
- RECUPERATIVE CARE FOR SUBSTANCE USE
- RADIOLOGY IMAGING
- PEDIATRICS
- STD/HIV TESTING & PREVENTION

wesley Health Centers JWCH INSTITUTE

For appointments | Para citas | Tel: 866 733 5924  
No one is turned away for lack of ability to pay  
A nadie se le negaran servicios por inhabilidad de pago  
[www.wesleyhealthcenters.com](http://www.wesleyhealthcenters.com)

## 2019 MILESTONES

- In 2019, Wesley celebrates 59 years of providing comprehensive health care services to some of the most vulnerable and high-need patients in the County.
- Provided care to over 36,000 patients and preserved access to care for nearly 25,000 patients in the Antelope Valley
- In April 2019, JWCH assumed operations over two mobile units and three primary care clinics in the Antelope Valley.
- 2019 Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Health Center Program Quality Improvement Awardee: Health Center Quality Leader with a silver badge, designating JWCH as



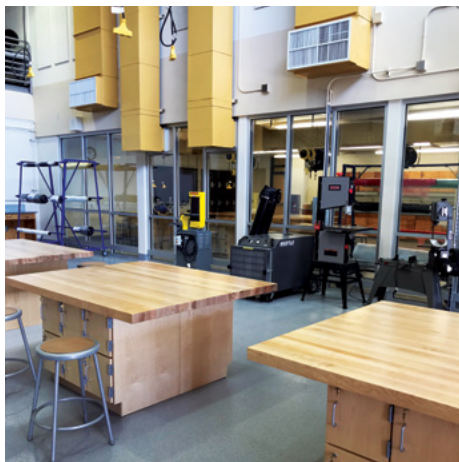
## ACROSS THE GREATER ANTELOPE VALLEY

**The Antelope Valley Union High School District (AVUHSD)** is proud to see continued growth in its STEM-focused Career Technical Education (CTE) programs across all high schools in the district. These programs provide students skills that can be transferred across any industry sector.

Among several new programs begun in the AVUHSD this year, the Society of Women Engineers (SWE) has chartered “SWENext” clubs at **Antelope Valley** and **Highland High Schools**, which involve young women in STEM workshops with female engineer mentors. Many students within the district and region overall were also able to attend the SWE Convention in Anaheim in early November to gain further college and career direction.

Additionally, Chapter 661 of the Medical Explorers, sponsored by Kaiser Permanente, continues to thrive, with numerous students at **Eastside High and other sites**. Exploring is a career education program for students between 14 and 20-years-old. Kaiser’s Antelope Valley physicians and employees volunteer their time to provide real-world career experiences for the explorers and help them gain practical knowledge in the medical field through a variety of activities. As a youth-led program, students organize monthly meetings including hands-on learning presentations, a tour of the Kaiser Permanente Antelope Valley Medical Offices and Kaiser Permanente Regional Lab, community service projects, CPR training, and a final educational field trip.

Ten student teams from **Antelope Valley, Eastside, Lancaster, Palmdale, Quartz Hill and Knight High Schools, plus Eagle Robotics Team 399**, are slated to compete in the Aerospace Robotics Competition in the spring of 2020,



*Knight High School's new Composites Lab.*

hosted by Lockheed Martin Aeronautics in Palmdale. The goal of this year-long, mentored design-build activity is to “create a relevant, challenging, and exciting high school competition . . . involving autonomous and semi-autonomous drones (quadcopters), . . . utilizing basic aerospace principles in a hands-on flight environment.” (Lockheed Martin ARC Briefing) Drone and robotics courses offered at school sites across the AVUHSD will support this effort.

**Academies of the Antelope Valley’s** online high school component, the **Virtual Academy**, in its Information Technology pathway, has embarked upon efforts to support the national initiative for a secure nation by increasing awareness and opportunities in cybersecurity. New courses leading to industry certifications in the CompTIA A+ (computer repair) and CompTIA Network+ (network administrator) are offered to students with the potential for hire into IT careers out of high school, as well as more advanced training in the field (Security+ will be offered in 2020-2021 school year). In addition, working as a partnership with Antelope Valley College and the Air Force Research Lab at Edwards Air Force Base, the AV CyberHub was created as a centralized location for the greater Antelope Valley where students will be exposed monthly to all things cybersecurity from training, courses, competitions, professional mentors, and field trips. These efforts have resulted in an increased Antelope Valley presence in CyberPatriot competitions.

The **Academies of the Antelope Valley** has also been selected as one of only 25 schools nationally as a Fellow for the North America Scholastic Esports Federation (NASEF) to develop and implement competitive video games as the next tool for academic and STEM learning. The pilot will be implemented within the Academy Prep Junior High Schools at **SOAR Prep** and **Palmdale Prep** through a grant from the Air Force Research Lab’s ENSIPRE program. NASEF partners with UC Irvine; there are over 20 colleges nationally with eSports scholarship programs, and eSports has a global audience estimated to be larger than that of the Super Bowl.

Ninth grade future engineers at **Antelope Valley High School’s Engineering Academy** built scale models of collapsible green houses to be sent to Mars. The premise is that, in order to inhabit the Red Planet sometime in the future, there needs



*Littlerock High School FFA Club Officers.*

to be a food source to feed the inhabitants. This project required to students to “think outside the box” and innovate ideas for food sources from another planet.

**The Eastside High School Biomedical Science Academy** was only one of 12 schools in the nation to achieve Gold Certification status from the Linked Learning Alliance. Linked Learning is an approach to educational reform that combines rigorous academics, demanding career and technical education, real-world experience, and integrated student supports. Currently, there are more than 600 registered Linked Learning pathways nationwide, that serve over 250, 000, and Eastside is proud to be Gold Certified. The Biomedical Science Academy students are able to take certification exams in various areas of the health field while in high school. Many of the students become CPR certified and get to work on the field during sports games as part of the Sports Medicine program. The Academy’s short-term goal for the near future is to continue to grow the Sports Medicine program, and maintain the premier goal of preparing students for success in both college and career.



*Eastside High School receiving Linke Learning Gold Certification.*



Superintendent David Vierra and Board Member Jill McGrady at the ribbon cutting of Knight High School's Composites Lab

Similarly, **Lancaster High School's Multimedia and Engineering Academy** is the other Antelope Valley school, again of only 12 schools in the nation, to receive Linked Learning Gold Certification. This is the highest level of certification available to Linked Learning programs. The outstanding accomplishment of these two AVUHSD academies was celebrated at the Antelope Valley Fairgrounds in October, attended by numerous civic and community leaders.

Likewise, at the **Multimedia and Engineering Academy**, students are working collaboratively with others for real-world solutions to real-world problems. These collaborative efforts are not only of students within a single classroom, but also of students from other classrooms working with teachers across the campus. This experience echoes current workforce situations where teams work together to achieve common goals, and reinforces the AVUHSD's district-wide focus of preparing students for college, career and life. For the second year, 12th grade students provided evidence of their learning through Senior Defense presentations, with panels of teachers and community members presiding and providing feedback.

In October, teams from **Knight High School** traveled to Queensland, Australia for their sixth visit to the UAV Challenge. Teams use an unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) to deliver an EpiPen with a monitor to measure impact pressure as close as possible to "Outback Joe" (a simulated lost hiker, suffering a medical emergency) to treat his anaphylaxis immediately while medical aid travels to reach him. The competition also includes a technical report and an oral



presentation, followed by questioning from industry judges. Once again, students from **Knight High School** took first place in this competition, making them the top team in three of the last four years. This year's winning team, The Mojave Hawks, piloted and engineered by Oscar Orellano and Matt Soto, both KHS seniors, earned the exciting victory by a margin of only half a point. Students from **Palmdale High School, SOAR High School, Littlerock High School, and Lancaster High School** also competed in this year's Challenge.

**Knight High** is also home to the first-ever high school composites lab, which had a ribbon-cutting ceremony and grand opening in August. Courses offered in this facility continue to supply students with foundational skills feeding into local post-secondary training and industry jobs.

Over the last year there have been several changes and positive growth within the **Sustainable Agriculture Academy at Littlerock High School**. Celebrating 30 years of service to agriculture students and the community last spring, students travelled to competitions and FFA events from Anaheim to Half Moon Bay, including competing in Forestry, Public Speaking, Creed, Job Interview and Leadership Development. The Littlerock Chapter of FFA was again recognized as a 2-Star National FFA chapter by the National Organization, a recognition that goes to less than 5% of chapters nationally. Junior Maria Corona was elected to serve on the High Desert Section FFA officer team.

Finally, **Quartz Hill**, along with **Eastside High School**, have added new Linked Learning academies on their campuses. In the QHTV Academy at **Quartz Hill High School**, students learn to utilize a myriad of technologies and numerous industrial disciplines, working together to achieve a greater goal of full, professional quality productions, along with their core education. Following the Linked Learning approach, the academy emphasizes leadership and teamwork in a multi-cultural, multi-disciplinary atmosphere.

The Antelope Valley Union High School District's vision is that every student who graduates will be prepared to pursue college and any career to which he or she aspires. For more information on our programs and activities, visit [AVDistrict.org](http://AVDistrict.org).

## MOJAVE K-12 AND HIGHER EDUCATION

Partnerships are the key to successfully serving adults in the high desert. The **Mojave Unified School District (MUSD)** has taken on the challenge of educating adults in the high desert by forming the **Mojave Adult School (MAS)**. One stop shopping at MAS provides adults Career Technical Education in Welding, Computers

and Allied Health. MAS provides English as a Second Language in two communities, and began a diploma track in November of 2018. MAS provides a smooth transition into post-secondary, and counseling close to home. MAS collaborates with **Cerro Coso Community College (CCCC)** in providing a cycle of IGETC courses in Mojave, which benefit both adults and high school students. MUSD, America's Job center, CCCC and MAS work together to educate and provide jobs for the local population.

### 2019 MILESTONES

The Mojave Adult School received their CDS code late in 2018. They immediately began a diploma track for adults and graduated three students in June 2019. They expect a much larger number to graduate in June 2020.

### LOCATION

The **Mojave Adult School** has two locations; the main one is located just south of Mojave High School (call 661-824-4088) and at California City Middle School.

Susan J. Clipperton,  
Mojave Adult School Principal, CTE  
661-824-4088  
[susanclipperton@mojave.k12.ca.us](mailto:susanclipperton@mojave.k12.ca.us)

### EHA BIOMED

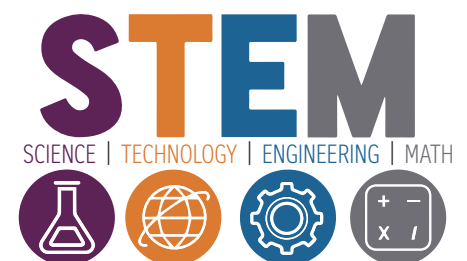
EHS Biomed was only one of 12 schools in the nation to achieve Linked Learning's Gold Certification. **Linked Learning** is an approach to educational reform that combines rigorous academics, demanding career and technical education, real-world experience, and integrated student supports.

### 2019 MILESTONES

Distinction earned Linked Learning Gold Certification

### LOCATION

Eastside High School/Antelope Valley Union High School District





## ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE

At Antelope Valley College we take pride in providing a quality, comprehensive education for a wide variety of learners. We are committed to student success, offering value and opportunity for all members of our community.

AVC was founded in 1929 as a department of Antelope Valley Joint Union High School in Lancaster. Today AVC has a service area of 1,945 square miles with an annual unduplicated headcount of more than 18,000 and employs more than 850 people.

Antelope Valley College is fully accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges/ Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACCJC/WASC). AVC's most recent reaffirmation of accreditation was completed in Fall 2016. The college is up for its next accreditation reaffirmation in Fall 2023.

**Corporate and Community Services** is committed to providing lifelong learning experiences to our community through a variety of courses which provides short-term, not-for-credit programs that offer the basic, technical and professional business courses designed to develop skills that can lead to employment, job advancement, enhancement and/or certification.

**Cathy Hart, Dean,**  
661.722.6300 EXT. 6412

**Job Recruitment Services** - The Job Placement Center (JPC) is a resource and information center available to current students and alumni. The JPC assists students to become fully prepared to search for employment opportunities that are in line with their educational goals and career objectives. Students are encouraged to apply to employment opportunities, work



experience programs or internships that will provide the skills and experience needed to secure permanent employment once they have graduated. 661.722.6358 [AVC.edu](http://AVC.edu)

## ANTELOPE VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

### **College and Career Readiness**

The Mission of the Antelope Valley Adult Education is to meet the needs of the community by providing academic and career training opportunities for students to fulfill their personal and professional goals.

