



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thank you so much for being an invaluable member of AV EDGE.

The report this year is a compilation of the incredible work of our wholehearted and devoted staff, the accomplishments of our diverse members and agencies and the highlights of our region during a year where many are still feeling the effects of challenges of the past few of years.

It is with great pleasure that we provide you with this publication that has been revitalized and features an interesting highlight on the history and current status of film in the

Antelope Valley. Film has a huge place in most people's hearts, and we wanted to share with others the role our community plays — and will continue to play — in capturing that imagination.

I encourage you to read on and learn about all the Antelope Valley has to offer you.

As an organization, one of our main goals is to be a source of information to support communities and businesses.

We work constantly to accomplish those goals and cultivate the countless opportunities the AV has to offer business and industry locally, regionally and globally.

I would like to personally thank each and every AV EDGE member — as well as our partners — for cooperating with us on this vital work. With your ongoing support, we will continue to find ways to address and solve any challenge we face as a region. In that way we can all ensure thoughtful, diverse economic growth and development for the whole Antelope Valley.

Enjoy, Kathy MacLaren-Gomez President



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

There were many economic changes in our national economy affecting household budgets and business investments this past year. Despite this turbulence, the Antelope Valley business and development climate reached many milestones and continues to be well-positioned for job growth and economic development.

This report demonstrates that all our communities across the Los Angeles County and Kern County portions of the Antelope Valley have significant opportunities and

growth-oriented leadership.

Manufacturing, film, distribution, aerospace and green energy — have all seen growth in the Antelope Valley over the past year and we still have room for growth and space and infrastructure to accommodate future needs.

This year, we're highlighting some of the exciting and lucrative film work done in our community. We've served as location for many film and television productions since the early days of Hollywood. As the industry is challenged by lack of soundstage availability, we're doing our part to keep production in southern California by working with investors to build more.

The Antelope Valley is home to a wide range of businesses and industries. We have a diverse and talented labor force, affordable quality of life and some of the most business-friendly local governments anywhere.

Our AV EDGE team works to provides members and investors with information, strategic planning and partnerships to help grow their businesses and see their organizations thrive and succeed.

Please contact us to learn more about membership by visiting AVEDGECA.ORG or by calling us at 661-441-2957.

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The AV EDGE mission is to ensure thoughtful, diverse economic growth and development of the entire Antelope Valley. Through partnerships, legislative advocacy and education, we work to inspire all businesses and industries to engage, leverage and cultivate the countless opportunities the AV offers businesses locally, regionally and globally.

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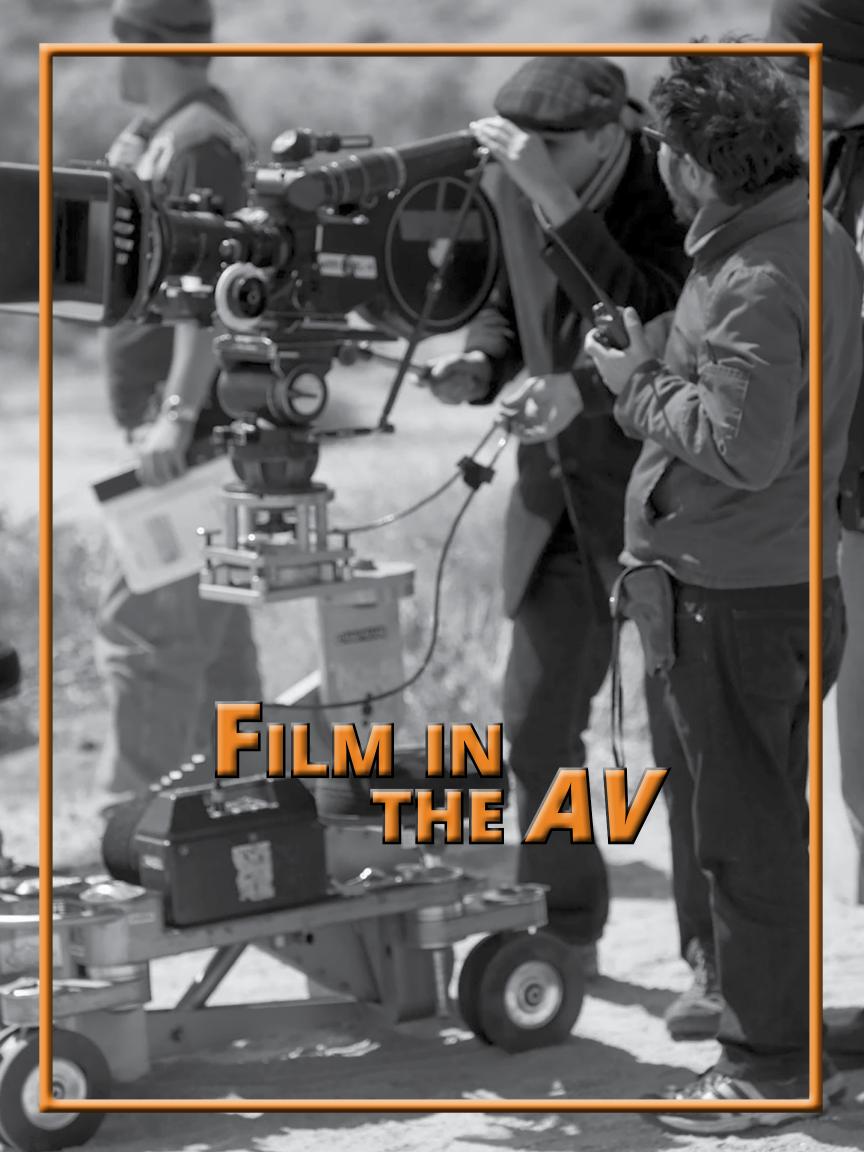
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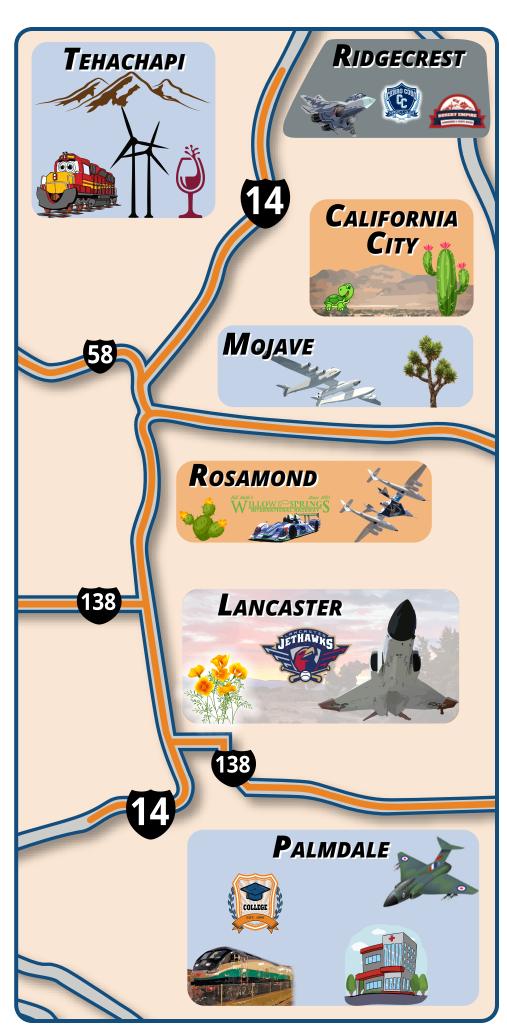












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Lancaster is the third largest city in LA County, the 28th largest city in California, and is home to 157,000 people. Within a 20-mile radius of city limits is a population of 430,000 people.

Known as a "City of Firsts," Lancaster provides a world of opportunity and is home to:

- Fortune 500 Companies
- Affordable Land
- Opportunity Zones
- Multiple Colleges and Universities

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Square Miles

Median Age

\$94k

Average Income

7/000

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Jeffrey Prang



Los Angeles County Supervisor Kathryn Barger was the grand marshal in May 2022 at Lake Los Ángeles's first Cinco de Mayo parade in three years. Lancaster Sheriff's Station commander Capt. John Lecrivain, right, and Lake Los Angeles Community Deputy Gil Borruel also attended.

BUSINESS/COMMUNITY QUOTE

"As businesses struggle to recover from the devastating impacts of COVID-19 closures, the county must intentionally look for ways to reduce barriers, especially those that negatively impact small businesses. Our strategies should include reaching out to women and communities of color — these small business owners could, in my opinion, use a helping hand. I also believe that we should facilitate new housing development throughout the Antelope Valley region, so that we dually support the local economy's growth and increase housing stock. Cutting through red tape is key. I fully support eliminating bureaucratic obstacles that impede or delay these efforts."

— Supervisor Kathryn Barger

MISSION & VISION

Supervisor Barger's mission is to provide responsive and effective representation to constituents living in the northern portion of Los Angeles County. Keeping North County neighborhoods safe is Supervisor Barger's priority. She partners closely with law enforcement agencies in her district to implement initiatives that protect communities. Supervisor Barger also works to ensure public safety officers and fire services personnel receive support and resources to achieve her vision of a safe and thriving community. With a strong sense of fiscal responsibility, Supervisor Barger believes in providing vital County services to residents and serving as a responsible steward of taxpayer dollars.



Los Angeles County Supervisor Kathryn Barger helps distribute backpacks full of school supplies in August 2022 during Sole of the CommUNITY's back-to-school fashion show and backpack giveaway in Lancaster.



TOP 2022 **M**ILESTONES

No. 1 In January 2022, - Supervisor Barger co-authored a nuisance abatement ordinance enabling the County to more guickly **enter private** properties to clean up cannabis grow debris and authorizes fining illegal marijuana dispensaries and farms enabling up to \$30,000 a day.

No. 2 Due to Supervisor Barger's leadership, -L.A. County allocated more than \$5M in new funding to the Sheriff's **Department** to combat illegal cannabis businesses. The Board of Supervisors approved \$4.9M to tackle illegal marijuana farms in the Antelope Valley and illegal dispensaries in unincorporated areas **countywide**. Supervisor Barger also funded efforts to **stop illegal cannabis** growers' water theft in rural Antelope Valley communities.



COMMUNITY TRENDS

Changes in adopted state criminal laws, such as Proposition 64, mean that large-scale cannabis growers no longer face prison terms. Because of these changes, Los Angeles County has had to devise new approaches to combat illegal cannabis businesses.

In the Antelope Valley, cannabis growers operating in violation of county ordinances steal water, spread trash, cause air and noise pollution with industrial-sized electrical generators, poison wildlife with pesticides, destroy Joshua trees and other native plants and intimidate neighbors.

"Our county is working aggressively to protect our communities against the harm inflicted upon them by illegal cannabis operations,' Supervisor Barger said. "One example of this is the new administrative nuisance abatement procedure that I helped create. It is being put into operation this spring and will replace a slow-moving process that previously involved the court system. The new \$30,000 maximum daily fine that's in place will hurt lucrative illegal cannabis growth operations. It's a good start to push back on growers and keep the Antelope Valley communities I represent safe."



Los Angeles County Supervisor Kathryn Barger spoke in December 2022 at the reopening of the County of Los Angeles' America's Job Center of California in Lancaster.