Career Tech Ed | Diploma Program | English as a 2nd Language | High School Equivalency

### **Career Tech Courses**

- Administrative Secretary
- Computer Repair Technician
- Dental Assistant
- Emergency Medical Technician
- Medical Assistant
- Medical Billing and Coding
- Medical Secretary
- Networking
- Patient Care Technician
- Personal Fitness Training
- Pharmacy Technician
- Phlebotomy Technician

**Diane Walker**, Director of Industry Liaison and Post-Secondary Partnerships, AVUHSD  
661.575.1025 [AVDistrict.org/academics/college-readiness-and-preparation](http://AVDistrict.org/academics/college-readiness-and-preparation)

**Steve Radford**, PhD, Regional Director for College & Career Prep, 661.942.3042  
[AVAdultEd.org/programs/career-technical-education-programs](http://AVAdultEd.org/programs/career-technical-education-programs)

## BRANDMAN UNIVERSITY



### **Antelope Valley Campus**

Brandman University is a fully accredited, private, nonprofit university designed for working adults seeking to improve their careers through education. With many programs offered online as well as on-campus at our 25+ locations, Brandman is here to help you reach your educational goals.

Established as an educational resource for the local Edwards Air force Base in 1971, the Antelope Valley campus made education more accessible to military personnel and their families. Today as a campus focused on working students, Brandman strives to make college education more accessible to a wider range of students. Located north

of downtown Los Angeles and home to the California Poppy Reserve, this area draws residents for its affordable housing and proximity to the LA area.

Brandman provides year-round sessions, flexible formats, tutoring, scholar-practitioner faculty and an exceptional education value. For answers regarding tuition, financial aid, transfer credits and more refer to the admissions section or call 661.267.2001.

## CALIFORNIA STATE



## UNIVERSITY, BAKERSFIELD

### **Antelope Valley Campus**

Located on the Antelope Valley College campus, CSUB Antelope Valley offers accredited Bachelor's Degrees in Business Administration with an emphasis in Accounting, General Business, or Management, Child, Adolescent and Family Studies, Criminal Justice, RN to BSN (online), Sociology in Traditional or Human Services, Liberal Studies, in Traditional Track, Multiple Subject, or Special Education, Interdisciplinary Studies, and Natural Science. CSUB Antelope Valley offers Teaching Credentials for all grade levels and Special Education. Several Master programs are also offered including Business Administration (MBA) online or onsite, Education Administration (MA), Special Education (MA), Master of Social Work (MSW), Administration (MSA) online, and Curriculum and Instruction (MA) online. Stay near, go far! (661) 952-5000 [CSUB.edu/av](http://CSUB.edu/av)

## CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH

AV Engineering Program is a full time, highly structured, 2 ½ year program for transfer students seeking a Bachelor of Science degree in either Mechanical or Electrical Engineering. The program is located at the Lancaster University Center

## Satellite Campus.

Students are admitted and matriculated through CSULB. The program is a cohort-based model, allowing students to proceed as a group through the program in a prescribed lock-step sequence. The cohort model emphasizes teamwork



*Karee Hamilton Cerro Coso Counselor for the East Kern region assists a student Erik Warda with program requirements*

and collaboration among students and offers a strong support system as you progress through the program. Students complete 68 units of junior and senior level engineering, capstone General Education, and math coursework. The program takes approximately two and a half years to complete, including a Summer term.

For more information, please call: 661.723.6429 [CSULB.edu/college-of-engineering/antelope-valley-program/](http://CSULB.edu/college-of-engineering/antelope-valley-program/)

## CERRO COSO COMMUNITY COLLEGE

### Translates Visions Into Reality

January 2019 marked the conclusion of Cerro Coso Community College's 45th Anniversary celebration as an independent college of the Kern Community College District (KCCD). The college has seen remarkable growth over the last 45 years and with that have come great opportunities and challenges.

Today Cerro Coso has expanded its services to seven instructional sites that include the East Kern region of California City, Mojave, Boron, Edwards AFB, Lake Isabella, and Tehachapi. The East Kern area, combined with all other CCCC campus locations, form



*Tehachapi Campus of Cerro Coso Community College*

the largest geographical service area of any community college in California and serve a rural population of more than 180,000 over a three county region of eastern California.

With a spirit of innovation and creativity, the college consistently engages in activities designed to enhance the learning environment and provide for the ever-changing needs of the students and communities they serve. The East Kern region of California City, Mojave, Boron, and Tehachapi, has quickly become an area of opportunity that has seen much growth over the last 4 years.

Committed to creating a college-going culture in partnership with all local high schools, Cerro Coso offers a dual enrollment program at all of its service area high schools. This program allows high school students in East Kern the opportunity to



*Cerro Coso classroom at the Tehachapi Campus.*

earn college and high school credit in two certificate programs during the school day. Students can also earn an associate degree for transfer by participating in the college's dual and concurrent enrollment programs. Both afford students the ability to gain a head start on their college/career training, and have quickly become very popular throughout the region.

Each year, hundreds of thousands of formerly incarcerated individuals are released back into society. Along with a high rate of incarceration, the U.S. also has a high rate of recidivism, meaning those who have been incarcerated are likely to return to prison after their release. According to a 2013 Rand Corporation study, the rate of recidivism for inmates with no education is 86%. For those inmates who participate in college programs it is



*Student leaders representing all Cerro Coso Campuses (l to r) Yonatan Escoto, Chandler McCauley, Justine Wagner, Sawyer Chrisman, Jacob Kelley, and Rachel Quan*

43%, and the number drops to 16% for those earning an associate's degree, 6% for those earning a Bachelor's Degree, and 0% for those earning a Master's Degree.

From its humble beginnings of 19 students in one class in 2015, Cerro Coso now serve over 1000 incarcerated students each year and offers seven transferable degree pathways. There are also cost benefits associated with educating incarcerated individuals, as the cost of education is less than the cost of incarceration for repeat offenders. For every \$1 spent on education in prison, it saves the public \$5 on future incarceration. Additionally, the attainment of a degree aids in the ability to obtain work, where it is sometimes difficult for formerly incarcerated to obtain jobs.

Twenty-five inmates from the California City Correctional Facility became the first graduates of the college's Incarcerated Student Education Program (ISEP) in 2018. All earned associate degrees. In addition to the 25 graduates, 63 incarcerated students qualified for the Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) International Honor Society. To be invited to join PTK a student must complete a minimum of 12 units and hold a GPA of 3.5 or higher. The success of Cerro Coso's ISEP has received both state and national attention. "These programs highlight the new realities of the 21st century community college," stated Cerro Coso President Jill Board.



# WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



Learn4Life Concept Charter Schools  
661.618.7727  
[LearnFourLife.com](http://LearnFourLife.com)

## LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION (LACOE)

Career Technical Education (CTE) is a program of study that prepares students for college and careers. A variety of CTE curriculum and instruction resources are available including:

- Arts, media and entertainment • Building and construction trades • Business and finance
- Food service and hospitality • Education, child development, and family services
- Engineering and design • Health science and medical technology
- Information and communication technologies • Marketing, sales and services • Transportation

661.265.0124  
[LACOE.edu/Curriculum-Instruction/Career-Technical-Education/CTE-Curriculum](http://LACOE.edu/Curriculum-Instruction/Career-Technical-Education/CTE-Curriculum)

## APPRENTICESHIPS

**The Los Angeles County Office of Education** - Career Technical Education (LACOE-CTE) cooperates with trade program sponsors to assist in offering the related classroom instruction component of seven apprenticeship training programs:

**Air Conditioning and Refrigeration - Cosmetology - Electrical - Roofers - Studio Electrician - Sound and Intercommunication**

[LACOE.edu/Curriculum-Instruction/Career-Technical-Education/Apprenticeships](http://LACOE.edu/Curriculum-Instruction/Career-Technical-Education/Apprenticeships)



## COMMUNITY COLLEGE BUSINESS TOOLS

**California Community Colleges Sector Navigator** - The Community Colleges' Deputy Sector Navigators help coordinate industry- specific workforce training programs, providing highly specialized industry training, technical consulting and business development.  
[CCCEWD.net](http://CCCEWD.net)

**Division of Apprenticeship Standards** provides employers with a highly skilled and experienced workforce.  
[DIR.CA.gov/das/das.html](http://DIR.CA.gov/das/das.html)

**California Corporate College** Training That Improves Employee Performance  
[CACorpcollege.com](http://CACorpcollege.com)

## SCHOOL PROGRAMS FOR JOB TRAINING

**ANTELOPE VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (AVHSD)** - Employer Partner QuickStart Guide to Work-Based Learning Experiences  
[AVDistrict.org/community/business-partners](http://AVDistrict.org/community/business-partners)

**LEARN 4 LIFE** - The Antelope Valley is home to five educational centers that provide innovative opportunities to create pathways to the workforce. As a Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) partner, Learn4Life offers courses in observable work readiness skills. Our CTE programs give students a jump start on a promising future right out of high school with the mastery of real-world, technical skills. Our corporate partnerships and workforce readiness programs are the keys to success inside and outside of the classroom for Learn4Life students

**Valerie J. Chase**, Vice President, School Development & Support



## AMERICA'S JOB CENTER Services for Business

Finding good help is always a challenge: America's Job Center of California can help. Our professional counselors can enhance your human resources staff and provide a wealth of useful services, including:

- No-cost job postings locally and on the Internet on our searchable online job bank.
- Customized recruiting to help you fill multiple positions quickly.
- Job matching through skills assessment of potential candidates to assure they are qualified for your positions.
- Interview facilities for conducting both one-on-one and group meetings.
- Initial screening and referral of candidates to optimize your interview time and effort.
- On-the-job and pre-employment training to help you develop training programs you need to satisfy your job requirements.
- Technical assistance for employee support and reasonable accommodation for employees with disabilities.



- Business incentive information to help you learn about the Foreign Trade Zone, Work Opportunity Tax Credits, manufacturing incentives and other credits and Incentives your business may be eligible for.
- Services are provided without charge or on a simple cost recovery basis.

## MOJAVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Adult Education partners: The Mojave Unified School District, California Community College Chancellors Office, Cerro Coso Community College and America's Job Center.

**Susan Clipperton**, 661.824.4088

**Dr. Aaron Haughton**, Superintendent  
661.824.4001  
[Mojave.k12.ca.us](http://Mojave.k12.ca.us)

# PUBLIC/PRIVATE CHARTER SCHOOLS



## PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**Acton-Agua Dulce Unified School District (K-12)**  
[AADUSD.k12.ca.us](http://AADUSD.k12.ca.us)

**Antelope Valley High School District**  
[AVDistrict.org](http://AVDistrict.org)

**Eastside Union School District (K-8)**  
[EastsideUSD.org](http://EastsideUSD.org)

**Gorman School District (K-8)**  
[Gorman.k12.ca.us](http://Gorman.k12.ca.us)

**Hughes-Elizabeth Lake Union School District (K-8)**  
[Helus.org](http://Helus.org)

**Keppel Union School District (K-8)**  
[Keppel.k12.ca.us](http://Keppel.k12.ca.us)

**Kern County Schools/Mojave Unified School District (K-12)**  
[Mojave.k12.ca.us](http://Mojave.k12.ca.us)

**Lancaster School District (K-8)**  
[LancSD.org](http://LancSD.org)

**Muroc Joint Unified School District (K-12)**  
[Muroc.k12.ca.us](http://Muroc.k12.ca.us)  
**(K-8)**  
[PalmdaleSD.org](http://PalmdaleSD.org)

**Southern Kern Unified (K-Adult)**  
[SKUSD.k12.ca.us](http://SKUSD.k12.ca.us)

**Sierra Sands Unified School District**  
[SSUSD.org](http://SSUSD.org)

**Tehachapi Unified School District**  
[TEH.k12.ca.us](http://TEH.k12.ca.us)

**Westside Union Elementary School District (K-8)**  
[Westside.k12.ca.us](http://Westside.k12.ca.us)

**Wilsona School District (K-8)**  
[WilsonaSD.net](http://WilsonaSD.net)

## PRIVATE SCHOOLS

**Antelope Valley Adventist School**  
[LancasterAdventist.com](http://LancasterAdventist.com)

**Bethel Christian School**  
[BethelChristian.net](http://BethelChristian.net)

**Desert Christian School**  
[DesertChristian.com](http://DesertChristian.com)

**Desert Vineyard Christian School**  
[GrowWithVCS.org](http://GrowWithVCS.org)

**Grace Lutheran School**  
[GraceLancaster.org](http://GraceLancaster.org)

**Heritage Oak School**  
[HeritageOakSchool.info](http://HeritageOakSchool.info)

**Immanuel Christian School**  
[lcsk12.org](http://lcsk12.org)

**Lancaster Baptist School**  
[LancasterBaptistSchool.org](http://LancasterBaptistSchool.org)

**Paraclete High School**  
[ParacleteHS.org](http://ParacleteHS.org)

**Pearblossom Private School**  
[PearblossomSchool.com](http://PearblossomSchool.com)

**Pinecrest School**  
[PinecrestSchools.com](http://PinecrestSchools.com)

**Sacred Heart School**  
[Shsav.org](http://Shsav.org)

**St. Mary's School**  
[STMarysPalmdale.org](http://STMarysPalmdale.org)

**Westside Christian School**  
[DHbc-wcs.com](http://DHbc-wcs.com)

## CHARTER SCHOOLS

**AV Learning Academy**  
[AVLearning.org](http://AVLearning.org)

**AV Youthbuild Charter**  
[YouthBuildCharter.org](http://YouthBuildCharter.org)

**Desert Sands Charter High School**  
[Dschs.org](http://Dschs.org)

**iLEAD Lancaster Charter School**  
[leadlancaster.org](http://leadlancaster.org)

**Learn4Life Concept Charter Schools**  
[Learn4life.org](http://Learn4life.org)

**Life Source Charter School**  
[LifesourceCharterSchool.org](http://LifesourceCharterSchool.org)

**The Palmdale Aerospace Academy**  
[Tpaa.org](http://Tpaa.org)

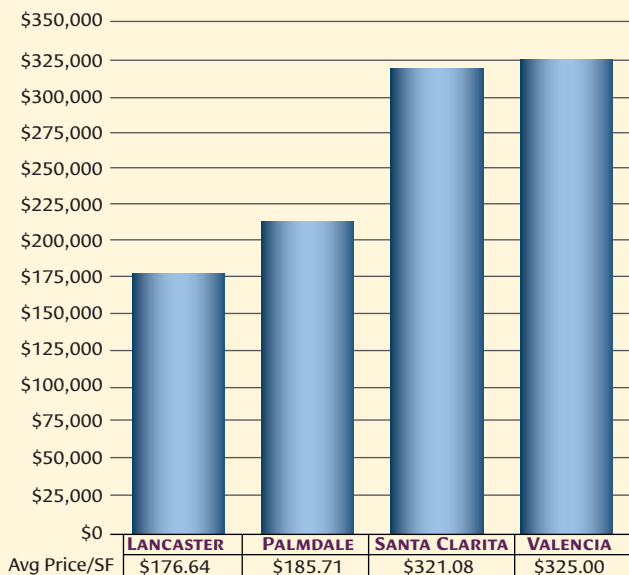
**Valley Oaks Charter School**  
[ValleyOaksCharterSchool.org](http://ValleyOaksCharterSchool.org)

## ANTELOPE VALLEY HOME SALES 2019 VS 2018

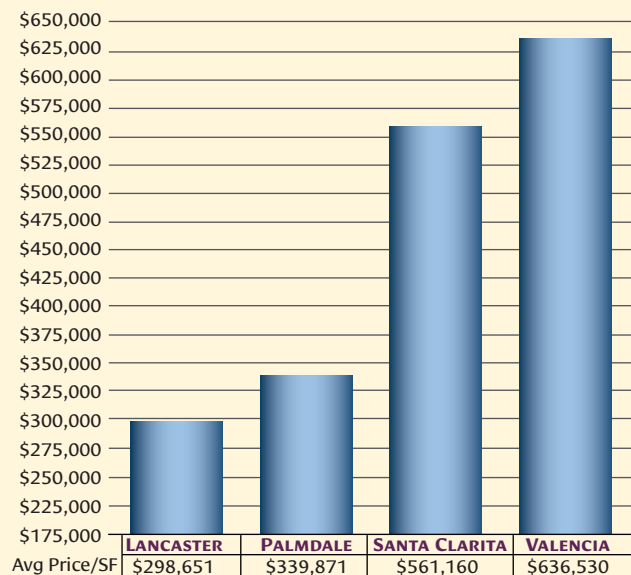
AREA	NUMBER OF UNITS SOLD			AVERAGE PRICE PER SQ FT			AVERAGE SALES PRICE		
	2018	2019	% OF CHANGE	2018	2019	% OF CHANGE	2018	2019	% OF CHANGE
Cal City, Mojave	453	453	0	\$89	\$100	13	\$136,925	\$154,176	13
Ridgecrest	658	609	-7	\$124	\$120	-3	\$200,574	\$198,805	-1
Rosamond Area	405	372	-8	\$154	\$162	5	\$251,052	\$264,989	6
Tehachapi Area	802	790	-1	\$156	\$164	5	\$283,093	\$294,806	4
Antelope Acres	82	81	-1	\$155	\$173	12	\$310,243	\$327,157	5
Lake Los Angeles	228	238	4	\$156	\$178	14	\$206,130	\$226,742	10
East Lancaster	911	903	-1	\$160	\$166	4	\$256,631	\$268,071	4
West Lancaster	1,458	1,540	6	\$175	\$168	-4	\$305,935	\$316,582	3
West Palmdale	913	961	5	\$182	\$187	3	\$382,831	\$401,906	5
East Palmdale	1,309	1,342	3	\$180	\$185	3	\$281,122	\$295,449	5
Littlerock	255	235	-8	\$186	\$189	2	\$272,818	\$283,364	4
Leona Valley	86	70	-19	\$221	\$251	13	\$359,340	\$394,578	10
<b>ALL AREAS</b>	<b>7,560</b>	<b>7,594</b>	<b>0.45</b>	<b>\$161</b>	<b>\$170</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>\$270,558</b>	<b>\$285,552</b>	<b>6</b>

The chart below demonstrates the considerable disparity in housing prices when comparing the nearby Santa Clarita Valley with the Antelope Valley's 2 major cities, Lancaster and Palmdale!

### AVERAGE PRICE/SF



### AVERAGE SALES PRICE



New home sales activity was pretty much on par with 2018 but saw a healthy, 12% increase in the average selling prices led by the West Palmdale market!

## ANTELOPE VALLEY HOME SALES 2019 VS 2018

AREA	UNITS SOLD			AVERAGE SALES PRICE		
	2018	2019	% CHANGE	2018	2019	% CHANGE
East Lancaster	33	51	55	\$345,364	\$359,647	4
West Lancaster	73	87	19	\$468,118	\$432,419	-8
West Palmdale	45	17	-62	\$459,144	\$647,912	41
East Palmdale	17	23	35	\$402,559	\$432,739	7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>\$418,796</b>	<b>\$468,179</b>	<b>12</b>



**\$155 / SQ. FT.**

*This 3,325 square foot 6-bedroom 3-bath home with in-ground pool built in 2002 in West Lancaster sold in May 2019 for \$515,000!*



**\$486 / SQ. FT.**

*This 1,080 square foot 3-bedroom 2-bath home built in 1961 in Santa Clarita Sold in November 2019 for \$525,000!*

The Antelope Valley continues to offer residents some of the most affordable housing in the state of California. Far from the typical perception of affordable housing, the Antelope Valley offers a large variety of spacious homes in an assortment of settings including gated communities and country club sites as well as equestrian estates and low density developments with lot sizes ranging from 1/2 to 2 1/2 acres. All this at some of the most affordable prices in Southern California!

Our housing market is not just about price, it is about **value!**



## TEJON RANCH

*Building the Legacy*

### TEJON RANCH DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

At 270,000 acres, Tejon Ranch is the largest single piece of private property in California. Located about 60 miles north of downtown Los Angeles along the Interstate 5 corridor, Tejon Ranch is almost as large as the city limits of Los Angeles itself.

Tejon Ranch also has a rich legacy. Comprised of four 1843-era Mexican land grants acquired by noted California pioneer Edward F. Beale, Tejon Ranch has played an important role in California history. The Tejon area, once home to the third largest populated settlement in Southern California, is now again poised to play a significant role in the golden state's future, as it seeks to develop a series of communities to help California deal with its housing supply and affordability crisis.

Tejon Ranch's regional development plan calls for the building of nearly 35,000 homes and the development of more than 35 million square feet of commercial/industrial space, all divided between four master planned developments—one commercial/industrial development, and three mixed-use communities.

Three of the developments are in Kern County, while the fourth, Centennial, is located in Los Angeles County along Highway 138, just east of I-5.

The Centennial specific plan was approved by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors in April 2019. The area was already designated for commercial and residential development in approved 2016 updates to both the Antelope Valley Areawide Plan and the Los Angeles County General Plan. Centennial will include interconnected mixed-use villages and a separate major business park. In total, it will bring 19,333 residential units and more than 10.1 million square feet of commercial space to northern Los Angeles County. Centennial will also build 3,480 affordable housing units, the largest commitment to affordable housing made by a private developer in the County.

Tejon Ranch's other planned residential communities include Mountain Village, a resort/residential community located in the prime high country of Tejon one ridge north of Centennial. Mountain Village will include 3,450 homes and separate resort and hotel facilities that could include up to 750 rooms. Kern County has approved tentative tract maps for the community and Tejon Ranch is currently engaged in the detailed engineering needed to submit final maps for development.

Grapevine, which is located at the base of the foothills in the San Joaquin Valley, is the Ranch's third mixed-use community. Located adjacent to the thriving Tejon Ranch Commerce Center, Grapevine consists of 12,000 homes and 5.1 million square feet of commercial space. It was re-approved by Kern County in December 2019 following a legal challenge.

The fourth development is the previously mentioned Tejon Ranch Commerce Center. It's already home to about six million square feet of commercial and industrial development, with room for more than 14 million square feet of additional space. The commerce center hosts the Outlets at Tejon, distribution centers for IKEA, Famous Footwear, Dollar General, Caterpillar and L'Oréal, a great array of food and fuel options for travelers and professional drivers alike—and more than 4,000 jobs.



# AIR QUALITY

**ANTELOPE VALLEY AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT:**  
661.723.8070 [AVaqmd.ca.gov](http://AVaqmd.ca.gov)

The Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District (AVAQMD) is located just a short distance from the Los Angeles Metropolitan Area. The AVAQMD is a practical, community partner that is always willing to work with businesses looking to make the Los Angeles County High Desert home.

The AVAQMD's ability to work with industry to find practical air quality solutions is one of the primary reasons large corporations and unique businesses continue to establish locations in the Antelope Valley.

With nearly 500,000 residents, the AVAQMD has managed to attract new industry and commerce while maintaining air quality standards through a cooperative program of planning, regulatory development, permitting, ambient air monitoring, compliance assistance and public education.

The proactive partnership between the AVAQMD and the regulated industries creates a strong local economy while maintaining high air quality standards.

To learn more about AVAQMD and its programs, visit [www.avaqmd.ca.gov](http://www.avaqmd.ca.gov) or call (661) 723-8070.

**Kern County Air Pollution Control District** 661.862.5250 [KernAir.org](http://KernAir.org)

The Board of Directors acts as the governing body of the East Kern Air Pollution Control District, a special district on east Kern County. The board consists of five members; three city council members and two county supervisors. Board meetings are open to the public. Board of

Directors are Don Parris, Councilman of California City; Eddie Thomas, Vice-Mayor of Ridgecrest; Mick Gleason, Kern County Supervisor 1st District and Zack Scrivner, Kern County Supervisor 2nd District.



# UTILITIES

UTILITY	PROVIDER	PHONE	WEB
Electricity	Southern California Edison	800.655.4555	SCE.com
Natural Gas	SoCal Gas Sempra Energy	800.427.2200	SOcalGas.com
Water Conservation	Mojave Public Utility District	661.824.4161	Wakc.com
TRASH			
Waste Management		661.947.7197	WM.com
Benz Sanitation		661.822.5273	BenzBlue.com
Kern County Waste Management		661.862.8900	KernCountyWaste.com





## ANTELOPE VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY ENABLES MOBILITY BY PROVIDING SERVICES THAT GET VALLEY RESIDENTS WHERE THEY NEED TO BE SAFELY, TIMELY AND COST EFFECTIVELY

In carrying out this mission AVTA's Fiscal 2019-2020 budget reflects total revenue and expenditures of \$29.2 million reflecting a 7% increase over the last fiscal year. AVTA plans to utilize this increase in revenue to provide reduced wait times on vital routes, and add four additional routes for the residents of the Antelope Valley. The following pages will summarize revenues and expenditures into general categories.

AVTA will spend nearly three quarters of its 29 million in revenue on operating and maintaining the fleet of vehicles for all services. Currently Transdev holds the operating and maintenance contract for AVTA's local and commuter routes, while Intelliride operates and maintains vehicles for AVTA's Dial-a-Ride service. Between these two contracts AVTA contributes nearly 170 jobs to the greater Antelope Valley. When added to AVTA's nearly 50 direct employees over 200 local jobs are supported by the AVTA.