Los Angeles County Supervisor Kathryn Barger answers questions about health care in April 2022 during the second annual WOW Black Maternal Health Expo in Palmdale.



Los Angeles County Sheriff Academy Class 462 graduated in December 2022 with 78 new sheriff's deputies and police officers.



LANCASTER

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ELECTED CITY COUNCIL

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Marvin Crist

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Jason Caudle

Economic Development Senior Manager:

Chenin Dow







BUSINESS/COMMUNITY QUOTE

"Lancaster has advanced a bold vision for renewable hydrogen, extending the benefits of clean energy throughout our community. After becoming the first 'Net Zero' energy city in the world in 2019, we knew we had to do more. Renewable hydrogen is the way of the future and Lancaster has attracted companies that provide innovative hydrogen solutions around the globe. With several partnerships already underway and the city's unique, pioneering spirit, Lancaster is well-positioned to continue to lead a trend of cities around the world adopting renewable hydrogen."

— Mayor R. Rex Parris

TOP 10

- Industrial Development The industrial market is booming! Lancaster has over 5.4 million square feet of industrial development in various stages of the development review process. With several projects in the pipeline and different developers in the area, the industrial sites are expected to lease out quickly, creating many new jobs for residents.
- **15th & K Redevelopment** In collaboration with Raider Hill Advisors, the former Toys"R"Us location is being transformed into a modern plaza that welcomes the arrival of Sprouts Farmers Market, Chick-Fil-A, Quick Quack Car Wash, Ono Hawaiian, Dutch Bros and Taco Bell. The center will be fully operational in 2023.
- Fairfield Inn & Suites The newest hotel in Lancaster opened in Fall 2022. The Marriott Fairfield Inn & Suites is located in the heart of Lancaster, near Avenue J-8 and

20th Street West. Whether it is a weekend getaway or an extended business trip, guests will enjoy a relaxing stay with a spacious suite that is filled with homelike amenities as well as a state-of-the-art fitness center and indoor pool.



- **Gigafy Lancaster** Lancaster has partnered with Race Communications to help bridge the digital divide by installing a citywide fiber optic network. Race is working in partnership with the city on this project to offer gigabit internet service at reasonable prices to Lancaster residents. With approximately one out of five Lancaster households lacking broadband connectivity, the goal is to drastically increase internet access for families throughout the community.
- Freeway Interchange Projects Lancaster is working with Metro and Caltrans to complete freeway interchange projects to improve connectivity and access throughout the city. The Avenues K, J and M interchanges will receive a facelift, with completion of all three projects by 2026. Local street improvements along Avenue J have been completed, with additional improvements along Avenue K currently underway.



RETAIL UPDATE

2022 RETAIL SALES REVENUE

Autos and Transportation	\$611,046,884	\$2,303,969,943	\$505,857,967	\$2,809,827,910
Building And Construction (\$260,170,524			
Business And Industry	\$191,271,551			
Food And Drugs	\$113,281,840			
Fuel And Service Stations	\$285,196,304			
General Consumer Goods	\$547,172,511			
Restaurants And Hotels	\$295,307,265			
Transfer And Unidentified	\$523,064			Gross Receipts





2022 MILESTONES

- **Greens Group** A developer from Irvine (Greens Group) has purchased the vacant 27 acres between Avenue I and Lancaster Boulevard near Cinemark 22. The future development will bring Lancaster two new hotels and more than 600 units of new housing stock, including market-rate and affordable multi-family residential options. A small retail component will round out this development.
- Multi-Family Developments Two projects at Avenue I and 20th Street West will bring over 500 multi-family apartment style homes to the area. One project is entirely market-rate, while the other has a small percentage of affordable housing units. An additional 500 multi-family units throughout the city are in the development review process.
- **Shop Local Platform** Lancaster has partnered with Bludot Technologies, Inc., to provide an online platform and smartphone application to support small businesses. Through Bludot's Open Rewards platform, consumers are able to download the app and earn rewards for shopping locally. Once enough rewards are accumulated,

they can be redeemed by patronizing other small businesses in the community. Open Rewards Shop Local app is available in the Google Market Place and Apple App Store.



- **Bridge 33** The 375,500-square-foot shopping center at Valley Central Way and Lancaster Boulevard has been acquired from Merlone Geier by Bridge 33. This shopping center is currently anchored by Super Walmart, Marshalls, Staples, Michaels, and Burlington. With a small number of retail vacancies including the former Cinemark Movies 12, Bridge 33 is currently exploring several shopping center improvements and retail opportunities.
- "Stand Strong" Youth Sports Program In December 2021, the city council approved loans up to \$20,000 for local non-profit sports organizations. Many organizations were hurt by the impacts of the pandemic and needed financial assistance to keep providing services to the community's youth. Lancaster partnered with Mission Bank for the loan underwriting and in December 2022, the council turned the loan into a grant. A total of five loans were issued and forgiven, which resulted in over \$90,000 going to aid youth sporting programs.

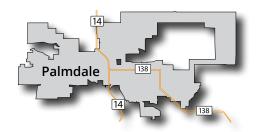




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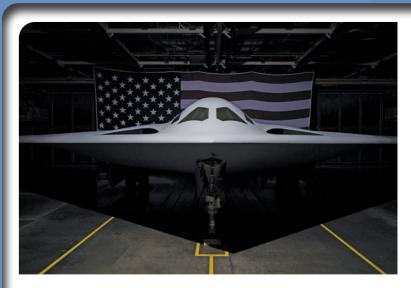


BUSINESS/COMMUNITY QUOTE

"Sage Investco has been working with the City for almost two years to bring multiple commercial developments to Palmdale. We have found the City to be extremely business friendly and easy to work with. They have a streamlined development process and knowledgeable staff that make Palmdale an ideal city for development and commercial growth. We look forward to breaking ground on these exciting new projects located in both east and west Palmdale."

– Patrick Charriou, Owner, Sage Investco

TOP 10



Forbes: America's Best Large Employer — Approved a one million square foot warehouse and distribution center located on the SE corner of 10th St. W and Avenue M. The facility will support operations for one of America's Best Large Employers. The project is expected to break ground by the second quarter of 2023 and when complete the project will provide 800 new jobs for AV residents.

AS Aerospace — A leading manufacturer of quality precision aerospace hardware will break ground on a new 80,000 SF manufacturing facility in the Fairway Business Park. AS Aerospace is one of the largest independent aerospace manufacturers in the world and provides products to Lockheed Martin, Rolls Royce, Pratt & Whitney, Honeywell, General Electric, Aerojet and more.

Home of the B-21 Raider — Northrop Grumman unveiled the new "Raider" Stealth Bomber from their Palmdale facility where the new aircraft is manufactured. The Air Force expects to acquire 100 bombers which represents a \$75

billion dollar investment. Northrop plans to hire an additional 1,200 full time employees to support the B-21 program which will keep the Palmdale facility busy over the next decade.

New Air Traffic Control Tower — Construction was completed on a new \$17 million dollar air traffic control tower at Plant 42. This new 160-foot flight tower includes updated technology and advanced features to improve operational capabilities and support current and long-term operations of the Air Force and their mission partners at Plant 42.

Public Art "Revolution" — A distinctive new public art sculpture was installed at the Palmdale Auto Mall in December titled "Revolution". This one-of-a-kind sculpture created by artist Heath Satow creates a sense of motion through its shape and the way the world reflects in it. Partnering with the Palmdale Auto Mall, this is the City's first public/private partnership of public art. The sculpture is part of the Palmdale Public Art program and represents the Public Art Commission's first formal unveiling.



RETAIL UPDATE

2022 RETAIL SALES REVENUE

Autos and Transportation	\$390,191,802	\$2,297,910,603	\$501,428,789	\$2,799,339,392
Building And Construction	\$225,633,254			
Business And Industry	\$120,532,936			
Food And Drugs	\$118,226,804			
Fuel And Service Stations	\$295,684,330			Total Gross Receipts
General Consumer Goods	\$803,644,504	All Businesses		
Restaurants And Hotels	\$343,549,363			
Transfer And Unidentified	\$447,610			



2022 MILESTONES





Palmdale Film Stage — Completed construction on the City's new 6,000 square foot film stage that includes a CYC Wall and green screen. This new facility will accommodate a variety of productions allowing Palmdale to continue ts reputation of being film friendly.

Mixed Use Development — La Terra Development is constructing Palmdale's first market rate multifamily project in almost 20 years. The Landing will include 344 total units with 36 town homes, 42 carriage units and 266 apartments. Amenities will include a dog play area, playground, resort pool, spa, and recreation building. The mixed use development also includes a new 50,000 square foot commercial center that will include a neighborhood market and other retail and restaurants.

Palmdale 2045 — The City approved its first comprehensive General Plan Update in over two decades. Known as Palmdale 2045, the new General Plan includes policies and goals to encourage responsible growth, provide more flexibility and create a vision for a more sustainable, prosperous, and livable city.

Retail Revitalization — Palmdale added over 140 new businesses in 2022. New retail growth was led by the opening of Sprouts Farmers Market in the Palmdale Marketplace. Palmdale also welcomed Black Bear Diner, Pier 88, Pilot Flying J, Sharetea, Beeefit, Pepper House Hot Chicken, 5.11 Tactical, Advanced Auto, Luxe Derm Aesthetics and many more retailers. In addition, the City will soon be welcoming Raising Cane's, Pollo Campero, Nothing Bundt Cakes, European Wax Center, and two highly sought after national chains coming to a new development on Avenue S and 40th Street East.

Hotel Development — The City welcomed Fairfield Inn & Suites and approved entitlements for two more hotels for a total of 230 rooms. WoodSprings Suites and Cambria Hotel will be coming to Palmdale in the near future.

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BUSINESS/COMMUNITY QUOTE

"The eastern portion of

Kern County in my district is home to some of the most innovative and specialized technologies in the world. Kern County's aerospace programs stand at the forefront of an industry gaining international recognition for space tourism and the first-ever privately funded space flight as well as our defense and advanced weapons development supported by two military installations. Right now there are over 20,000 aerospace jobs in Kern County. These highwage, full-time jobs have staying power thanks to vast open land, smart limits on development encroachment, proximity to Los Angeles and higher education levels per capita than in most other regions of the country.

– Supervisor Zack Scrivnerv



KERN EDC & EAST KERN ECONOMIC ALLIANCE

The Kern Economic Development Corporation (Kern EDC) is a public-private partnership formed in 1988 with the mission of cultivating and promoting Kern County's boundless opportunities for business. Kern EDC focuses it collaborative efforts on the recruitment of new business opportunities and assisting in the retention and expansion of existing businesses.

Kern EDC works with businesses to identify targeted incentives and financing tools to stimulate job growth and capital investments.

The innovative Advance Kern (www.advancekern.com) program helps companies succeed and compete in the global economy. Advance Kern provides maximum flexibility in pursuing opportunities with performance-based incentives and quantitative thresholds tested for accountability and the plan eliminates all caps and special terms on potential sales tax, use tax, and property tax rebates. In addition, the program adds transient occupancy tax rebates. The County has also expanded the list of targeted industry clusters for these incentives, to include carbon dioxide (CO2) storage and biomass conversion.