## FY20 CAPITAL BUDGET SUMMARY

AVTA's FY20 Capital Spending Plan totals a new record high \$95.2 million.

Some of the Funding for capital expenditures in FY20 comes from the projected carryover of FY19 FTA Funds and associated toll credits.



A total of \$49.5 million will be spent on the battery electric fleet replacements as part of an 85 bus contract with local bus manufacturer BYD, \$20.1 million for service expansion vehicles, \$1.2 million for support vehicles and equipment, \$3.7 million for battery electric infrastructure, \$12.1 million for regional partnership projects, \$1.6 million in facilities improvements, \$573K facility equipment, \$704K in data & communications, \$5.8 million in security projects, and \$102K for planning and operating projects.

Investing in our community is a top priority at AVTA and the following table outlines six projects that will invest \$12.6 million in improvements including expansion of our Lancaster MetroLink Transit Center with new wireless charging, a new Transit Center with wireless charging at the South Valley Healthcare Clinic, and a small Transit Center at the AVC main campus. The chart below details all 12.1 million

The Authority has continually been engaged in researching and applying for all grants that will aid us in completing our FY20 capital program, while planning for future services, this effort is vigorous.

In the proposed FY20 capital spending plan, AVTA will conclude its strategic plan of replacing its diesel fleet with electric buses. The Authority is planning to receive the balance of the battery electric replacement bus fleet, in addition to five new expansion buses. FY20 will include the introduction of new 30-foot zero emission battery electric buses and microtransit vehicles - a first for the agency. Additionally, with the depot charging project complete, the Authority will turn its attention to the placement and construction of the outlying en-route chargers necessary to extend the daily mileage range of the electric buses.

### INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS

#### Regional Partnership Projects

Lancaster Metrolink Transit Center Expansion \$ 1,300,000

South Valley Healthcare Clinic Transit Center \$ 1,200,000

Antelope Valley College Transit Center \$ 500,000

#### Regional Partnerships Project - TBD

Shelters & Lighting \$ 2,400,000

Transfer Center Cameras \$ 265,000

#### Administration Facility Expansion

Land \$ 3,000,000

Facility Construction \$ 3,500,000

Regional Partnership Projects Total \$ 12,165,000

In conclusion the Antelope Valley Transit Authority's contribution to the Valley reaches far beyond our core mission of Providing and Empowering Mobility, the AVTA is a vital economic engine in the Valley providing good paying career oriented jobs, investing millions of dollars with local suppliers and contractors and capturing millions of dollars of State and Federal tax dollars for reinvestment here in the Antelope Valley.

### KERN REGIONAL TRANSIT

Provides scheduled bus service throughout the Antelope Valley from California City to Lancaster and Metrolink plus destinations throughout Kern County. A new transit center will begin service in Mojave to serve five bus lines serving East Kern, Eastern California, Mojave and the Antelope Valley with connections to Metrolink and Amtrak.

[KernTransit.org/routes-and-schedules/100-bakersfield-lancaster](http://KernTransit.org/routes-and-schedules/100-bakersfield-lancaster)

### MOJAVE REGIONAL TRANSIT

Transportation - A new transit center is being constructed to better serve bus lines that connect Mojave to the Southeast Kern and Antelope Valley region with Amtrak, Metrolink, shopping and employment.

Mojave leaders are also working to extend Metrolink service to Rosamond, Mojave, and California City to serve residents who commute to jobs in the Los Angeles area.

More and more businesses, the local California Highway Patrol office, the Mojave Air & Spaceport, and the Stater Brothers shopping center offer connections for powering electric vehicles.



## PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT

Groundwater storage projects are an essential component to ensuring a stable water supply for the Antelope Valley. In 2019, we teamed up with our neighboring water agencies to test a new project and complete another project. Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association kicked off a pilot project to test recharge capabilities at Big Rock Creek. The city of Palmdale, Palmdale Water District, L.A. County Waterworks, and Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency worked together to complete the Upper Amargosa Creek Recharge Project. Both projects have this purpose: To bring in water from the California Aqueduct during bountiful water years and store it for later use during dry years. This collaboration provides the A.V. with increased security for its future water supply.

### 2019 MILESTONES

Highlighting Palmdale Water District's 2019 accomplishments is the completion of the grade-control structure at the Littlerock Dam and Reservoir as part of the first phase of the Littlerock Sediment Removal Project. Delayed by incessant rain at the beginning of the year, construction of the roller-compacted concrete structure resumed in the fall. The multi-million-dollar grade-control project is critical to PWD's ability to store water. Before sediment can be removed from the reservoir to recover water storage capacity, the grade-control structure is needed to protect the federally endangered arroyo toad's habitat. Starting in the fall of 2020, the second phase of the project will begin with the removal of 1.2 million yards of sediment. This will take seven to 12 years and will increase the reservoir's capacity by 500 acre-feet, restoring it to the 1992 level of 3,500 acre feet. The third phase consists of PWD annually removing approximately 38,000 cubic yards of sediment to maintain water storage capacity in the reservoir. The project will maintain local water supply, provide greater flood control in the region, and protect the habitat of the federally endangered arroyo toad.

PWD is also proud to have initiated the Greater Antelope Valley Water Emergency Coalition event. It was co-hosted by the cities of Palmdale and Lancaster, AVEK, and L.A. County Department of Public Works, and brought together water agencies and other vital organizations in the Greater A.V. to discuss how we are prepared to assist each other during water emergencies due to natural disasters. The event drew a diverse group of speakers who have the knowledge and experience to share so that we can be more aware of the support system that is within our own community. Due to our proximity, the Greater AV water districts will always be dependent on each other. The plan is to have the event bridge our agencies

in a way that we can all cooperatively work together before the first disaster even hits.

Palmdale Water District employs 87 employees who work to provide high-quality water to customers within its 187-square-mile service boundaries in the City of Palmdale and in communities within unincorporated northeastern Los Angeles County.



*PWD construction crew working on repairs.*

As a local public agency, 100 percent of Palmdale Water District's activities and investment is in this region. PWD manages facilities and assets worth nearly \$194 million that are used to provide safe, reliable service to our customers. The adoption of a five-year revenue adjustment plan in 2019 by the PWD Board of Directors provides \$30 million for capital improvement projects through 2024.

### FUTURE TRENDS

**Water Storage** – The wild fluctuations in water supply continue to demonstrate the need for improved water storage projects spanning the entire length of the State Water Project (SWP). The next five years will bring an expansion in the number of viable water storage projects. Many of these projects will take surface water from the SWP and allow it to percolate into the ground, where it will be stored for later use. These projects will help California become more resilient to droughts by allowing increased water storage during wet years to be saved and later pumped back up from the ground when it is needed during dry spells. The Antelope Valley has tremendous underground storage capacity and is a prime location for these projects.

**Energy** - California's energy plan is constantly evolving. The legislative push towards increased use of renewable energy has dramatically changed the availability of energy supply. As solar energy increases, a greater portion of energy becomes available during the sunny hours of the day. This has created challenges in oversupply for energy providers. In the next few years, we will see energy rate structures change, new incentives for energy storage and programs to promote responsive and flexible energy use. As these changes occur, the water industry will adapt its operations to these rates, incentives and programs in order to



*Aerial view of the California Aqueduct, Lake Palmdale and the Leslie O. Carter Water Treatment Plant.*

pump and produce potable water in the most economical way. [PalmdaleWater.org](http://PalmdaleWater.org)

## ANTELOPE VALLEY WATER DISTRICT (AVEK)

Addressing the effects of climate change through science-based decision making and adaptive water resource management strategies is at the forefront of long-range



*Entrance to Palmdale Water District's headquarters.*

planning in the water industry. Faced with the uncertainty of future droughts and threats to the state's water supply reliability, AVEK continues building on a myriad of innovative strategies to diversify their water storage portfolio. The approval of a final agreement for a partnership with Metropolitan Water District to fund the construction of the High Desert Water Bank, a 1500-acre groundwater storage and recovery project, marks a new chapter in collaborative development. Additionally, AVEK is aggressively pursuing federal funding for a pipeline project that will close a major infrastructure gap, increasing operational flexibility and efficiency to maximize the utility of stored water.



*Crews building the grade control structure at the Littlerock Dam and Reservoir.*



Ground-breaking ceremony for the Upper Amargosa Creek Recharge Project. Project completed in December 2019.

**2019 MILESTONES**

- Final agreement made with Metropolitan Water District to fund the High Desert Water Bank
- Completed Value Engineering Workshop for the High Desert Water Bank
- Completed multiple water transfer agreements for better water management
- Developed the Upper Amargosa Creek Recharge Project in collaboration with agency partners
- Engaged local, state, and federal



First Greater Antelope Valley Water Emergency Coalition (GAVWEC) Water Emergency Summit.

- legislators to support funding for the South-North Intertie Pipeline Phase II Project
- Washington D.C. legislative trip and follow-up advocacy to initiate federal funding for the South-North Intertie Pipeline Phase II Project
- Secured over \$1M in Proposition 1 grant

funding under the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP) for infrastructure projects

- Conducted special water quality testing in response to new state regulations regarding PFAS / PFOA in drinking water
- Conducted emergency response planning efforts in collaboration with local entities
- Purchased emergency generators and transport vehicle



State legislators tour AVEK's state-of-the-art laboratory where water quality testing is performed in compliance with new and existing state regulations regarding drinking water.

- Co-formed the first Greater Antelope Valley Water Emergency Coalition (GAVWEC) and co-hosted the Antelope Valley's first Water Emergency Summit
- Upgraded agency GIS, water metering, and document management systems
- Engaged and educated the community on water issues and local conservation efforts
- Launched a new agency website to meet ADA compliance requirements
- Integrated the use of UAVs for the adaptive management of water resources
- Provided administrative support services for the Antelope Valley Watermaster
- Continued participation in the USGS Groundwater Monitoring Program

**EMPLOYEES**

AVEK employees approximately 50 people.

**FUTURE TRENDS**

- Investments in infrastructure and resources to support new residential and commercial development
- Continued innovation in natural resource management including groundwater storage, recovery, and delivery
- New agricultural production of sustainable crops such as hemp
- Efforts to increase our resilience to natural disasters such as earthquakes, fires, and floods
- Continued investment in renewable energy resources



Value Engineering Workshop held for the High Desert Water Bank.

**RESOURCES**

- [AVEK.org/water-banking](http://AVEK.org/water-banking)
- [SWC.org/documents-archive/filter/fact-sheets](http://SWC.org/documents-archive/filter/fact-sheets)
- [SWC.org/in-the-news](http://SWC.org/in-the-news)
- [SWC.org/in-the-news/2726/future-climate-change-starts-with-steps-now](http://SWC.org/in-the-news/2726/future-climate-change-starts-with-steps-now)

**WATER RESOURCES & LINKS:**

- Palmdale Water District – [PalmdaleWater.org](http://PalmdaleWater.org)
- Association of California Water Agencies – [ACWA.com](http://ACWA.com)
- Antelope Valley Integrated Regional Water Management Plan - [AVWaterPlan.org](http://AVWaterPlan.org)
- Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Assn. - [AVSWCA.org](http://AVSWCA.org)
- California Department of Water Resources – [Water.CA.gov](http://Water.CA.gov)
- Indian Wells Valley Water District - [IWWVD.com](http://IWWVD.com)
- Kern County Water Agency - [KCWA.com](http://KCWA.com)
- Kern County Integrated Regional Water Management Plan - [KernIRWMP.com](http://KernIRWMP.com)
- Tehachapi-Cummings County Water District - [TCCWD.com](http://TCCWD.com)
- Water Assn. of Kern County - [WAKC.com](http://WAKC.com)
- Water Research Foundation - [WaterRF.org](http://WaterRF.org)
- American Association of Water Works - [awwa.org](http://awwa.org)
- State Water Contractors - [swc.org](http://swc.org)
- California Water Science Center/USGS - [CA.Water.usgs.gov](http://CA.Water.usgs.gov)



High Desert Water Banking facilities.

# ENTERTAINMENT, RECREATION, PARKS, EVENTS AND *Fun!*

## REGIONAL COMMUNITY EVENTS

### CALIFORNIA CITY

[CaliforniaCityChamber.com](http://CaliforniaCityChamber.com)

- Desert Tortoise Naturalist Season (March 17 - June 27)
- Desert Tortoise Days (April 27-28)
- Whiptails Pro/Indy-baseball (May-Jul)
- Fireworks Gala (July 4)
- Wasteland Weekend (Sept 25-29)
- Cancer Walk (Oct)
- Renaissance Festival & Model Train show (3rd wknd in Oct)
- Christmas tree lighting/Parade, Holiday Village (Dec)

### LANCASTER

[DestinationLancasterCA.org/events](http://DestinationLancasterCA.org/events)

- The BLVD Market (Every Thursday, Year-Round)
- Toyota of Lancaster Concert Series; (Every Thursday, Jun-Oct)
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service (Jan)
- Lancaster Performing Arts Center Foundation "The Speakeasy" (Jan)
- Heart Sounds Annual Charity Gala (Feb)
- Los Angeles County Air Show (Mar)
- Monday Bitez (Apr-Oct)
- Egg Hunt Extravaganza, California Poppy Festival (Apr)
- California Poppy Festival (Apr)
- Relay for Life (May)
- A.V. Hospital Golf Tournament (May)
- Mother's Day Tea & Exhibition Preview (May)
- Concert Series (Jun-Sept)
- Thunder Cruise in (Jun)
- LPAC Foundation Gala and Grand Auction (Jun)
- Fallen Heroes ride (Jun)
- 4th of July Extravaganza at the fairgrounds (Jul)
- Antelope Valley Fair Parade (Aug)
- Antelope Valley Fair (Aug)
- Desert Haven Fundraiser (Sept)
- MOPAR Car Show (Sept)
- Celebrate America on the BLVD (Sept)
- A.V. International Multicultural festival (Sept)
- A.V. Greek Festival (Sept)
- A.V. Hospital Gala (Sept)
- Streets of Lancaster Grand Prix (Sept)
- Bark at the Park (Oct)
- High Desert Medical Group Senior Expo (Oct)
- Lancaster Museum and public Art Foundation Gala and VIP Party (Oct)
- The BOOLVD Halloween & Harvest Festival (Oct)
- Field of Drafts Beer Festival (Nov)
- Chamber of Commerce Christmas Party (Dec)
- A Magical BLVD Christmas (Dec)
- Breakfast with Santa (Dec)

### MOJAVE

[VisitMojave.com/mojave-chamber-of-commerce](http://VisitMojave.com/mojave-chamber-of-commerce)

- Plane Crazy Saturdays @ MASP (Every 3rd Sat., Year round)
- Gold Rush Days (Oct)
- Salute to Veterans (Nov)
- Christmas Trees lighting (Dec)

### QUARTZ HILL

[QuartzHillChamber.com](http://QuartzHillChamber.com)

- Almond Blossom Festival (Mar)
- Easter Sunrise Service (Mar/April)
- Fishing Derby (Mar, May & Nov)
- Juneteenth (Jun)
- Summer Concert and Movie (Jun - Sept)

### PALMDALE

[CityOfPalmdale.org](http://CityOfPalmdale.org)

- Art Exhibits at Palmdale Playhouse (Jan, Mar, Apr, Sept)
- Children's Springfest & Egg Hunt (Spring)
- Inkwell Book & Art Festival (May)
- Youthbuild 5K (May)
- AV Taco Festival (Jun)
- Freedom Celebration & Fireworks (Jun/July)
- Palmdale Amphitheater Concert Series (Summer)
- Music in the Parks (Summer)
- Family Movie Nights at Palmdale Amphitheater (Summer)
- National Night Out (Summer)
- Sundown at DryTown (Summer)
- Family Fun Friday at DryTown Waterpark (Summer)
- Splash Theatre at DryTown Water Park (Summer)
- Kiwanis Club of the AV Rubber Duck Race (Sept)
- 5K Run for Hope (Sept)
- 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony (Sept)
- Gracefest Christian Music Festival (Sept)
- National Women's Health & Fitness Day (Sept)
- Kaleidoscope Art and Music Festival (Oct)
- Veterans Day Ceremony (Nov)
- Heart Walk (Nov)
- Santa's Wonderland at Palmdale Playhouse (Nov/Dec)
- Singalong with Santa at Palmdale Playhouse (Dec)
- Jingle Bell Run (Dec)
- Palmdale Chamber Christmas Parade (Dec)
- American Classic Christmas (Dec)
- Joe Davies Heritage Air Park Guided Tours (year-round)

### RIDGECREST

[VisitDeserts.com](http://VisitDeserts.com)

- Farmers Market (Weekly)
- Economic Outlook Conference (Feb)
- Petroglyph Tours (Spring and Fall)
- Wildflower Exhibit (Apr)
- Star Follies (May)
- Desert Empire Fair (Oct)
- Ridgecrest Petroglyph Festival (Nov)
- Ridgecrest Desert Classic-High Sierra Cyclists (Nov)
- High Desert Ultra Marathon 50K/30K-OTHTC (Dec)
- Farmers Markets (Weekly)

### TEHACHAPI

[Tehachapi.com/calendar.php](http://Tehachapi.com/calendar.php), [TVRPD.org](http://TVRPD.org) and [MainStreetTehachapi.org/events](http://MainStreetTehachapi.org/events)

- Easter Egg Hunt (Apr)
- Brite Lake Fishing Derby (Apr)
- Run & Ride with the Wind 5k and Duathlon (May)
- Movies In The Park (Jun, Jul, Aug)
- All American 4th of July Festival & Fireworks (Jul)
- Sip Sip Hooray (Jul)
- Tehachapi Mountain Rodeo - Bad Bulls (Jul)
- Tehachapi Mountain Festival (Aug)
- Cheers to Charity (Aug)
- Tehachapi Mountain Rodeo - TMRA Finals (Aug)
- Tehachapi GranFondo (Sept)



Brite Valley Aquatic Recreation Area



Quartz Hill Library

- Tehachapi Apple Festival (Oct)
- Ugly Christmas Sweater Wine Walk (Nov)
- Christmas Bazaar (Dec)
- Christmas tree lighting/Parade (Dec)

## **LIBRARIES**

Book Mobile - [LacountyLibrary.org/antelope-valley-bookmobile](http://LacountyLibrary.org/antelope-valley-bookmobile)  
 Kern County Libraries - [KernCountyLibrary.org](http://KernCountyLibrary.org)  
 Los Angeles County Libraries - [CoLAPubLib.org](http://CoLAPubLib.org)  
 Quartz Hill Library - [LacountyLibrary.org/quartz-hill-library](http://LacountyLibrary.org/quartz-hill-library)  
 Palmdale City Library - [CityofPalmdale.org/library](http://CityofPalmdale.org/library)

## **MUSEUMS**

### **20 Mule Team Museum**

[20MuleTeamMuseum.com](http://20MuleTeamMuseum.com)

### **Antelope Valley Indian Museum**

[AVIM.Parks.ca.gov](http://AVIM.Parks.ca.gov)

### **Blackbird Air Park @ Edwards Air Force Base**

[AFFTCMuseum.org/blackbird-airpark](http://AFFTCMuseum.org/blackbird-airpark)

### **China Lake Museum**

[ChinaLakeMuseum.org](http://ChinaLakeMuseum.org)

### **Colonel Vernon P. Saxon, Jr. Aerospace Museum**

[SaxonAerospaceMuseum.com](http://SaxonAerospaceMuseum.com)

### **East Kern Historical Museum Society**

[EKHMS.weebly.com](http://EKHMS.weebly.com)

### **Edwards Air Force Flight Test Museum**

[AFFTCMuseum.org](http://AFFTCMuseum.org)

### **Historical Society of the Upper Mojave Desert**

[HSUMD.org](http://HSUMD.org)

### **Joe Davies Heritage Airpark @ Palmdale Plant 42**

[CityOfPalmdale.org/Airpark](http://CityOfPalmdale.org/Airpark)

### **Kern Valley Museum**

[KernValleyMuseum.org](http://KernValleyMuseum.org)

### **Lancaster Museum/Art Gallery MOAH**

[LancasterMOAH.org](http://LancasterMOAH.org)

### **Maturango Museum @ Ridgecrest**

[Maturango.org](http://Maturango.org)

### **Mojave Desert Heritage and Cultural Assn.**

[MDHCA.org](http://MDHCA.org)

### **Mojave Transportation Museum**

[MojaveMuseum.org](http://MojaveMuseum.org)

### **Rand Desert Museum**

[RandDesertMuseum.com](http://RandDesertMuseum.com)

### **Tehachapi Errea House**

[TehachapiMuseum.org](http://TehachapiMuseum.org)

### **Tehachapi Heritage League Museum**

[TehachapiMuseum.org](http://TehachapiMuseum.org)

### **Tehachapi Railroad Museum**

[TehachapiDepot.com](http://TehachapiDepot.com)

### **Trona History House and Old Guest House Museum**

[www1.iwvisp.com/svhs](http://www1.iwvisp.com/svhs)

### **US Naval Museum of Armament & Technology**

[ChinaLakeMuseum.org](http://ChinaLakeMuseum.org)

### **Western Hotel Museum**

[LancasterMoah.org/western-hotel-museum](http://LancasterMoah.org/western-hotel-museum)

## **PERFORMING ARTS**

### **AV Symphony Orchestra & Master Chorale**

[AVSOMC.avc.edu](http://AVSOMC.avc.edu)

### **Beekay Theatre**

[TCTOnStage.com](http://TCTOnStage.com)

### **Community Light Opera & Theater**

[Ridgecrest-Arts.org](http://Ridgecrest-Arts.org)

### **Lancaster Performing Arts**

[LPAC.org](http://LPAC.org)

### **Palmdale Amphitheater**

[PalmdaleAmphitheater.com](http://PalmdaleAmphitheater.com)

### **Palmdale Playhouse**

[PalmdalePlayhouse.com](http://PalmdalePlayhouse.com)



US Naval Museum in China Lake.

## **LANCASTER**

[DestinationLancasterCA.org/things-to-do/things-to-do-breweries-and-wineries](http://DestinationLancasterCA.org/things-to-do/things-to-do-breweries-and-wineries)

Antelope Valley Winery [AVWinery.com](http://AVWinery.com)

Bravery Brewing Company [BraveryBrewing.com](http://BraveryBrewing.com)

## **GREATER TEHACHAPI WINERIES, VINEYARDS & BREWERIES:**

**Dorner Family Vineyard** [DornerFamilyVineyard.com](http://DornerFamilyVineyard.com)

**Local Craft Beer, Inc.** [Instagram.com/localcraftbeer](https://www.instagram.com/localcraftbeer)  
[facebook.com/localcraftbeer/?rf=1621102548107403](https://www.facebook.com/localcraftbeer/?rf=1621102548107403)

**Rancho de los Viajeros Vineyard** [RanchodelosViajeros.com](http://RanchodelosViajeros.com)

**Stray Leaves Vineyard** [Facebook.com/StrayLeavesVineyard/](https://www.facebook.com/StrayLeavesVineyard/)

### **Tehachapi Wine & Cattle Co**

[TehachapiWineAndCattleCompany.com](http://TehachapiWineAndCattleCompany.com)

**Triassic Legacy Vineyards** [TriassicVineyards.com](http://TriassicVineyards.com)

**Westlane Brewing** [WestlaneBrewing.net](http://WestlaneBrewing.net)

## **ACTON / AGUA DULCE AREA WINERIES:**

Agua Dulce Winery [AguaDulceWinery.com](http://AguaDulceWinery.com)

Reyes Winery [ReyesWinery.com](http://ReyesWinery.com)

Acton Wine & Spirt Co. [ActonWine.com](http://ActonWine.com)

## **PALMDALE:**

Transplants Brewing Company [TransplantsBrewing.com](http://TransplantsBrewing.com)

Lucky Luke Brewing [LuckyLukeBrewing.com](http://LuckyLukeBrewing.com)

## **MOJAVE:**

High Desert Cellars [HighDesertCellars.com](http://HighDesertCellars.com)

## **INYOKERN:**

Indian Wells Valley Brewing Company

## **RETAIL THERAPY**

Antelope Valley Mall  
[AV-Mall.com](http://AV-Mall.com)

THE BLVD:  
[TheBLVDLancaster.com](http://TheBLVDLancaster.com)

Destination Lancaster  
[DestinationLancasterCA.org](http://DestinationLancasterCA.org)

Main Street Tehachapi  
[MainStreetTehachapi.org](http://MainStreetTehachapi.org)

Palmdale Restaurants &  
Shopping  
[CityOfPalmdale.org/Visitors](http://CityOfPalmdale.org/Visitors)

## **MOVIE THEATERS**

Movie Theaters Check your local listings.