In 2022, Kern EDC launched the Manufacturing Alliance of Kern (MAK), an industry collaborative that advocates on behalf of the region's 400+ manufacturers. The coalition serves a critical role by providing comprehensive siting, permitting, workforce development, and financing assistance to firms considering relocating to or expanding operations in Kern County.

In addition to county-wide economic development efforts led by the Kern Economic Development Corporation, a focus on East Kern is maintained with the East Kern Economic Alliance. Established in 2009 by the Kern Economic Development Foundation, the East Kern Economic Alliance represents community and business leaders from East Kern who work to foster economic development collaborations within the region.

The Kern Economic Development Foundation (KEDF) links business, education, and the community on projects relating to STEM education and local workforce and professional development. KEDF's initiatives include programs designed to encourage students and adults alike to pursue STEM education and careers. Current programs and events, include the recently-launched Kern Intern Connections (KIC) program, the Women in STEM initiative, and the Kern County Career Expo & STEMposium. KernEDC.com

TOP 2021 MILESTONES

No. 1 In 1946, 13 members of the National **Advisory Committee of** Aeronautics (NACA) were sent to Muroc Army **Airfield** in the Mojave Desert, determined to achieve supersonic flight. In 2021, NASA's Armstrong Flight Research Center in Edwards marked that occasion as the beginning of a **celebration** of 75 years of innovation, milestones and discoveries in Fast Kern which resulted in a multi-billion-dollar economic impact.

No. 2 Rio-Tinto Borates & Lithium commenced production of battery-grade lithium from waste rock at its Boron mine site as it prepared to mark 150 years of U.S. Borax, operating in the Mojave Desert since 1852 and at Boron for nearly 100 years at East Kern site, largest open pit mine in the state of California.

No. 3 In June 2021, Virgin Orbit launched seven satellites into orbit, marking its first commercial mission. The modified Boeing 747 carrier plane, called Cosmic Girl, took off from the Mojave Air & Space Port at Rutan Field.



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MISSION / VISION

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— Kern County's centralized location is hard to beat when it comes to reaching West Coast destinations.

- Access 90 percent of California's population and 14 percent of the U.S. population — within a 300mile radius.
- More than 40 million people within a four-hour drive.
- Inland port helps lower drayage costs.
- Access: Interstate 5,
 Highway 99 (north and
 south), Highway 46 (west to
 Central Coast) and Highway
 58 east to Highways 14 and
 395 and Interstate 15.

Among many East Kern contributions to the county's economy are:

- Kern County is home to the nation's largest wind farm, geothermal facility, and battery storage system as well as the second-largest solar plant.
- Kern County is home to the world's largest borax mine (Rio Tinto)and one of two precious metal mines in California (Golden Queen Mining Company).
- East Kern is home to some of the most innovative and specialized technologies in the world. The region's aerospace programs stand at the forefront of an industry gaining international recognition for space tourism and the first-ever privately-funded space flight, while the region's defense and advanced weapons development are supported by two military installations.
- Edwards Air Force Base has an annual economic impact of \$2.27 billion, creating

COMMUNITY TRENDS

The goal of the county's economic development efforts is to expand the county's economy by developing businesses in six industry clusters — which will improve employment opportunities for county residents.

These are:

- Aerospace and Defense
- Energy and Natural Resources
- Healthcare Services
- Tourism, Recreation and Entertainment
- Transportation, Logistics, and Advanced Manufacturing
- Value-added Agriculture



more than 10,507 jobs for the region with an annual payroll of \$608 million.

- Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake's economic impact is \$1.2 billion, with a direct employment of 5,850 and a total payroll of \$503 million.
- Mojave Air & Space Port at Rutan Field has seen dramatic growth due to increased demand within both the private and government sectors. (2,500+ employees and 70+ companies).
- NASA's Armstrong Flight Research Center is NASA's home for high-risk flight research, advancing technologies for both air and space flight. With nearly 1,200 employees and a \$308 million budget, NASA Armstrong is contributing to our region's economic strength and diversity every day.
- There are over 20,000 aerospace jobs in Kern County. These high-value, full-time jobs have staying power thanks to vast open land, lack of development encroachment, proximity to Los Angeles and higher education levels per capita in East Kern than most other regions in the country.

- Kern is the energy capital of California, supplying more than 60 percent of California's renewable energy, 6,500 MWh of battery storage, 4,581 wind turbines and located in the solar radiation "sweet spot" of the United States.
- Kern County is the leading renewable energy center in the U.S. for wind and solar plants.

Current projects produce more than 17,000 MWs of energy in the region.

- Kern County was recently named the wind capital of the entire world. The region has a total wind power capacity of 4 gigawatts and more turbines than the entire northeastern region of the U.S.
- East Kern is also an important part of the county's tourism, recreation and entertainment sector. Off-highway vehicle enthusiasts enjoy nearly 15,000 acres of riding areas including the Jawbone Canyon Off-Highway Vehicle Area. In a typical year, the area attracts nearly 20,000 people over Thanksgiving weekend, allowing them to camp and enjoy trails offering a range of off-road experiences.



CALIFORNIA CITY CITY PROFILE

California City: 2100 Hacienda Blvd, California City, CA 93505, (760) 373-8661

ELECTED CITY COUNCIL

Kelly Kulikoff

Councilmembers:

Jim Creighton Michael Kulicoff Karren Macedonio Ron Smith

City Manager:

Dr. Jim Hart

Chamber of Commerce, **Economic Development:**

Alexia Svejda, Chamber of Commerce



COMMUNITY TRENDS

The City created a developer working group to update the development standards for the city's industrial zones to be more balanced between developer and community needs and has implemented electronic submittal of plans for plan check.

In addition to Tropicana Supermarket and Starbucks opening, a weekly Farmer's Market is thriving and has tripled its vendor offering since its inception.

The community is also looking forward to a projected Summer 2022 opening of California City Urgent Care and continues to enjoy a booming housing market. In 2021, 25 commercial permits were issued and more than 100 new houses were built.

Cannabis continues to be a strong economic driver with several large state-of-the-art cultivation/manufacturing/ distributions completing construction.



BUSINESS/ COMMUNITY QUOTE

14 California City

> "Greater California City, with its central location in Southeast Kern County, serves a growing population of 25,000 people. This is driving demand for housing, retai and business expansion. More than 150 houses were built in 2021 and our retail sector is averaging a grand opening every month. This is exciting and all data points to this being a continuing trend."

- Alexia Svejda, President, California City Chamber of Commerce

MISSION / VISION

California City continues to see both business and housing growth. The market is driven by being an easy 15-minute drive to Edwards Air Force Base or Mojave Air and Space Port, as well as having more desirable housing costs and being one of the safest cities in the Aerospace Valley area.

The City is surrounded by aerospace innovation, has access to STEM talent and is at a logistical crossroads. With its 203-square-miles it also has space for privacy which is ideal for aerospace research, development and testing.

The high school offers an airframe and powerplant certification course and a robust dual enrollment program in partnership with Cerro Coso Community College.

Fresh air, blue skies and boundless nature at our doorstep equal a highquality slower-paced life. California City allows you to innovate and create — then breath deep and



No. 1 Starbucks and **Tropicana Supermarket** joined the ranks of new retailers and restaurants — and **California City Urgent** Care broke ground and has a projected opening for the summer of 2022.

No. 2 The City has issued 25 commercial permits for new or expanding projects and 100-plus new houses were built. Over 50 new local applications were received to conduct commercial cannabis business in California City during 2021.

Source: 2022 AV EDGE Round Table Report





Desert tortoise.



The California City Police Department will switch to a computerized testing program for dispatcher applicants.



California City central park.

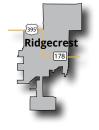




RIDGECREST

CITY PROFILE

Ridgecrest: 100 W. California Ave., Ridgecrest, CA 93555, (760) 499-5000





ELECTED CITY COUNCIL

Mayor

Eric A. Bruen

Mayor Pro-Tem

Solomon P. Rajaratnam

Vice Mayor

Kyle Blades

Councilmembers

John "Skip" Gorman Scott Hayman

City Manager

Ronald Strand

Economic Development Analyst

Megan McKenzie

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MISSION / VISION

"The City of Ridgecrest is so excited about all the work that we're going to be able to do over the next couple years to improve our community and really make Ridgecrest a premiere location for new residents, new families and new businesses. Look around at the new construction, the new growth, the new people and the amount of communication from the city in the past few years. Look at the \$8 million in new roads coming next year, the \$3 million in parks improvements, the four new hotels in development and the commitment to be present in the community. I am confident that Ridgecrest is ready to continue the journey of building the community we want for our children and our future."

Eric Bruen, Mayor

RETAIL UPDATE

The City of Ridgecrest's retail numbers show a community serving customers within 20-minutes of the City limits. However, the 'true trade area' is much larger – including rural communities as far as Lone Pine and Johannesburg. The isolated market of Ridgecrest provides businesses with the opportunity to tap into a wide range of market demographics from within City limits and surrounding rural communities. Retail gap opportunities include several areas of the retail sector in which trade area demand outweighs supply, most notably: automotive dealers, full service restaurants, and clothing stores.

Hospitality and housing developments continue to progress with the recent opening of Holiday Inn Express, the ongoing construction of TownePlace Suites by Marriot & the Mojave View affordable apartment complex, and the recently approved plans for Home2Suites and Woodspring Suites hotels.

Dining, retail, and entertainment developments remain in high demand by residents - developments completed in 2022 include: KFC, Chipotle, & Starbucks. Through the City's outreach efforts, it is clear that residents desire more opportunities for full service dining, retail, and entertainment.



Caption:

TOP 2022 MILESTONES

No. 1 During the midterm elections in 2022, Ridgecrest citizens voted to pass Measure "P," a one percent increase to the local sales tax. The passage of Measure "P" will provide an estimated \$59 million to the city's general fund over a nineyear period to support vital services including public safety, infrastructure, quality of life and economic development.

No. 2 In 2022, Race **Communications** commenced the buildout of fiber-optic infrastructure within city limits to provide highspeed internet services to the community. Services are offered to residents/ businesses as buildout progresses. To date, 50 percent of the jurisdiction has access to Race Communications highspeed internet services, with full completion expected by Summer 2023..

BUSINESS/COMMUNITY QUOTE

"Working with the City of Ridgecrest on our 16-acre project has been a uniquely positive experience something you don't normally run into as developers. Since this is a large, multi-phase project involving multiple buildings including a 65,000 square foot entertainment complex — containing a 9-screen cinema, dine-in service to the seats, 8 lanes of bowling, a theme restaurant and a 45-game arcade — it required close coordination with the city to make it a reality. They have been great to work with and we couldn't be more pleased!"

— Bob Davidson, Project Manager/ Member, OASIS China Lake, LLC.





Opening of KFC in 2022.