## **SPORTS VENUES / PARKS**

**Aspen Builders Activities Center** - Tehachapi  
Basketball, volleyball, gymnasium [TVRPD.org](http://TVRPD.org)

**Balsitis Park - Rio Tinto Field** - Cal City

**Best of the West® Softball Complex** - Palmdale  
Eight world-class, year-round softball fields  
[CityOfPalmdale.org/BOTW](http://CityOfPalmdale.org/BOTW)

**Big 8 Softball Complex** - Lancaster [Big8.org](http://Big8.org)

**Braves Park** - Tehachapi

**Cal City Central Park** - 80 acres with 22 acre lake  
[CaliforniaCity-CA.gov](http://CaliforniaCity-CA.gov)

**Cal City Motocross Park** [CalCityMXPark.com](http://CalCityMXPark.com)

**DryTown Water Park** - Palmdale [DryTownWaterPark.com](http://DryTownWaterPark.com)

**Herman Cooper Ball Park** - Cal City

**The Lancaster JetHawks** - Our hometown minor league  
affiliate of the Colorado Rockies. [MILB.com/lancaster](http://MILB.com/lancaster)

**Lancaster National Soccer Center**  
35 premium fields, 11 fields fully lighted [LancasterSoccerCenter.com](http://LancasterSoccerCenter.com)

**Los Angeles County Raceway Motocross** - Palmdale  
[LACRMX.net](http://LACRMX.net)

**Meadowbrook Park & Dog Park**  
[TVRPD.org/parks-facilities/meadowbrook-dog-park.html](http://TVRPD.org/parks-facilities/meadowbrook-dog-park.html)

**Scout Island** - Lodge and Campground - Cal City

**Willow Springs International Raceway** - Rosamond  
[WillowSpringsRaceway.com](http://WillowSpringsRaceway.com)

**Orion Dog Park** - Cal City

**Pelona Vista Park Soccer Complex** - Palmdale  
10 Soccer Fields, lights available [CityofPalmdale.org](http://CityofPalmdale.org)

**Philip Marx Central Park** - Tehachapi  
Trees and grass, gazebo, picnic tables, restrooms and playgrounds  
[TVRPD.org](http://TVRPD.org)

**Railroad Park** - Tehachapi  
[Facebook.com/pages/Railroad-Park/287359465357827](https://Facebook.com/pages/Railroad-Park/287359465357827)

**“The Nest” Tehachapi Mountain Roller Hockey Rink**  
- Tehachapi [facebook.com/TIHLhockey/](https://facebook.com/TIHLhockey/)

**Tehachapi Event Center and Rodeo Grounds** -  
Tehachapi [TehachapiProRodeo.com](http://TehachapiProRodeo.com)

**Tehachapi Mountain Park** - Tehachapi  
Hiking, camping and group outings  
[KernCounty.com/gsd/parks/tehachapi.aspx](http://KernCounty.com/gsd/parks/tehachapi.aspx)

**Tejon Park Equestrian Arena** - Tehachapi  
[Equestrian.tejonranch.com](http://Equestrian.tejonranch.com)

**Yellen Dog Park** - Palmdale  
Palmdale's newest park [Facebook.com/YellenDogPark](https://Facebook.com/YellenDogPark)

**Warrior Park** - Tehachapi  
[Facebook.com/pages/Warrior-Park/350499601702743](https://Facebook.com/pages/Warrior-Park/350499601702743)

**West Park** - Tehachapi  
baseball fields, snack bar, playground, basketball court, picnic  
pavilion and restrooms [TVRPD.org/parks-facilities/west-park.html](http://TVRPD.org/parks-facilities/west-park.html)

## **PUBLIC PARKS**

**Los Angeles County Department of Parks and  
Recreation** [Parks.LACounty.gov](http://Parks.LACounty.gov)

### **LOCAL L.A. COUNTY PARKS:**

Acton Park ♦ Apollo Park ♦ Everett Martin Park ♦ George Lane Park ♦  
Jackie Robinson Park ♦ Pearblossom Park ♦ Stephen Sorensen Park

### **NATURAL AREAS/NATURE CENTERS:**

Devil's Punchbowl Natural Area and Nature Center  
Vasquez Rocks Natural Area and Nature Center

### **HIGH DESERT WILDFLOWER AND WILDLIFE SANCTUARIES:**

Acton Wash Wildlife Sanctuary  
Alpine Butte Wildlife Sanctuary  
Big Rock Creek Wash Wildlife Sanctuary  
Blalock Wildlife Sanctuary

**Kern County Parks and Recreation**  
[KernCountyParks.org](http://KernCountyParks.org)

**Desert Tortoise Preserve** - DTRNA - BLM  
[Tortoise-Tracks.org/wptortoisetracks/visiting-the-dtrna](http://Tortoise-Tracks.org/wptortoisetracks/visiting-the-dtrna)

### **PUBLIC USE BUILDINGS:**

Boron Recreation Bldg. ♦ Hummel Hall ♦ Mojave Recreation Bldg. ♦  
Mojave Veterans and Seniors Bldg. ♦ Rosamond Recreation Bldg. ♦  
Tehachapi Veterans Memorial Bldg.

### **PALMDALE PARKS & RECREATION**

[CityOfPalmdale.org/174/Parks-and-Recreation](http://CityOfPalmdale.org/174/Parks-and-Recreation)

### **Special Use Parks**

American Indian Little League, Joe Davies Heritage Airpark,  
Palmdale Pony League Baseball Fields, Tejon Park Equestrian Arena,  
Yellen Dog Park

### **Greenways and Special Use Trails**

Dr. Robert C. St. Clair Parkway ♦ Legacy Park ♦ Ponciltán Square ♦  
Barrel Springs Trail ♦ Joshua Ranch Trail ♦ Amargosa Creek Recharge

### **Recreation Facilities**

Chris O'Leary Skatepark ♦ Desert Sands recreation building ♦  
Domenic Massari Community building ♦ DryTown Water Park ♦  
Chimbole Cultural Center ♦ Legacy Commons for Active Seniors  
♦ Marie Kerr Park Recreation Center, Skatepark and Swimming  
Pool ♦ Melville J. Courson Park and Swimming Pool ♦ Palmdale  
Amphitheater ♦ Palmdale City Library ♦ Palmdale Oasis Park  
Recreation Center and Swimming Pool ♦ Palmdale Playhouse ♦  
William J. McAdam Park and Swimming Pool

### **Regional Camping/Hiking/Fishing/Boating/ Hunting**

Angeles National Forest  
[FS.usda.gov/angeles](http://FS.usda.gov/angeles)

Brite Valley Aquatic Recreation Area  
[TVRPD.org/parks-facilities/brite-lake.html](http://TVRPD.org/parks-facilities/brite-lake.html)

CA State Parks  
[Parks.ca.gov](http://Parks.ca.gov)

California City Butte Bagging  
[CaliforniaCityChamber.com/butte-bagging](http://CaliforniaCityChamber.com/butte-bagging)

Devils Punchbowl  
[Parks.LAcounty.gov/devils-punchbowl-natural-area-and-nature-center](http://Parks.LAcounty.gov/devils-punchbowl-natural-area-and-nature-center)

Indian Hill Ranch & RV Park  
[Indianhillranch.com](http://Indianhillranch.com)

High Desert Camping Info  
[TotalEscape.com](http://TotalEscape.com)

LA County Trails Website  
[Trails.LACounty.gov](http://Trails.LACounty.gov)

Lake Isabella / Kernville  
[Lakelsabella.net](http://Lakelsabella.net)

Littlerock Reservoir and Dam  
[DBW.CA.gov/BoatingFacilities/Details/131](http://DBW.CA.gov/BoatingFacilities/Details/131)

Mountain Valley RV Park  
[SkylarkNorth.com/RV\\_Park.htm](http://SkylarkNorth.com/RV_Park.htm)

Pacific Crest Trail  
[PCTA.org](http://PCTA.org)

Red Rock State Park  
[Parks.CA.gov/?page\\_id=631](http://Parks.CA.gov/?page_id=631)

Saddleback Butte State Park  
[Parks.CA.gov/?page\\_id=618](http://Parks.CA.gov/?page_id=618)

Sequoia & Kings Cyn. National Forest  
[NPS.gov/seki/index.htm](http://NPS.gov/seki/index.htm)

Tehachapi Loop - For Train Enthusiasts  
[VisitTehachapi.com/play/555-tehachapi-loop.html](http://VisitTehachapi.com/play/555-tehachapi-loop.html)

Trona Pinnacles  
[DesertUSA.com/thingstodo/ttdtrails/du\\_ttd\\_trona.html](http://DesertUSA.com/thingstodo/ttdtrails/du_ttd_trona.html)

US Forest Service  
[Recreation.gov](http://Recreation.gov)

Vasquez Rocks Natural Area  
[Parks.LACounty.gov/vasquez-rocks-natural-area-and-nature-center](http://Parks.LACounty.gov/vasquez-rocks-natural-area-and-nature-center)

Borax Bill - OHV central  
[CaliforniaCityChamber.com/ohv](http://CaliforniaCityChamber.com/ohv)

OHV Riding  
[OHV.Parks.CA.gov](http://OHV.Parks.CA.gov)

CA Trail Users Coalition  
[CTUC.info/ctuc](http://CTUC.info/ctuc)

Jawbone Canyon OHV Park  
[Jawbone.org](http://Jawbone.org)

Robbers Roost  
[Digital-Desert.com/robbers-roost](http://Digital-Desert.com/robbers-roost)

### **OTHER POINTS OF INTEREST**

California Poppy Reserve  
[DestinationLancasterCA.org/visitor/onlyinav/poppyreserve](http://DestinationLancasterCA.org/visitor/onlyinav/poppyreserve)

Aerospace Walk of Honor - Lancaster  
[DestinationLancasterCA.org/visitor/onlyinav/walkofhonor](http://DestinationLancasterCA.org/visitor/onlyinav/walkofhonor)

Exotic Feline Conservation Center  
[CatHouse-FCC.org](http://CatHouse-FCC.org)

Indian Point Ostrich Ranch  
[IndianPointRanch.com](http://IndianPointRanch.com)

Joe Davies Heritage Airpark  
[CityofPalmdale.org/Airpark](http://CityofPalmdale.org/Airpark)

Musical Road  
[DestinationLancasterCA.org/visitor/onlyinav/musicalroad](http://DestinationLancasterCA.org/visitor/onlyinav/musicalroad)

Prime Desert Woodland Preserve  
[CityOfLancasterCA.org/about-us/departments-services/parks-recreation-arts/parks/prime-desert-woodland-preserve](http://CityOfLancasterCA.org/about-us/departments-services/parks-recreation-arts/parks/prime-desert-woodland-preserve)

Windswept Ranch - Tehachapi  
[VisitTehachapi.com/play/586-windswept-ranch.html#.VqkTkPkrKUK](http://VisitTehachapi.com/play/586-windswept-ranch.html#.VqkTkPkrKUK)

The Living Ghost Town  
[RandDesertMuseum.com](http://RandDesertMuseum.com)

Tomo Kahni Resource Center  
[VisitTehachapi.com/play/563-tomo-kahni-state-historic-parkresource-center.html](http://VisitTehachapi.com/play/563-tomo-kahni-state-historic-parkresource-center.html)

### **COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTERS**

South Antelope Valley Emergency Services (SAVES)  
[CityOfPalmdale.org/SAVES](http://CityOfPalmdale.org/SAVES)

### **NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSES**

#### **LANCASTER:**

Nine Neighborhood Impact homes; Seven Wellness Homes  
[CityOfLancasterca.org/residents/local-resources/wellness-neighborhood-impact-homes](http://CityOfLancasterca.org/residents/local-resources/wellness-neighborhood-impact-homes)

#### **PALMDALE:**

Neighborhood Houses and Community Gardens:  
[CityOfPalmdale.org/Houses](http://CityOfPalmdale.org/Houses)



## MOJAVE AIR & SPACE PORT

The Antelope Valley continues to be a leading force in aerospace industry innovation facilitating the integration of government and non-government agencies, companies, and programs. The steady growth of commercial space, \$400 billion annually, is a positive indicator for AV aerospace industry sectors-from services, to research and development, and aerospace.

### 2019 MILESTONES

Mojave provided the operations environment necessary for Virgin Galactic to launch two commercial space flights- one of which was the first crewed U.S. spaceflight since 2011 and first commercial space flight since 2004. In April, a giant winged shadow filled the skies over the Antelope Valley as the Stratolaunch aircraft successfully completed its first flight at Mojave Air & Space Port. Supporting our general aviation and aircraft test and evaluation roots, we added a third Oshkosh

T-3000 Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting vehicle to our fleet and completed our Air Traffic Control radio upgrade. Additionally, Mojave Air & Space Port hosted the FAA and conducted our first Local Runway Safety Action Team meeting- a forum for local area flyers, corporate and government aerospace agencies to integrate, share ideas, and enhance aviation safety. Rounding out 2019 highlights, Mojave Air & Space Port continues to draw unique visitors such as the Royal Air Force Aerobatic Team-The Red Arrows.

In addition to the Mojave Air & Space Port, there are several businesses on the airport grounds. Together we boast over 2500 full and part-time employees and that number is expected to grow in the next several years.

Over the next five years, the aerospace industry will experience increased UAS, commercial space operations, hybrid-electric power vertical takeoff and landing (eVTOL) aircraft, and hyper-sonics. Mojave in-particular, will continue to see increased operations in the areas of rocket engine testing, UAS testing, and continued development in commercial space launch platforms. Aerospace - The Spaceship Company builds spaceships for its cousin, Virgin Galactic, that will carry space tourists to the dark skies of space.

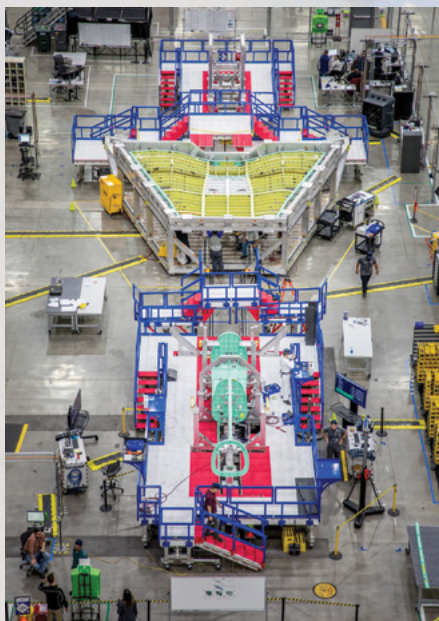
Scaled Composites is the aerospace pioneer at the Mojave Air & Spaceport, continuing its history of innovation by building aircraft ranging from

Stratolaunch, the world's largest aircraft, to a wide variety of aircraft by designing, building and testing innovative aircraft to meet customer specifications.

PPG Aerospace manufactures many of the aerospace coatings and sealants used worldwide by airlines and NASA's Space Shuttles when they were in operation.



Los Angeles County air show in the Antelope Valley.



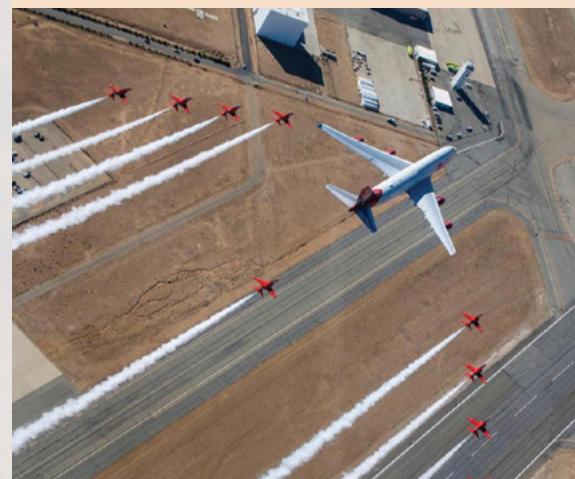
Lockheed Martin production.



Mojave Air & Space Port Air Traffic Control Tower



Mojave Air & Space Port Fire Department



Cosmic Girl" and "Red Arrows" in formation over Mojave Air & Space Port



The B-2 at 30: Evolution of the Stealth Bomber



Northrop Grumman Recognized with Manufacturing Leadership Awards.



Northrop Grumman Palmdale Facility Awarded Quality Plant of the Year



Northrop Grumman Delivers 500th Center Fuselage for the F-35 Lightning II

# NORTHROP GRUMMAN

FALLS CHURCH, Va. – July 9, 2019 – The board of directors of Northrop Grumman Corporation (NYSE: NOC) has elected Kathy J. Warden as its chairman, effective August 1, 2019. Warden will serve as chairman, chief executive officer and president. Warden succeeds Wes Bush, who has served as chairman since July 2011. As previously announced, Bush will retire from the company and resign from the board on July 31, 2019. Donald E. Felsing will continue to serve as the company's lead independent director.

## 2019 MILESTONES

Northrop Grumman is one of the largest private aerospace employers in the Antelope Valley.

- Northrop Grumman Aircraft Integration Center of Excellence won two awards this year, please see below.
- The site provides assembly, integration, testing and long-term maintenance capabilities for some of the world's most advanced aircraft systems including the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter, B-2 Spirit bomber, and the RQ-4 Global Hawk and MQ-4C Triton unmanned aircraft.

## The B-2 at 30: Evolution of the Stealth Bomber

There are moments in aviation history that spell a quantum leap in technology, a real game changing event fueled by the power of human ingenuity and innovation.

This is the story of the U.S. Air Force B-2 Spirit, one of the most survivable aircraft in the world — from its cutting edge flying wing design to its evolution as the world's only stealth bomber.

July 17 marks 30 years since the Northrop Grumman-designed B-2 Spirit first took to the skies. Three decades later, the iconic flying wing is more advanced than ever and in a class of its own. Morphing with the times, the B-2's avionics technology, stealth and armament have evolved to ensure U.S. air dominance.

## Northrop Grumman Recognized with Manufacturing Leadership Awards

PALMDALE, Calif. – March 20, 2019 – Northrop Grumman Corporation (NYSE: NOC) has been recognized by the National Association of Manufacturers with Manufacturing Leadership Awards for three of its aircraft manufacturing capabilities. The cutting-edge capabilities harness metadata, analytics, and virtual and augmented reality in multiple Northrop Grumman manufacturing programs.

## Northrop Grumman Palmdale Facility Awarded Quality Plant of the Year

PALMDALE, Calif. – March 1, 2019 – Northrop Grumman Corporation's (NYSE: NOC) Palmdale Aircraft Integration Center of Excellence has been named the Quality Plant of the Year by Quality Magazine. Each year the publication awards this recognition to a manufacturing plant in the U.S.

## Northrop Grumman Delivers 500th Center Fuselage for the F-35 Lightning II

PALMDALE, Calif. – Feb. 25, 2019 – Northrop Grumman Corporation (NYSE: NOC) has completed the 500th center fuselage for the F-35 Lightning II – ahead of schedule.

Next year, the aerospace and defense industry will probably hire 58,000 to 60,000 people across the country in a mix of new jobs and to account for attrition and retirements, said Carole Rickard Hedden, editorial director of Aviation Week Executive Intelligence, which produces a yearly report on the industry workforce.

About one-third of those hires will be on the West Coast.



# LOCKHEED MARTIN

The Antelope Valley location is home to the iconic Skunk Works® known for solutions that push the state of the art in support of the nation's most pressing needs. Working advanced development projects, the Skunk Works team is focused on innovative design, development, rapid

prototyping, advanced manufacture, integration and sustainment of both manned and unmanned aircraft systems. LockheedMartin.com



## Los Angeles County

### Top 5 Crop Commodities

Crop	Value
Woody Ornamentals.....	\$57,000,000
Root Vegetables.....	\$16,000,000
Bedding Plants.....	\$15,300,000
Alfalfa Hay.....	\$10,500,000
Dairy & Livestock.....	\$10,000,000

**Total: \$108,800,000**

**Total Value of**

**Agricultural Production: \$200,538,410**

L.A. County Agricultural Commission LACFB.org/crop-reports-2

## Kern County

### Top 5 Crop Commodities

Crop	Value
Grapes.....	\$1,512,473,000
Almonds.....	\$1,235,158,000
Citrus.....	\$1,063,063,000
Milk.....	\$591,895,000
Cattle.....	\$254,995,000

**Total: \$4,657,584,000**

**Total Value of**

**Agricultural Production: \$ 7,465,847,000**

KernAg.com/caap/crop-reports/crop10\_19/crop2018.pdf  
Kern County Agricultural Commissioner KernAG.com



## MOJAVE AGRICULTURE

**Agriculture** - TriCal manufactures agricultural chemicals used in the strawberry industry, and Kemira Water Solutions, located just north of Mojave on Hwy 14, manufactures chemicals used in processing municipal water supplies.

All three companies and others, including the Mojave Air & Spaceport, are rail-served by Union Pacific Railroad.

## THE TEHACHAPI WINE INDUSTRY IS BLOOMING!

Tehachapi's Unique Climate - Tehachapi is unique in that it is warmer than expected for its altitude. At about 4,500 feet, with Bakersfield on the west and Mojave in the east, Tehachapi has the perfect growing climate. Being higher and warmer, the region is reminiscent of the wine growing regions of Chile and Argentina. Warm days and cooler evenings add to the longer growing season. The area has spring and fall frosts but not the extreme cold that causes winter kill. Increased UV radiation has been proven to produce a thicker skin on the grapes. Because of all this, the tradition of growing wine grapes only on south-facing slopes does not apply here. The ancient soils of the valley also make Tehachapi a unique growing region.

## TEHACHAPI AREA WINE GROWERS ASSOCIATION

In 2017 the local growers formed the Tehachapi Area Wine Growers Association. One of their goals is to have the Tehachapi area designated an American Viticultural Area (AVA). In 2018 the Tehachapi Area Wine Growers Association, with the assistance of Julie Bell, submitted an AVA application. The proposed AVA will be called the Tehachapi AVA and includes approximately 48,000 acres. The creation of an AVA is an amendment to a code of Federal regulations and must be voted on, with a process that could take 2-4 years.

Meet five extraordinary businesses that make Tehachapi a great place for wine:



## TEHACHAPI WINE & CATTLE CO.

### TEHACHAPI WINE AND CATTLE COMPANY

at Souza Vineyard- They bottled their Zinfandel under the name Tehachapi Wine and Cattle Company and since then Souza Primitivo has accumulated 10 medals. Their 2011 Primitivo took a silver and their 2010 a bronze award.

In 2018 12 great red and white wines are being bottled under the TWCC label.

[TehachapiWineAndCattleCompany.com](http://TehachapiWineAndCattleCompany.com)



### DORNER FAMILY VINEYARD

Tehachapi's first and only "winery" is Dorner Family Vineyard. They are currently the only Tehachapi vineyard licensed to make wine on their property. Now, in addition to the Riesling and Zinfandel, the Dorners purchase grapes from other vineyards so that they can have a larger variety at their tasting room. [DornerFamilyVineyard.com](http://DornerFamilyVineyard.com)



## STRAY LEAVES

Stray Leaves Vineyard produces award winning Riesling, Syrah, Cabernet, Zinfandel and Primitivo. At the 2018 San Francisco Chronicle International Wine Competition Stray Leaves received a Double Gold for 2015 SL Dry Riesling, Gold for 2015 Stray Primitivo, Silver for SL 2015 Cabernet (Kate's Reserve) and Bronze for 2015 Syrah and 2015 Riesling (semi-sweet).



### TRIASSIC VINEYARD

- In the last four years the wines of Triassic have earned 14 awards at the San Francisco Chronicle International Wine Competitions alone and even more from other competitions. In 2018 Triassic bottled 500 cases of their 2015 wines which includes their estate grown Zinfandel and Syrah, Triassic Rocks (a blend of Zinfandel and Syrah), Cabernet Sauvignon from Stray Leaves grapes and Tempranillo (from Paso Robles). [TriassicVineyards.com](http://TriassicVineyards.com)



## RANCHO DE LOS VIAJEROS VINEYARDS

Tehachapi's newest vineyard is Rancho de Los Viajeros. The ranch's first crush was in 2014 and that wine brought home a bronze medal. [LosViajerosVineyard.com](http://LosViajerosVineyard.com)

# CREATIVE ECONOMY FILM



## ANTELOPE VALLEY FILM OFFICE (AVFO)

The Antelope Valley/North LA County has seen a growth in film production over the past year. Both advertising and commercial spots have risen, most notable is the Geico commercial campaign that was filmed at the Lancaster Jethawks Stadium in Lancaster. Filming projects have included the Mayans, Extreme Home Makeover, 911 Lone Star, Americas got Talent, and BMW. We have had the pleasure of hosting many feature films such as Phoenix and Eight Month that also included the industry's most influential Directors. By way of the many pilots, commercial/advertising campaigns, feature films, music video and numerous international film business The AV Film Office has certainly made its mark in the film Industry.

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[www.avfilm.com](http://www.avfilm.com) [www.filmla.com](http://www.filmla.com)

## 515 PRODUCTIONS

The BIG STORY about the Film Industry in the AV is that our territory, while wonderfully fluid and busy, is still full of opportunities for growth in many areas of the day to day business within the entertainment industry. As filmmaking and cinema move into the 21st century and beyond – the way stories and content are delivered will become more and more sophisticated, yet personal. But people will always gravitate towards and enjoy the theater experience and the group dynamic of the cinematic experience. There are so many more stories that need to be told. Constant contact with our local Film Office and it's liaison keeps us up to date and reactive of the possibilities.