COMMUNITY TRENDS

Improving public communication continues to be a main focus for the city. To date, this outreach has provided direction to continue to improve local quality of life, including:

- Expanding community events
- Improving and expanding recreational facilities & venues
- Development of a new community pool
- Recruitment of retail, full service restaurants, and entertainment establishments
- Major projects that are set to begin or continue in 2023 include:
- Oasis Entertainment Complex is projected to break ground on Phase II of development for the movie theater, arcade, and bowling alley in Q1/Q2 of 2023.
- Continued growth in the hospitality sector including two additional new hotels, multiple fast-casual restaurants, and the development of EV charging facilities.
- In addition, there are large-scale Public Works projects on the horizon, including \$8M in road repairs and \$10M in sewer infrastructure



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GREATER TEHACHAPI VALLEY

Tehachapi: City of Tehachapi, 115 S. Robinson St., Tehachapi, CA 93561 (661) 822-2200

ELECTED CITY COUNCIL

Tehachapi City Mayor:

Michael Davies

Tehachapi City Mayor Pro Tem:

Susan Wiggins

Tehachapi City Councilmembers:

Joan Pogon-Cord Phil Smith Vacancy

City Manager:

Greg Garrett

Economic Development:

Corey Costelloe, Assistant City Manager

COMMUNITY TRENDS

The greater Tehachapi area continues to draw shoppers from surrounding communities – creating the environment for new business opportunities. In 2022, the city's first extendedstay hotel, TownePlace Suites by Marriott, opened along with completed construction of a second drive-thru Starbucks.

Other projects continue to be centered around Walmart (opened 2018) with the construction of Valley Strong Credit Union and Chipotle Mexican Grill. Re-use continues to be successful with Alta One Federal Credit Union purchasing a former competitor's building to develop a new branch. The Village Collective, a downtown executive office/co-working space, renovated a former thrift store into a downtown jewel for working professionals and entrepreneurs.

These investments are attractive to other investors, as four large commercial properties were purchased in 2022 – with new use yet to be revealed.

Tehachapi's place as a retail leader in Eastern Kern County, and a supportive player for all area companies, continues to be affirmed with new and expanding businesses.



The Towneplace Suites by Marriott opened in September of 2022 and is the City's first extended-stay hotel. It joins five other national chain hotels now operating in the city.

BUSINESS/ COMMUNITY QUOTE

"Tehachapi isn't the sleep town that it was 30 years ago...it is not fancy, but it is fantastic. The opportunities that have developed here are incredible. We are privileged and excited to be part of the community and provide an extendedstay."

Dr. Brijesh Bhambi, Tehachapi Lodging LLC, Owner, Towneplace Suites by Marriott

RETAIL UPDATE

Retail sales in the City of Tehachapi account for more than \$400 million annually as the city continues to draw customers from the greater Tehachapi area and East Kern to shop at retail destinations located in the city including Walmart, Home Depot, and Tractor Supply. Additionally, the Love's and Flying I travel centers are popular stops for travelers on busy State Highway 58.

Further out, in County unincorporated areas, additional businesses are attracting new patrons - including a new bowling alley/video game/brew pub/restaurant in Golden Hills. The newly developed P Dubs Brew Pub/Mountain Bowling has hit the ground running. This multi-million-dollar investment draws people from a hundred-mile radius to spend time with family and friends.

Area wineries continue to host customers with a palate for great wine and a warm environment. In addition to wine-tasting, local wineries are hosting weekend special events that are a welcome addition to the region. The Tehachapi area has proven to be fertile ground for this growing retail sector.

Despite an incorporated city population of just 13,000, the City of Tehachapi's true trade area accounts for over 200,000 people as is evident in the millions of sales conducted in a small city punching well above its weight in retail sales.



TOP 2022 MILESTONES

No. 1 Two large construction projects completed (Towneplace Suites by Marriott/ Starbucks Capital Hills). These projects affirm an interest in developing the Capital Hills section of Tehachapi, now home to a pair of hotels and the Adventist Health Tehachapi Valley Hospital.

No. 2 The City of Tehachapi has advanced economic development efforts in both the recruitment and expansion areas by partnering with Placer A.I. for location based data that helps frame an accurate picture of the Tehachapi trade area and customer demographics. This information has been vital in confirming decision makers' desire to develop in Tehachapi.

Tehachapi is also partnering with CoStar real estate services to capture all retail avails, market reports and comps to assist with location of new businesses and fill retail vacancies even guicker. Our dedication to data and the movement of customers puts real evidence in front of those making important business decisions in our community.

MISSION / VISION

Showcase the value of economic development to our community stakeholders by developing partnerships, quantifying effort with new data and using digital media to communicate the impact while serving a business community rooted in small business tradition with respect to expanded corporate investment



Tehachapi Farmers Market: The City of Tehachapi hosts the popular Farmers Market on Green Street each Summer from May to August featuring local and San Joaquin Valley grown produce and other specialty local food items.



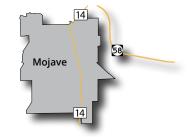
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MOJAVE

COMMUNITY PROFILE



DEPARTMENTS

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County Supervisor, Zack Scrivner

1115 Truxtun Avenue. 5th Floor, Bakersfield, CA 93301 (661) 868-3660

Employment and Job Training America's Job Center

2300 Highway 58, Mojave, CA (661) 824-7800

Kern County Career Services

2340 State Highway 58, Mojave, CA (661) 824-7510

Source: 2022 AV EDGE Round Table Report

Mojave is in the middle of everywhere. The unincorporated community in southeastern Kern County is 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 largest railroads link the community to even more markets across the country. But perhaps more important is an airport able to handle anything that can fly, including the world's largest airplane, the giant Stratolaunch Roc, which was built and flown from the runways of the Mojave Air & Space

It is the spaceport that connects Mojave to the universe. It is one of the world's busiest rocket engine test facilities — and is being expanded to handle increased operations.

The Mojave Desert community is also connected to the earth. Golden Queen Mining has operations on historic Soledad Mountain, mining gold, silver and aggregates with modern technology and a skilled workforce of more than 200. CalPortland's Mojave plant produces cement to help build Southern California. And wind and solar power produce clean renewable energy to help keep businesses and industries humming



ROSAMOND

COMMUNITY PROFILE



Chamber of Commerce

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Rosamond Community Service District

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Board of Directors

President Rick Webb

Vice President Byron Glennan

Directors

Greg Wood Ben Stewart Alfred Wallis The core mission of the Rosamond Community Services District is to improve the quality of life within the community by providing essential services at the best cost while striving to be protective of resources and financially prudent.

Protect & Preserve

The CSD board strives to make every decision based upon fiscally sound policies and best practices to ensure that money and resources are managed prudently, protecting the investment people have made in their community

Transparency & Trust

Building the community's trust is an ongoing process with the CSD functioning as an "open book," not only following the laws of open government but also maintaining complete transparency while encouraging public participation and oversight

The Rosamond Skylark is a privately owned and operated residential skylark located in Southern California's Antelope Valley (aka Aerospace Valley). The FAA designator is L00 (Lima-Zero-Zero) and the airport is open for public use.

ROSAMOND SKYPARK 4000 Knox Ave Rosamond, CA 93560 info@skypark.org

Source: 2022 AV EDGE Round Table Report content.





OPPORTUNITY ZONES

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Supervisor Barger is a partner to many chambers of commerce across the Fifth District and greatly appreciates the invaluable connection they provide to the private sector. To overcome bureaucratic hurdles and red tape, Supervisor Barger introduced two motions this year that reduced barriers to help businesses looking to contract with the county.

Supervisor Barger is also working to implement initiatives that can help owners of small businesses open, relocate, or expand in Los Angeles County, as well as supporting job growth and housing availability. Businesses of all sizes continue to face regulatory hurdles when applying for permits with county departments. Often, these barriers are too great for small businesses to navigate and overcome She has directed several county departments, including the Department of Regional Planning and Public Works, to engage impacted stakeholders to review the existing land development permitting process, identify bottlenecks and look for areas to improve the technical, operational and cultural aspects of the process.



CITY OF LANCASTER

Lancaster has over 4,000 acres of Opportunity Zones, with unique redevelopment or new development options. All zoning types are represented, so there is ample room for various developments. Lancaster's OZs include:

Downtown Lancaster: The epicenter of arts, culture, entertainment and dining in Lancaster, the downtown district offers commercial and residential uses in a Main Street setting.

Transit-Oriented District: Located adjacent to the Metrolink, this area is prime for walkable, mixed-use, transit-oriented developments near the heart of downtown Lancaster.

Medical Main Street: Anchored by a new, state-of-the-art Antelope Valley Medical Center facility, the district offers 100 vacant acres. Medical offices, residential, hospitality and commercial retailers will come together in this integrated, mixed-use, healthy lifestyle hub.

Parkway Village: Envisioned for the young professional, this area is ripe for high-density, mixed-use developments, encompassing a variety of housing stock and quality-of-life amenities.

Sierra: Located along Sierra Highway, there are residential, commercial, and industrial development opportunities.



CITY OF PALMDALE

Palmdale has six designated Opportunity Zones that incorporate approximately 17 percent of the total city population. These designated Census Tract zones let businesses invest for a valuable tax benefit. Investments made by individuals through special funds in these Opportunity Zones defer or eliminate federal taxes on capital gains.

Palmdale also enjoys its own Foreign Trade Zone #191 that offers key advantages to businesses involved in international trade. Palmdale's FTZ allows for expansion to neighboring areas of the AV, the Santa Clarita region and San Fernando Valley and currently includes nearly 1,500 acres of industrial property. Thanks to this zone, you can often differ or eliminate tariffs and duties paid on imported goods until they are sold. This allows improved cash flow and better management of inventories while adding value to goods.



GREATER TEHACHAPI VALLEY

The City of Tehachapi (Census Tract 61) is a qualified opportunity zone. This has led to several private investments and re-investments over the last several years. Residential construction and commercial development/purchases are being leveraged due to this designation.



CALIFORNIA CITY

The City's centrally located Federal Opportunity Zone is zoned for commercial development. The zone is ideally situated for a potential hotel, golf course housing development, retail, anchor grocery store and restaurants. This zone and other locations in the City can be eligible for multiple incentives.

CITY OF RIDGECREST

Opportunity Zones can be utilized to fund a wide array of community-supported projects from renewable energy to affordable housing. The City of Ridgecrest has a qualified opportunity zone in Census Tract 53 which allows zoning for developments including: residential; general/service commercial; professional office; light industrial; civic/institutional; and recreation/school/public uses.

FILM IN THE AV

LANCASTER

Lancaster has seen a growth in film production over the past several years.

Notable projects filmed in Lancaster included "The Little Things," "Dog," "Mayans MC," "American Gigolo," "Extreme Home Makeover," "911 Lone Star," "Nike," "Young Sheldon," "Shooter," "BMW," "All American Homecoming," "Loot," "Space Force," "Toyota" and Tiësto & Charlie XCX," a music video.

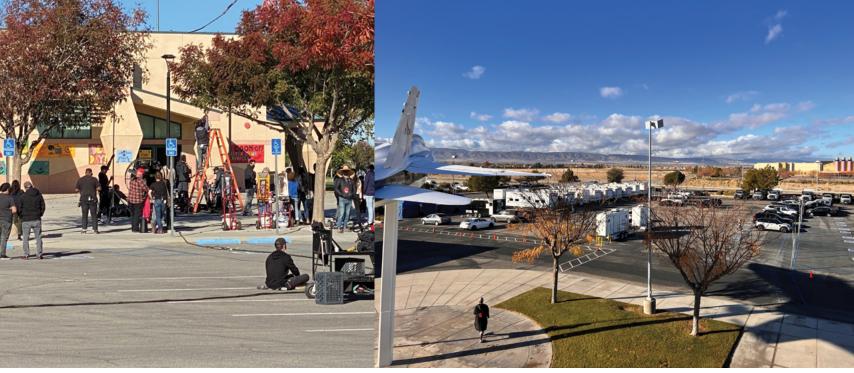
A larger number of these were filmed at the city's stadium. Among recent productions were commercials for Southwest Airlines, Chase bank, Bank of America, Coors Light, StubHub and Geico.

Lancaster has had the pleasure of hosting production of pilots, commercial and advertising campaigns, feature films, music video and numerous international filming operations. These productions have brought some of the industry's most influential directors, producers and production companies to the Antelope Valley.

Lancaster has certainly made its mark as the film industry's backlot.

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PALMDALE

HOLLYWOOD'S EVENTUAL EXPANSION INTO THE AV



Palmdale, the Crown Jewel of the Antelope Valley, is located in North LA County, less than an hour from studios and production support services in the LA basin. Palmdale has provided Hollywood with scenic and diverse locations since the earliest days of Hollywood in what is referred to the silent film era of filmmaking. It has portrayed the Holy Land for biblical epics, the Wild West for countless Westerns, and even landscapes for sci-fi classics. A multitude of blockbuster movies and streaming television shows have had key scenes filmed here in the Palmdale.

Over the past few years, Palmdale has seen a surge in filming, and an increase of film related business as available space in Hollywood is scarce. As the film industry continues to grow, the need for large sound stages and state-of-the art production centers will increase. Palmdale will be the next logical place for expansion.

Palmdale enjoys the unique distinction of being located within the State Film Office's Secondary Zone, which adds an additional Ten Miles to the traditional TMZ (Thirty

Mile "Studio" Zone).

TMZ (Thirty Mile "Studio" Zone)



The City of Palmdale is aggressively working to further develop its reputation as a film-friendly city and ways to support this industry and bring more filming opportunities to Palmdale. The new Palmdale Film Stage was recently completed and features a 6,000 square foot film stage and will feature a large CYC Wall with a green screen (50' W x 12'H). The film stage, located on Sierra Hwy just north of Palmdale Blvd, is available for hourly rentals for filming and photography and will accommodate a variety of productions including music videos, film, television, photoshoots, and more.

Film Palmdale is finalizing a new incentive program that will include incentives to subsidize and refund basic permit fees for qualified productions as well as provide partial refunds for TOT taxes for hotel stays related to filming. The film program website FilmPalmdale.com was recently launched and provides easy access to diverse film locations in Palmdale and is an all-in-one site for production companies, film crews and industry professionals to access information about filming in Palmdale.

The State has also extended many of its incentive programs and increased funding. The California Film Tax Credit Program provides tax credits to eligible productions that are produced in California. In-state spending on filming related activities grew from \$2.13 billion in fiscal year 2021 to \$2.28 billion in the fiscal year ending in 2022.









City of Palmdale Film Liaison: David Halver

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To obtain filming permits for any location in the Antelope Valley visit filmla.com

Antelope Valley Film Office

For additional information and filming support visit AVFilm.com

2022 FILM PERMITS ISSUED FOR MAJOR FILM AND TELEVISION **PRODUCTIONS**

Palmdale & LA 936 Unicorporated areas

2022 HOTEL ROOMS/NIGHTS RELATED TO FILMING ACTIVITY

Palmdale Hotels 3,024







EDUCATION

ANTELOPE VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

176 Holston Drive, Lancaster, CA 93535, (661) 948-7655

The Antelope Valley Union High School District (AVUHSD) includes eight traditional and three alternative high schools, SOAR — an early college high school on the Antelope Valley College campus — the no-cost, charter Academy Prep Junior High, an online education program and Antelope Valley Adult Education. The district serves 23,000 students in the cities of Palmdale and Lancaster, and the surrounding area.

Schools offer a variety of programs to prepare students for college and careers. Career academies and pathways focus students' coursework toward a specific field of interest, including industries such as agriculture, digital design, engineering, environmental science, health care, law and government, the arts and multi-media.

MISSION & VISION

To provide a safe and secure learning environment that promotes a rigorous curriculum and enables students to develop the necessary academic, technical, and workrelated skills of the 21st century. Every student who graduates will be prepared to pursue college and any career to which he or she aspires

TOP 2022 MILESTONES

Antelope Valley Union High School District was very excited to return to in-person learning. The district welcomed students and staff back and engaging teaching and learning is taking place in the classroom. The excitement is palpable on campuses — from activities to sporting events school pride is at an all-time high.

No. 2 Antelope Valley Union High School is proud of the strides the district has made to ensure students are college and career ready. Two high school academies that have received Gold Certification through Linked Learning Alliance and three are Silver Certification recipients. Schools with certified pathways show their dedication to continual improvement and unlocking real benefits for all students. They are recognized for their commitment to excellence and equity in education. In addition, at the onset of the school year the district opened AV Union's second early college high school campus located in the heart of Palmdale near AVC's Palmdale location. This site currently houses a freshman class with plans to expand to grades 9-12 in the upcoming years.

Some specialized programs within the district include:

Eastside High School's Biomedical Sciences Academy. Eastside's nationally-recognized Biomedical Academy had an exciting year, featuring an array of engaging field trips, newly-approved CTE courses and several college tours. The school's Kerin Coffey was honored as Teacher of the Year for Los Angeles County and featured in several front-

page articles in the local newspaper.



Students participate in a health care simulation as part of their studies at Eastside High School's Biomedical

The academy is now up to 15 teachers, including the newly-hired Tyra Wallace, who was a graduate of the academy's inaugural class several years ago. These exciting developments are all part of the academy's desire to give students a real-world, hands-on education designed to prepare them for both college and career.

Nowhere is this pursuit of integrated learning better exemplified than by our new Healthcare Simulation Summer Internship Program, hosted in collaboration with Antelope Valley College and Kaiser Permanente. This four-week program allowed 15 students to work with highfidelity mannequins under the guidance of real healthcare professionals and college

professionals.

Thanks to a partnership with the American Job Center Of California, the healthcare simulation also served as a paid internship opportunity for students, several of whom went on to work at Antelope Valley Hospital at the conclusion of their internship. The program is expected to expand to 20 new students this upcoming summer.



A group of students learn about health care at Eastside High School's Biomedical Science Academy.

Eastside High School's Education & Social Services Academy The Education and Social Services Academy prepares students to pursue a career as a teacher, counselor, psychologist or social worker. Students learn the importance of social emotional learning along with the five competencies which are self-awareness, self-management, growth mindset, self-efficacy and social awareness. Students in the academy interact with experts in their desired fields, go on field trips, and gain first-hand experience through internships. Over the past year students have advocated for suicide prevention and awareness and other mental health disorders. Students have learned about child development from conception

through adolescence. While learning about human development, students completed a parenting budget worksheet as well as an egg baby project. Students complete crosscurricular activities allowing them to see how the content that they are learning will assist them in multiple areas.



Eastside students at the Science Center.

Highland High School's Public Service Academy The Public Service Academy aims to intertwine itself with STEM components throughout its curriculum and instruction while engaging a diverse community of learners. The program is designed to prepare students for careers in the medical and



Students in Highland High School's Public Service Academy.

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Students in Highland High School's Public Service Academy learn about life-saving interventions

public service professions. It uses science, technology, engineering and math in various capacities to achieve this objective. In the health care and science-based courses, where understanding the human body's structural and physiological components is essential, students are provided with the capabilities to use technologies — including augmented reality and diagnostic equipment — to appreciate and understand the human form. To prepare for their future careers, students are placed in highly-stressful and highly-immersive situations that best represent and mirror real-world applications of emergency healthcare response. Students apply their critical thinking and problemsolving capabilities during these immersive scenarios while using evidence-based practices and technologies to mitigate the situation appropriately.

Lancaster High School's Multimedia & **Engineering Academy** The Gold Certified Linked Learning Academy at Lancaster High School offers a unique opportunity for students to engage and learn through integrated lessons, apply knowledge through project-based learning, and develop career skills while still in high school. Students select a pathway that interests them (multimedia or engineering), then follow a carefully designed curriculum that develops their critical thinking, problem solving, and technical skills. Academy teachers work together to support the lessons in each classroom, so students expand their learning across all classes, and



Lancaster High School's Multimedia & Engineering Academy students visited the Museum of the Holocaust and were able to speak to a survivor

apply their skills in the community. Students master the use of 21st century technology, innovate creative solutions for modern problems, develop real-world job skills, and become the leaders of tomorrow. This year the academy continues to expand students' knowledge through rigorous coursework, real life applications, guest speakers and field trips.

Palmdale High School's Engineering Academy Thanks to AviNation, in the last few months of the 2022-2023 school year, instructors were able to bring in about a dozen aviation experts to hold small group



Students working on simple robots in the Multimedia & Engineering Academy at Lancaster High School

presentations for students at Palmdale High School's Engineering Academy, Professionals ranging from fighter pilots to air traffic controllers provided students with first-hand information on their careers, how to obtain them and even some hands-on training for what people in those jobs do on a daily basis. Representatives of NASA have discussed partnering and offering paid internships to students after they graduate from high school and enter college. NASA personnel were highly impressed with the academy's drone racing and solar car teams and hope to



Palmdale High School students create paper rockets at an

work with our students to help them bridge the gap between college and career. These two programs are making great progress as the academy prepares for another year of competition to again show that PHS is a nationwide contender for both. Even more is planned as students move through the 2022-2023 school year. A number of field trips are planned including visits to Cal Poly Pomona, Cal Tech, USC, and Northridge — in addition to visits to industry partners. The academy also strives to provide students with a chance to learn coding, fabrication and design and so much more.

Palmdale High School's Health Careers **Academy** Established in 2006, the Palmdale High School Health Careers Academy is a comprehensive four-year program serving about 500 students that combines academic courses with clinical instruction. More specifically, the program integrates medicine and technology into common core subjects such as English, science, and social studies while involving students in service learning projects, job shadowing, and internships in the community. The Health Careers Academy has two primary goals: To provide all Academy students with an academically rigorous and experientially relevant educational program so they are exposed to and prepared for high-skill, high-wage careers in the healthcare industry. And to



Palmdale High School students practice techniques while working on their injection certification to be eligible for the state Medical Assisting certification exam.

prepare students to succeed in instructions of higher learning. Key academic classes that meet eligibility requirements for admission to the state's colleges and universities are integrated with relevant applications in the health industry and health professions.

Quartz Hill High School's TV and Video **Academy** The Quartz Hill Television and Video Academy provides an opportunity for students to learn all aspects of video production, broadcasting and cmmunications. QHTV features STEM components throughout its curriculum and instruction while engaging a diverse community of learners with higher learning through a heavy project-based learning environment. In addition to preparing students for careers in the communications and entertainment field, the program focuses on aspects of leadership and group cooperation and equipment responsibility and utilization that will continue to be of use to the students, no matter which career they enter. Students use technologies and work their way toward an on-site internship opportunity their senior year. Internships are in partnership with Odyssey TV and NTXD-TV in Victorville and Dallas, Texas, respectively. Many industry partners also work with the academy including Disney, ABC, USC, and Columbia College Hollywood. Best practices are applied to prepare students for real-life situations. Students apply critical thinking and problem-solving capabilities during immersive live broadcasts and field production shoots while using evidencebased practices and technologies to navigate the situations appropriately. The QHTV Academy takes pride in providing an inclusive



Hands-on experience helps students learn about TV and video production at Quartz Hill High School.

environment and opportunities for our students to prepare them to become leaders and problem solvers.programs, contact Duane Robertson at drobertson@avhsd.org, or Betsy McKinstry at bmckinstry@avhsd.org.

LANCASTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

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For the 2022-23 school year Lancaster School District welcomed a new Superintendent of Schools. After 10 years of service as superintendent, Dr. Michelle Bowers retired and Dr. Paul Marietti was selected to lead the district. He earned his undergraduate degree in history from California State University, Fullerton, a master's degree in history from California State University, Los Angeles, and a master's degree in educational administration from Azusa Pacific University. He also earned a doctorate in educational leadership from California Lutheran University. He has been married to his wife Sonie for 22 years, and has two daughters, both currently enrolled in the University of California system.



MISSION

The mission of the Lancaster School District is to provide a relevant, high-quality education within an inclusive and culturally respectful environment, preparing all students for personal and professional success. The district's vision is to create options and excellence in education, empowering all students to reach their full potential. **Educating Antelope Valley youth** since 1885, the district provides excellent educational opportunities for the more than 15,000 students. Well-maintained school buildings and grounds reflect the importance the district places upon providing a safe and welcoming environment for students, staff and parents.

TOP 2022 MILESTONES

No. 1 For the 2022-23 school year Lancaster School District is excited to be back to full in-person **learning**. After years of interruption due to COVID-19, district students are fully back in the classroom and parents and community members have been able to attend events on campuses. Although precautions due to the virus are still in place, the district is happy to get back to a sense of normalcy in education.

No. 2 Lancaster School District continues to place safety first. Top of the line video cameras have been installed in three of the district's four comprehensive middle schools with plans to install them at the remaining middle school and elementary schools. Safety updates and modifications have been made to ensure our campuses remain safe.

ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE

3041 W. Avenue K, Lancaster, CA 93536, (661) 722-6300

Antelope Valley College is continuing Measure AV buildout and opening a new Student Center Building off 30th Street. The continued renovation at the Lancaster campus and Palmdale center locations allows for the expansion of program offerings into new spaces. The college is expanding both face-to-face and online offerings to ensure access to certificate and degree programs as well as expanding our dual enrollment and workforce development areas to better serve the community. AVC is now a teaching college in the California Virtual Campus, which means we can serve any student looking for online education, regardless of their home college.

MISSION

Antelope Valley College, a public institution of higher education, provides a quality, comprehensive education to a diverse population of learners. We are committed to student success offering value and opportunity, in service to our community and to provide quality education that transforms lives.

Antelope Valley College has three locations — 3041 West Avenue K, Lancaster; 2301 Palmdale Blvd., Palmdale and Fox Field in Lancaster



TOP 2022 MILESTONES

No. 1 AVC opened a new instructional space in May 2022. The 35,466 square-foot building will support electronics, avionics, welding, fire technology and the **Aircraft Fabrication and Assembly** program. AVC is one of the few community colleges in the country offering composites fabrication and repair.

No. 2 In July 2022, AVC welcomed its 16th Superintendent/President, Dr. Jennifer Zellet. She has served at all levels of administration in the community college system and holds a Ph.D. in English and a master's degree in Scottish and Irish Studies. Her focus at AVC is to build a culture of service to students and the community and to prepare students for careers of the future.



CERRO COSO COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Part of the Kern Community College District and headquartered in Ridgecrest, Cerro Coso has expanded its service to seven instructional sites that include the East Kern region of California City, Mojave, Boron, Edwards Air Force Base, Lake Isabella and Tehachapi. With a spirit of innovation and creativity, the college engages in activities designed to enhance the learning environment and provide for the ever-changing needs of the students and communities it serves. With a large range of online and in-person courses, the college also offers a dual enrollment program throughout its service area, allowing high school students an opportunity to earn college and high school credit simultaneously. Students can also earn an associate degree for transfer by participating in the college's dual and concurrent enrollment programs.





Located on the Antelope Valley College campus, CSUB Antelope Valley offers accredited programs leading to bachelor's degrees in a number of areas including business administration, child, adolescent and family studies, criminal justice, interdisciplinary studies, liberal studies, natural sciences, religious studies, RN to BSN (online) and sociology. Teaching credential programs for all grade levels and special education are offered, along with master's degree programs in business administration, education administration, special education, social work, administration and curriculum and instruction. www.csub.edu/av







CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH

CSULB offers an engineering program in the Antelope Valley. It is a full-time, highly structured 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. Designed for students who've completed two years of coursework at a community college or another university, the program provides students an opportunity to apply for internships and long-term employment at Air Force Research Lab, Lockheed Martin Aeronautics, Air Force Test Center at Edwards, NASA Armstrong Flight Research Center, Northrop Grumman, and Hyundai-Kia America Technical Center, as well as other organizations in the Antelope Valley.

www.csulb.edu/college-of-engineering/avengineering-program



UMASS GLOBAL - ANTELOPE VALLEY

Established as an educational resource for the Edwards Air Force Base in 1971, the Antelope Valley campus of UMass Global (formerly Brandman University) strives to make education more accessible to military personnel, their families and others. A campus focused on working students, UMass Global is located just off

Highway 14 near the Antelope Valley Mall. It provides year-round sessions, flexible formats, tutoring, scholar-practitioner faculty and an exceptional educational value with a variety of degree programs available.

www.umassglobal.edu/about-umassglobal/ campus/antelope-valley



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HEALTH CARE



PALMDALE REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

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Palmdale Regional Medical Center serves the region by providing high quality medical services to residents of the Antelope Valley and surrounding communities. With the addition of the Rehabilitation Institute (an inpatient rehabilitation unit for stroke, brain injury/trauma, spinal cord injury and complex orthopedic issues), the hospital features 184 licensed acute care beds as well as inpatient and outpatient surgery, an Advanced Primary Stroke Center, cardiac services featuring a designated STEMI Receiving Center (heart attack care), a newly-opened maternity unit called 'The Birth Place', and a 35-bed 24-hour emergency department. Additionally, the Center for Wound Care provides treatment for people with chronic non-healing wounds. This comprehensive wound-healing service includes hyperbaric oxygen therapy.

Palmdale Regional recently partnered with City of Hope to bring world-class urology, urologic oncology, medical oncology, and surgery services to Palmdale. In addition, Palmdale Regional will be launching a medical residency program to begin training the next generation of physicians. The programs will include family medicine, internal medicine, and surgery.

TOP 2022 MILESTONES

No. 1 The partnership with City of Hope will bring muchneeded cancer care services to Palmdale Regional Medical Center. This affiliation will allow future growth in additional multi-faceted cancer care services.

No. 2 Palmdale Regional Medical Center is now part of the newly created regional brand, **Southwest Healthcare**. Together as a network with our other southern California facilities owned by parent company Universal Health Services, we will build upon our impressive roster of team members, providers, locations and resources to offer patients improved access and choice for quality healthcare.

Palmdale's recent General Plan update added a health and wellness land use designation. This will help develop a medical campus around Palmdale Regional Medical Center to support the hospital and expand medical and health services to the area. Soon to be under construction is a 10,000 square foot medical surgical center by Toneman Development.





Bakersfield | Delano | Tehachapi

Adventist Health Tehachapi Valley, is proud to be the region's premiere healthcare provider, offering a state-ofthe-art critical access hospital, three medical offices for primary care, a rehabilitation center and specialties new to our hometown and surrounding communities.

Compelled by the heartfelt mission of "living God's love by inspiring health, wholeness and hope," Adventist Health is reimagining healthcare in Tehachapi and beyond. As the 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 their town. Together, we are inspired to build a healthier community in Tehachapi for generations.

AdventistHealth.org/ TehachapiValley.



Antelope Valley Medical Center

Since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic in early 2020, Antelope Valley Medical Center (AVMC) has consistently seen and treated thousands of patients with COVID. In early 2022, it was noted that AVMC could officially say they had ZERO COVID positive patients in the hospital. Although the patient count could have changed at any point, at that moment in time, AVMC staff could exhale and acknowledge the milestone. AVMC recognizes the physicians, nurses and staff who stayed strong and true on the frontlines of the pandemic.

Clinical locations:

Antelope Valley Medical Center - Lancaster Women & Infants Pavilion - Lancaster OB/GYN outpatient clinic - Lancaster Antelope Valley Outpatient Lab Services - Lancaster Antelope Valley Outpatient Imaging Center - two in Palmdale and two in Lancaster

Non-clinical locations:

Antelope Valley WIC service offices - Palmdale and Lancaster New to You Thrift Store - Lancaster

Contact:

(661) 949-5000 avmc.org

"We're preparing for the future today, and as our community continues to grow, AVMC is expanding its space and services to meet the increased demand for comprehensive quality medical care."

— Edward Mirzabegian, CEO, Antelope Valley Medical Center.







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 of 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.



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 experience a

positive healing environment with advance chemo and infusion therapy, rendered in an atmosphere of care and compassion.

CityofHope.org/AntelopeValley.

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HIGH DESERT MEDICAL GROUP

Because of the health improvement programs instituted at HDMG, representatives were invited to go to Washington D.C. and speak to the National Institutes of Health and multiple congressional leaders. The programs have been copied by medical groups and hospital systems all over the United States. HDMG feels both blessed and grateful it had the opportunity to make this kind of impact. "We could not have done this without our leadership and collaborative effort, not only between the HDMG teams, but also being embraced by the community and particularly by the local hospital systems," said Dr. Richard Merkin, who has collaborated with many schools of medicine and institutes to push the limitations of technology and modern science.

TOP 2022 MILESTONES

No. 1 Under the leadership of Charles Lim, M.D., HDMG Medical Director, and Rafael Gonzalez, M.Ed., M.S., HDMG Administrator, High Desert Medical Group has focused on the delivery of a five-star patient experience, cultivating a more compassionate patient encounter — a village of caring, with patient-centered health education programs, specialized disease management support, individualized pharmacist assistance and compassionate primary care providers.

No. 2 For Medicare Advantage members, High Desert Medical Group enriches senior lifestyles with the free "Empowered for Life" program which incorporates fitness classes, daily creative activities, social interaction and events and health education to improve senior health. The program is designed to support medical visits, annual screenings and medication therapies.

BUSINESS/COMMUNITY QUOTES

"HDMG's founding principles hold true today — and to continue as the Antelope Valley's preferred healthcare provider, HDMG practices a strong set of values: excellence, respect, and accountability. Mission: to provide members with the highest quality healthcare experience. Vision: to be the Antelope Valley's first choice for healthcare and employment options. This additional focus on being the premiere choice for healthcare employment is vital to excellent healthcare delivery. HDMG is proud to be employee nominated as a 'Great Place to Work' for four consecutive years."

- Don Parazo, M.D., HDMG Associate Medical Director.

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 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.





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

THE COMMUNITY WELLNESS RESOURCE CENTER (CWRC)

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.