## 2019 MILESTONES FOR 515, INC. DBA 515 PRODUCTIONS:

- September 2019 completion of a literary novel, Docudrama, presently in edits, publishing early 2020

- Editing ongoing with 2nd literary novel, publishing Summer 2020, after that preparation will begin on official Trailer and Series.
- In Pre-Production - 2 feature films, releases slated for undisclosed date in 2020-21 Fiscal year

### EMPLOYEES:

515 Productions has no employees but provides opportunities for Freelancing Artists and/or Internships. We presently have two (2) Independent Contractors that are utilized as necessary to move projects along. Independent Content submissions are accepted once a year in an Open Call.

### FUTURE TRENDS:

Our total Entertainment Investment in the AV is presently at \$650,000. Fiscal 2020 TBD. Coming in 2020 Completion of Land acquisition and groundbreaking for new state of the art studio property and Industry Affiliates.

We will see more digital and technological industry companies coming and putting down stakes in this area providing more cost-effective product in direct correlation and support of filming days in and around the Antelope Valley.  
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## KERN FILM OFFICE

149 Film Permits in 2019.

TV / CABLE: ..... 68  
Feature Film: ..... 15

Corporate: ..... 11

Music Video: ..... 16  
Photography: ..... 36  
Documentary: ..... 3

David Chavez  
Kern County Film  
Commission + Tourism  
661.868.7097

## RIDGECREST FILM COMMISSION

Ridgecrest Film Commission, along with The Ridgecrest Area Convention & Visitors Bureau (RACVB), promotes its unique filming locations in our "breath taking" region!

### **2018 Film Permits:**

Feature Films.....	2
Short Films .....	4
T.V. & Cable Series .....	4
Music Videos .....	2
T.V. Commercials .....	2
Still Photo Shoot .....	2
Car Commercials .....	5
Other .....	4

## CALIFORNIA FILM & TAX CREDIT PROGRAM

The CFTCP – AB 1839 enacted in 2014 as a jobs retention and promotion act  
[Film.CA.gov/tax-credit/other-ca-film-incentives](http://Film.CA.gov/tax-credit/other-ca-film-incentives)



Filming Scenes for Mayans MC



Alien Chocolate \_ Butterfingers TV Ad

# MINING

## RIO TINTO BORATES - BORON

While we continue to honor our mining legacy, we are looking forward to the critical mineral needs of the future. In addition to borates, we are actively developing groundbreaking technologies to extract lithium from 92 years of ore tailings. Lithium, a critical mineral, is the backbone of rechargeable battery technology. Lithium is used in everything from the battery in your laptop computer, to the battery in your watch. But, its use in the electric car market is where the future lies. We are thrilled to be a part of it.

In 2019, the Rio Tinto US Borax Mine re-envisioned the operation. From developing technology to extract lithium from mine tailings, to developing a solar project to power operations, to producing high grade borate products from low grade ore. Sustainability and efficiency were cornerstones to the operations in 2019.

It is imperative that all mining operations continue to strengthen sustainable mining operations – mindful of our impact on the environment.

[Borax.com](http://Borax.com)

### EMPLOYEES:

800 people are employed at the Boron operations.

### FUTURE TRENDS:

It is imperative that all mining operations continue to strengthen sustainable mining operations – mindful of our impact on the environment.



ABOVE: Rio Tinto operations at dusk.

## OTHER MINING ASSETS IN THE REGION

Cal Portland Cement – Mojave  
[Calportland.com/locations/california/mojave-plant](http://Calportland.com/locations/california/mojave-plant)

Golden Queen Mine at Soledad Mountain – Mojave  
[GoldenQueen.com](http://GoldenQueen.com)

Granite Construction – Littlerock, Palmdale, Arvin & Inyokern  
[GraniteConstruction.com](http://GraniteConstruction.com)

Searles Valley Minerals – Trona  
[SVMinerals.com](http://SVMinerals.com)



20 MULE TEAM AT THE RUINS OF THE HARMONY BORAX WORKS DEATH VALLEY NATL MONUMENT CALIFORNIA



## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON

Electrical energy, once produced, has to be used within milliseconds. If we have a surplus, it must go somewhere immediately. Therefore, on sunny but cool days, when lots of solar energy is generated but demand for air conditioning is low, our grid stability is affected and circuits can get overloaded. In extreme cases we are at risk of having to ask solar power generators to temporarily shut down. This limitation impacts the growth of solar and wind generation as we move toward 100 percent carbon-free energy.



In the desert of Lancaster sits the 2.8MW/5.6MWh Connolly battery energy storage system. It is connected to a circuit that supports 15 small solar farms and rooftop solar installations. When customers aren't using much electricity, excess power can overload the circuit. SCE will use the battery energy storage system to manage this reverse flow.

The second project, DESI 2, sits in a compact, urban SCE right of way at the end of a circuit in Santa Ana. SCE is using the 1.4MW/3.7MWh system to improve circuit voltage control, which affects power quality. Energy stored in this battery might also be used in the wholesale energy market in support of providing clean, carbon-free energy for SCE customers.



## WORLD WIND AND SOLAR

Renewable energy continues to be a fascinating and fast-moving industry. A decade ago, about 12% of California's electricity came from a renewable energy source – wind, solar, geothermal, biomass and small hydroelectric facilities. In 2017, it was up to 32%, with solar becoming the number one resource, providing 36% of California's renewable energy. Wind was a close second at 31%. The industry continues to make strides towards the statewide goal of 50% by 2030. The Department of Labor Statistics ranks solar and wind technicians as the top two occupations with growth potential, through 2026, of 105% and 96%, respectively.



WorldWindSolar.com



(SOURCES: California Energy Commission, Department of Labor, Deloitte Insights, "Global renewable energy trends")

## LANCASTER CHOICE ENERGY (LCE)

IS THE LOCALLY RUN POWER PROGRAM CREATED BY THE CITY OF LANCASTER. Lancaster has long been at the forefront of creating a new sustainable approach to modern living. The City has been proactive in promoting solar power alternatives, conservation and smart energy consumption. With a lofty goal of becoming the nation's first net-zero city, Lancaster is determined to generate more clean energy than it consumes. Lancaster Choice Energy is the next logical step. Lancaster Choice Energy is not only helping our environment, but our economy as well. <http://www.lancasterchoiceenergy.com>



# REGIONAL CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE

## Acton Chamber of Commerce

661.269.5785  
[Aadcoc.com](http://Aadcoc.com)

## Antelope Black Chamber of Commerce

661.272.5807  
[Facebook.com/AVBCOC](https://Facebook.com/AVBCOC)

## AV Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

661.538.0607  
[AVhispanicchamber.org](http://AVhispanicchamber.org)

## Boron Chamber of Commerce

760.762.5810  
[BoronChamber.com](http://BoronChamber.com)

## California City Chamber of Commerce

760.373.8676  
[CaliforniaCityChamber.com](http://CaliforniaCityChamber.com)

## Chamber of Commerce of the Greater Antelope Valley

661.361.8254  
[Cocgav.com](http://Cocgav.com)

## Greater Tehachapi EDC

661.748.3327  
[TehachapiEDC.com](http://TehachapiEDC.com)

## Indian Wells Valley EDC/China Lake Alliance

760.382.6013  
[ChinaLakeAlliance.org](http://ChinaLakeAlliance.org)

## Lake Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce

661.264.2786

## Lancaster Chamber of Commerce

661.948.4518  
[LancasterChamber.org](http://LancasterChamber.org)

## Mojave Chamber of Commerce

661.824.2481  
[VisitMojave.com](http://VisitMojave.com)

## Palmdale Chamber of Commerce

661.273.3232  
[PalmdaleChamber.org](http://PalmdaleChamber.org)

## Pearblossom Chamber of Commerce

661.305.6519  
**Quartz Hill Chamber of Commerce** 661.722.4811  
[QuartzHillChamber.com](http://QuartzHillChamber.com)

## Ridgecrest Chamber of Commerce

760.375.8331  
[RidgecrestChamber.com](http://RidgecrestChamber.com)

## Rosamond Chamber of Commerce

661.256.3248  
[RosamondChamber.org](http://RosamondChamber.org)

## Sun Village Chamber of Commerce

661.400.1026

## Tehachapi Chamber of Commerce

661.822.4180  
[Tehachapi.com](http://Tehachapi.com)

# SMALL BUSINESS SUPPORT

## BUSINESS RETENTION & EXPANSION RESOURCES

**SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER (SBDC)** - Our region is served by two extraordinary SBDC teams. The SBDC is the Small Business Administration's (SBA) largest service program and provides high-quality business and economic development assistance to small businesses owners and entrepreneurs. SBDC one-on-one professional business consulting is at no cost.

**Los Angeles County** 661.362.5900 [Cocsbdc.org](http://Cocsbdc.org)  
**Kern County** 661.654.2856 [Csub.edu/sbdc](http://Csub.edu/sbdc)

**SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION** - SBA provides small businesses with an array of financing for small businesses from the smallest needs in microlending — to substantial debt and equity investment capital (venture capital). SBA triples Surety Bond Guarantee Ceiling; helping small business secure larger contracts and grow. For more information on SBA programs visit: [SBA.gov](http://SBA.gov)

**US TREASURY** - Home to a number of initiatives to help small businesses grow. [Treasury.gov](http://Treasury.gov)

**State Small Business Credit Initiative (SSBCI)** - SSBCI supports state programs that, in turn, use the funds to support private sector loans and investments to small businesses and small manufacturers that are creditworthy but are not able to access the capital they need to expand and create jobs



**Small Business Lending Fund (SBLF)** - The Small Business Lending Fund (SBLF) provided capital to qualified community banks and community development loan funds (CDLFs) to encourage these institutions and Main Street businesses to work together to promote economic growth and create new jobs.

**EMPLOYMENT TRAINING PANEL (ETP)** - A business and labor supported state initiative that assists employers in strengthening their competitive edge by providing funds to off-set the costs of job skills training necessary to maintain high-performance workplaces. [ETP.ca.gov](http://ETP.ca.gov)

**Department of Consumer and Business Affairs (DCBA)**  
DCBA has programs to assist existing small businesses and can also provide advice to individuals starting small businesses. To contact DCBA, call 800.593.8222 or [DCBA.lacounty.gov](http://DCBA.lacounty.gov)

**LA County Community Development Commission (LACDC)**  
The LACDC supports local economies in Los Angeles County, including the Antelope Valley, by promoting business growth, and encouraging job creation and retention through programs such as neighborhood revitalization, business incubators, economic incentives, and commercial lending. [Lacdc.org/for-businesses](http://Lacdc.org/for-businesses) or call 626.586.1795.



# Become an ally for enterprise on SoCal's Leading Edge

Since 1999, GAVEA has been a major force in helping businesspeople create, maintain and expand their companies and the wealth-creating local jobs that they provide. Our mission is to enhance our regional economy with job creation by engaging in strategic efforts of business retention, expansion and attraction.

The Alliance is the only region-wide Economic Developer and promoter of business opportunity for jobs expansion and attraction for our dynamic high-tech triangle, which reaches from Acton to Ridgecrest, Boron to Tehachapi. Through outreach, education and collaboration, we are making known our 3,000 square miles of opportunity — accessible, affordable and available.

As an elite Investor of the Greater Antelope Valley Economic Alliance, you will have access to industry experts, sage advice from experienced colleagues and referrals to key business resources throughout the region. These invaluable tools provide both existing business owners, as well as prospective CEO's with timely, accurate and insightful information you will find nowhere else.

We invite you to become part of this important voice for Southern California's Leading Edge. You will gain new perspective and intelligence only GAVEA can deliver. By making a small monthly investment, your organization will benefit from the opportunity to improve and sustain the economic vitality of our region. If finding allies for enterprise is important to you, join us in our quest to create a more vibrant and healthy regional economy

## Join the Alliance today.

For more information or to obtain an Investor's packet, please contact:

661.722.6566

[www.SoCalLeadingEdge.org](http://www.SoCalLeadingEdge.org)

[info@SoCalLeadingEdge.org](mailto:info@SoCalLeadingEdge.org)

## JOIN THESE ELITE INVESTORS TODAY

Antelope Valley College | Antelope Valley Hospital | Antelope Valley Transit Authority  
Atkinson and Associates | A.V. Air Quality Management District | A.V. East Kern Water Agency  
City of California City | City of Lancaster | City of Tehachapi  
Coldwell Banker Commercial Valley Realty | County of Los Angeles 5th District Supervisor Kathryn Barger  
Kaiser Permanente | Kern County | Learn 4 Life | Los Angeles County Workforce Development Board  
Mojave Air and Space Port | Northrop Grumman | Palmdale Regional Medical Center  
Palmdale Water District | Rio Tinto Borates | Southern California Edison  
The Gas Company | VINSA Insurance Associates | Western Pacific Roofing



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