AVEDGE 41 2023 Economic Report

AVEDGECA.ORG

WESLEY HEALTH CENTERS (WCH)

WCH is a leading health care provider for low-income and homeless patients. The care network extends across Los Angeles County operating 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. Wesley specializes 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. Jwchlnstitute.org/



one of America's leading health care providers and not-for-profit health plans—has helped people get and stay healthy in the high desert since 1968. With more than 170 physicians and 1,200 employees, Kaiser Permanente provides high quality care to more than 150,000 patients at five convenient locations in Lancaster and Palmdale.

Primary care services—pediatrics, internal medicine, and family medicine—are available in Lancaster and Palmdale. Each location houses diagnostic imaging, pharmacy, and laboratory with extended hours to accommodate members' busy schedules.

More than 25 specialty care services, as well as an outpatient procedure suite,

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diagnostic imaging, pharmacy, and laboratory are available at the state-of-the-art Antelope Valley Medical Offices, known to many as the "Butterfly Building." The modern, eco-friendly building is designed to be home to up to 70 clinicians.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Kaiser Permanente Antelope Valley partnered with the City of Lancaster and the AV Fair and Events Center to host a COVID-19 vaccine clinic for both members and nonmembers. Overall, Kaiser Permanente administered over 100,000 vaccine doses to nearly 75,000 Antelope Valley residents at the Fairgrounds, and continues to provide vaccinations at its medical offices.

As the largest nonprofit health plan in the United States, and the largest private

employer in California, Kaiser Permanente has a social mission to provide high-quality, affordable health care that improves the health of patients and the communities we serve. Community health programs are a central part of fulfilling this mission.

Additionally, Kaiser Permanente improves the health of communities it serves 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 the service area, and helps friends, loved ones and neighbors thrive.



AIR QUALITY & UTILITIES

ANTELOPE VALLEY AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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 operations 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 corporative 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 AVAQMD.ca.gov



KERN COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT

The Board of Directors acts as the governing body of the East Kern Air Pollution Control District a special district in east Kern County. The Board consists of five members; three city council members and two county supervisors. Board meetings are open to the public. (661) 862-5250 KernAir.org





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UTILITIES

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Southern California Edison (800) 655-4555 SCE.com

NATURAL GAS

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427-2000 SoCalGas.com

WATER CONSERVATION

Mojave Public Utility District (661) 824-4161 Wakc.com

SANITATION

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RosamondChamber.org

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PARKS & RECREATION

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

L.A. County has hundreds of parks, lakes, and trails. Supervisor Kathryn Barger supports maintaining and improving these valuable resources for current and future generations. The county's Department of Parks and Recreations, with input from community residents, continues to work on expanding recreation facilities in unincorporated L.A. County. This included creating the future Primmer Park in Littlerock and preservation work at Lake Los Angeles' Tameobit Wildlife Sanctuary.

Parks can have a life-saving mission, too. When COVID-19 public health orders initially limited indoor park facility activities, many parks pivoted to serving as pandemic emergency relief sites. County staff offered testing, vaccinations, and free groceries at many park sites. In 2021, Supervisor Barger, L.A. County's Department of Parks and Recreation, and the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank joined forces and hosted 21 food distribution events, reaching over 24,470 households and distributing 1.4M pounds of groceries across all of North County. In the Antelope Valley, 9,729 families received 510,893 pounds of groceries.





CITY OF LANCASTER

Lancaster's Parks, Arts, Recreation and Community Services (PARCS) Department oversees a variety of facilities, special events and community programs, including the newly renovated Community Center.

Through the Community Services Division, Lancaster partners with the Lost Angels Children's Project. Lost Angels is



a nonprofit that serves disadvantaged youth, families and distressed communities through innovative vocational training, social enterprise and



traditional outreach programs. A 12week work program is offered, in which youth ages 18-24 are given a six-week apprenticeship and six weeks of on-thejob training. During this time, individuals learn highly transferable skills that can get them jobs in the aeronautics, aerospace, automotive and manufacturing industries. In addition to hands-on skills, they are also taught soft skills, resume-building and ways to prepare for an interview. Following graduation, individuals are able to land jobs at some of the region's top employers, including Northrop Grumman, Lance Camper, BYD and more. Program participants enjoy a job placement rate of over 90 percent.

CITY OF PALMDALE

Palmdale held 125 events in 2022 which included the Summer Concert Series, Movie Nights, Kaleidoscope Art & Music Festival, Springfest, the Palmdale Healing & Honor Field, the AV Wall and Jolly Holiday on the Square & Holiday Lights Across Palmdale. Palmdale hosts approximately 25 softball tournaments annually. This past year over 460 teams were welcomed traveling from the western part of the country including teams from Hawaii. Palmdale pools served a record number of swim lessons last summer. Additionally, the 2022 DryTown Water Park season saw strong park attendance at 82,174, commonly selling out of daily admission tickets on the weekends.



Rancho Vista Park - Rancho Vista Park, a 3-acre neighborhood park located on Town Center Drive, between 35th Street West and Bolz Ranch Road, opened in August 2022. The park features a covered/ shaded inclusive playground, an accessible walking path with lighting, picnic areas and shade trees, stone wall, story time area, Little Free Library- a community book share, pet waste station, therapeutic wellness garden/meditation space, and a restroom.



Public Art "Revolution" - A distinctive new public art sculpture, was installed at the Palmdale Auto Mall in December titled "Revolution". This one-of-a-kind sculpture created by artist Heath Satow creates a sense of motion through its shape and the way the world reflects in it. The curves of vehicular body shapes are mirrored in the curves of the sculpture and the mirror-polished stainless-steel finish is reminiscent of one of the most common details on cars- chrome. Partnering with the Palmdale Auto Mall, this is the City's first public/private partnership of public



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art. The sculpture is part of the Palmdale Public Art program and represents the Public Art Commission's first formal unveiling. The City has made significant investment through the Public Art fund to support projects that demonstrate the important contributions that public art makes to the economy and general welfare of the people living, working, and visiting Palmdale.

KERN COUNTY

Parks are an important part of the quality of life, and Kern County continues to invest in parks.

Planned this year is a \$3 million project to improve Mojave East Park, replacing restroom facilities, providing a new paved parking lot and more.



Mojave Park Upgrade

Kern County Parks & Recreation manages eight regional parks, 40 neighborhood parks and 25 public buildings, supervises three golf courses and landscapes 76 county buildings.

Parks in East Kern include the 490acre Tehachapi Mountain Park offering hiking, nature awareness, camping and equestrian trail riding. Neighborhood parks in East Kern managed by the county include Boron Park, Inyokern Park, Mojave East and Mojave West parks, North Edwards Park, Randsburg Park, Rosamond Park and two parks in Ridgecrest — Leroy Jackson and Petroglyph Park.



Rosamond Park

CITY OF RIDGECREST

In 2022, the city was awarded \$1.8 million from the Caltrans Clean California grant program to make substantial improvements to the Leroy Jackson Sports Complex. The city has used federal and state programs including the American Rescue Plan Act and the Community

Development Block Grant, to fund additional improvement projects on site. Once completed, the revitalized Leroy lackson Sports Complex will serve as a prime location for sporting and recreation events.



Pearson Park, Ridgecrest

CITY OF TEHACHAPI

The City of Tehachapi is the entertainment destination for the entire Tehachapi region and serves as a special event hub for much of East Kern. Visitors flock to Tehachapi by the thousands each year for festivals including the Tehachapi Mountain Festival, Tehachapi Apple Festival and the All-American 4th of July Festival. Not only are festivals popular, but special events such as the En Plein Air paint-out and art show hosted by the Tehachapi Arts Commission bring world-renowned artists to Tehachapi each summer to paint the natural surroundings. The paintings are then sold at a show each summer to benefit local parks and recreation programming.



Tehachapi Mountain Park

CALIFORNIA CITY

Located in the middle of two state parks, Red Rock Canyon and Tomo-Kahni, the closest park is just 17 miles to the north via Neuralia Road, Red Rock Canyon. Red Rock has something to offer everyone. 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 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 the desert home.



Red Rock Canyon



Mustang Momma, painting by Annette Hammer at the 2022 En Plein Air Tehachapi Arts Commission art show.

RETAIL

Retail is an important sector of the local economy for a number of reasons. A portion of sales tax generated at local stores stays in the community to help build and maintain important infrastructure and fund programs enjoyed

Big box stores and other large retailers not only generate a lot of sales tax but also help keep shoppers in the community. And those who shop at locally-owned businesses are helping the community in more ways than one. Entrepreneurs are the engine of growth — small business fuels economic innovation and growth, bringing a better quality of life to all concerned.

Major retailers have been attracted to larger cities in the Antelope Valley -Lancaster and Palmdale — and draw customers from throughout the region. Ridgecrest, Tehachapi and smaller communities all have some larger chaintype grocery stores and other retailers. But each of the communities also has unique home-grown retailers to discover.

Check out this selection:

LANCASTER

AVPOPSHOP

An expansive indoor swap meet with many vendors, a food court, an ice cream shop and specialty services. AVPopShop.business.site

SOL PLAZA BOUTIQUE MALL

Shop, eat and be entertained at Lancaster's only indoor shopping center. It hosts a variety of unique shops and services as well as an array of different eateries to satisfy any appetite. SolPlazaShopping.com

THE BLVD

Nestled between Avenue I and Avenue J, the bustling shops and activities found on Downtown Lancaster BLVD are located between 10th Street West and Sierra Highway. The BLVD is an endeavor to bring back the downtown experience, with a decidedly modern twist. Part of a wider trend to create inviting new spaces for people to mix and mingle. It is a place where the community comes to celebrate, enjoy good friends and meet their neighbors. You'll find a wide range of shopping, dining and service establishments as well as entertainment and special events. TheBlvdLancaster.com

Also in Lancaster, you will find a number of unique businesses including:

FloraDonas Cakery

Spreading love through sugar since 2018 (not your usual bakery). FloraDonnacakes.

Li'l Book bug on the BLVD

A wide selection of new and used books at reasonable prices. Facebook.com/lilbookbug

Nantiquez Vintage Flairr

A unique vintage boutique specializing in fun, creative and special clothing, furniture and retro items.

https://nantiquezvintageflair.com/

Pharmacy Lancaster

One of eight retail locations in Southern California (another is in Palmdale) offering skateboards, clothing and accessories. PharmacyBoardShop.com

Vinyl Alley/Voodoo Vinyl

A small family-owned and operated record shop in Lancaster (and also in Newhall). VoodooVinylrecords.com

Wow Beauty

A beauty supply superstore on THE BLVD in Lancaster. WowBeautySupply.com

Mom Boss Boutique

Fun, fashionable and affordable clothing for all body shapes and sizes. MomBossBoutique.net

PALMDALE.

You will find major shopping in Palmdale at and around the Antelope Valley Mall and at shopping centers throughout the city including:

47th Street Pavilion

Nearly 476,000 square feet of shopping and dining anchored by a Super Target and Home Depot with many other favorites. MallsInAmerica.com/ california/47th-street-pavilion

Amargosa Commons

Prominent shopping center with nearly 173,000 square feet of shopping in the heart of AV's retail corridor.

ANTELOPE VALLEY MALL

With about a million square feet of shopping and dining opportunities, the Antelope Valley Mall is home to a 16-screen Cinemark theater as well as numerous large and small retailers and restaurants. AV-Mall.com

PALMDALE INTERNATIONAL SHOP-**PING MALL**

Multiple vendors offer a wide variety of merchandise at great prices in an indoor venue. PalmdaleMall.com

Destination O-8

Popular shopping center is home to one of Palmdale's two Super Walmarts.

Palmdale Market Place

More than 209,000 square feet of shopping and dining.

Palmdale Promenade

Commercial center with more than 96,000 square feet of retail space.

RIDGECREST

Among the unique businesses you will find in Ridgecrest are:

Butterfly Boutique

An upscale resale store that supports Ridgecrest Regional Hospice. RRH.org/RRH-Foundation/The-Butterfly-**Boutique**



Just Imagine

Toys and games for kids and adults, hobby supplies, collectible card games and comics.

Facebook.com/JustImagineToysandGames

Red Rock Books

More than 7,000 square feet of used and new books near downtown Ridgecrest with, unique gifts, comfy seating, an official feline greeter, a children's area and a welcoming atmosphere. RedRockBooks.net

GREATER TEHACHAPI

Among unique shops in Greater Tehachapi, you will find a number of shops along the city's main street, Tehachapi Boulevard — most within walking distance of each other — and others near the downtown area — that offer a variety of vintage items.

These include:

Go2Girlz Antique Boutique & Antiques and Funky Junk!

Go2Girlz.org

Sheridan's Boutique Home **Consignment** SheridansConsignment.com

This & That Home Decor

Facebook.com/ThisandThathd

Spaceflow Yoga

SpaceflowYoga.com



U-neek Findz Facebook.com/uneekfindz



ENTERTAINMENT

From museums to sporting events, performances to outdoor activities — the Antelope Valley offers an amazing array of entertainment. Here are just a few examples:

LANCASTER

Antelope Valley Rural Museum AVMuseum.org

Axe N' Dagger (axe-throwing fun) Axendagger.com



Big 8 Softball Complex

Big8.org



Lancaster National Soccer Center LancasterSoccerCenter.com

Lancaster Performing Arts Center LPAC.org



Museum of Art & History LancasterMOAH.org

Saddleback Butte State Park Parks.ca.gov/?page id=618



PALMDALE

Antelope Valley Country Club

AntelopeValleyCountryclub.com

AR Workshop

ARWorkshop.com/palmdale

Blackbird Airpark

Facebook.com/BlackbirdAirpark



Cinemark Antelope Valley Mall

https://www.cinemark.com/theatres/capalmdale/cinemark-antelope-valley-mall

Dry Town Water Park

DryTownWaterPark.com



Joe Davies Heritage Airpark

CityofPalmdale.org/205/Joe-Davies-Heritage-Airpark

Palmdale Amphitheater (venue)

PalmdaleAmphitheater.com



Palmdale Playhouse (venue)

PalmdalePlayhouse.com



Rancho Vista Golf Club (public)

Ranchovistagolfclub.com

Rockin' Jump (trampoline park)

RockinJump.com

BORON

20 Mule Team Museum

Facebook.com/TwentyMuleTeamMuseum

Borax Visitor Center

Borax.com/about/community/Borax-Visitor-Center

Boron Aerospace Museum



SaxonAerospaceMuseum.com

GREATER TEHACHAPI

BeeKay Theatre (performance venue) TCTOnstage.com

Golden Age Flight Museum

GoldenAgeFlightMuseum.org

Skylark North / Mountain Valley



Airport (gliderport)

SkylarkNorth.com/

Tehachapi Depot Railroad Museum TehachapiDepot.com

Tehachapi Museum & Errea House Museum

TehachapiMuseum.org

Tomo-Kahni State Historic Park

Reservations required: call (661) 946-6092 or email: Mojave.Sector@parks.ca.gov

Tehachapi Mountain Bowling

Reservations required: BowlTehachapi.com

MOJAVE

Plane Crazy Saturdays

Facebook.com/GoRidgecrest.com

RIDGECREST

California Welcome Center

Maturango.org

Maturango Museum

Maturango.org

ROSAMOND

Willow Springs International Raceway WillowSpringsRaceway.com

BEER & WINE

Entrepreneurship is evident with the continuing development of vineyards, wineries and breweries in the Antelope Valley region. Many venues also offer food, entertainment and special events.

Check out this selection:

LANCASTER

ANTELOPE VALLEY WINERY

The Antelope Valley Winery/Donato Family Vineyard is located between the cities of Lancaster and Palmdale and uses sustainable grape-growing practices. The winery is celebrating its 32nd year in business. Special events including seasonal Farmers Markets are also offered. AVWinery.com

BARRETT CELLARS

A unique destination with a private club atmosphere offering exceptional wines and a relaxed social experience. BarrettCellars.com

BRAVERY BREWING COMPANY

Founded in 2011, Bravery Brewing is a microbrewery that crafts adventurous, memorable and delicious beers for its community. BraveryBrewing.com



CHALLENGER TAP HOUSE BAR & GRILL

Restaurant and bar specializing in authentically hand-crafted food and cocktails with 60 tap handles of beer. Facebook.com/ChallengerTapHouse

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COMPLEXITY WINE LOUNGE

A fine wine and cheese lounge featuring a full food menu, extensive wine list and selection of beers from local breweries. ComplexityWine.com

CORUCE VINEYARDS AND WINERY

Proprietors Corren Savikko and Bruce Burch began growing wine grapes in the Antelope Valley in 2000 and harvested for the first time in 2012. A wine club and tasting room is offered, along with entertainment and special events. CoruceVineyardsandWinery.com

LUCKY LUKE BREWPUB

The Lancaster location offers a full-service restaurant with gourmet burgers and beers (breweries and tasting rooms are also in Palmdale and Santa Clarita). TransplantsBrewing.com



STEPHEN HEMMERT WINES

Stephen Hemmert, together with his partner and fiancée Nicole St. Julian, created what is now the Stephen Hemmert Wines brand in 2014. Each vintage is produced in small batches, making it unique and rare.

StephenHemmertwines.com

PALMDALE

BARACOA CUBAN RESTAURANT

Offers beer flights from local breweries as well as Cuban beer.

BaracoaCubanRestaurant.com

BJ'S RESTAURANT AND **BREWHOUSE**

Popular family-friendly chain pairs familiar pub fare with extensive list of house brews. BJsRestaurants.com

DOG HAUS BIERGARTEN

Offering the absolute würst gourmet hot dogs, sausages, burgers, chicken sandwiches and craft beer. Doghaus.com

YARD HOUSE

High-end sports-bar chain with a huge menu of New American fare and an extensive list of draft beers. yardhouse.

TRANSPLANTS BREWING COMPANY

Our specialty beer recipes draw from diverse, worldly and ethnic influences which often blur the lines between culinary and brewing sensibilities. In both senses, Transplants Brewing Company truly is "Ales for the Unrooted.

GREATER TEHACHAPI VALLEY

DORNER FAMILY VINEYARD

Mike and Michelle Dorner began Dorner Family Vineyard on the southern side of the Cummings Valley in 2011 as a hobby, inspired by a trip to Europe. They expanded their plantings in 2012 then went on to develop a wedding venue, tasting room and a 3,000-square-foot winery..

DornerFamilyVineyard.com



TRIASSIC LEGACY VINEYARDS

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



STRAY LEAVES VINEYARD

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). Facebook.com/StrayLeavesVineyard/



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RANCHO DE LOS VIAJEROS **VINEYARD**

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. RanchoDeLosViajeros.com



TEHACHAPI WINE & CATTLE CO.

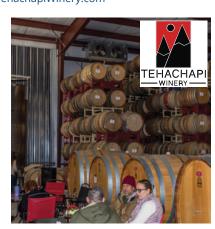
They bottled their Zinfandel under the name Tehachapi Wine and Cattle Company and since then Souza Primitivo has accumulated 10 medals. Their 2011 Primitivo took a silver and their 2010 a bronze award. In 2018 12 great red and white wines were bottled under the TWCC label.

TehachapiWineAndCattleCompany.com



TEHACHAPI WINERY

Located in Cummings Valley, nestled in the Tehachapi Mountain range, their grapes slowly ripen on the vine with concentrated sunlight, gentle breezes and 278 days of clear days and nights. The well-drained Triassic soils of granite lend to a rich and complex terroir. They focus their passion on four red varieties: Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Pinot Noir and Syrah. TehachapiWinery.com



TEHACHAPI BEER MILE

Three local breweries all within walking distance: Local Craft Beer, Westlane Brewing and Old West Brewing. #northofthetrackstehachapi

LOCAL CRAFT BEER

With an 8 bbl manual brewhouse and 120 bblS of fermentation space, everything at Tehachapi's Local Craft Beer is done by hand. Special events, too. LocalCraftBeer.net



OLD WEST BREWING CO.

Delicious craft beers and friendly atmosphere just off Highway 58 in an industrial area. Features beers brewed with artesian Tehachapi Mountain well water.

OldWestBrews.com

WESTLANE BREWING

Cold, fresh beer, food, entertainment and hospitality. Facebook.com/ WestlaneBrewing



DISCOVER TEHACHAPI

Tehachapi's new touring company offers wine tours and provides an update about events at local wineries every Thursday on its Facebook page. DiscoverTehachapi.com



P-DUBS BREW PUB

Old Town Tehachapi location offers a fullservice bar, indoor and outdoor dining, arcade, dart boards, pool and more. PDubs.Pub



MOUNTAIN BOWLING

Nestled inside P-Dubs, Mountain Bowling is Tehachapi's newest and largest family fun destination with 16 lanes of pure bowling fun! BowlTehachapi.com



MOJAVE

HIGH DESERT CELLARS

In June 2011 Efren's ambition of opening a tasting room for his wines became a reality and High Desert Cellars Tasting Room held its grand opening. The beautiful tasting room offers fine wines for tasting, as well as draft beer from Kinetic Brewing Company and Indian Wells



Brewing, bottled beer, soda, water, snacks and unique gifts. Their wines can also be enjoyed in the outdoor garden area along with a picnic lunch if desired.

HighDesertCellars.com

INYOKERN

INDIAN WELLS VALLEY BREWING **COMPANY**

"The Biggest, Little Brewery in the World", produces over 20 styles of beer each year and over 100 flavors of soda. They have partnered with Arrowhead Mt. Spring



Water, Rocket Fizz Candy & Sodas and other national beverages to produce, distribute, and create the finest beverages in the world. New items are produced every month. Stop by and visit the brewery, or check in with the website to find out what's new. MojaveRed.com

RIDGECREST

FLIGHT LINE TAP ROOM

Ridgecrest's "local fix" for craft beer with snacks available, along with board games. Kids welcome, too. FlightLineTap.com



REGIONAL BUSINESS PARKS

LANCASTER

ANTELOPE VALLEY MEDICAL MAIN STREET

Location: Avenue J & 15th Street West

Total Acreage: 340 Zoning: Specific Plan

CENTERPOINT BUSINESS PARK

Location: Avenue | & Lowtree Avenue

Total Acreage: 9.5

Zoning: Office Professional



ENTERPRISE BUSINESS PARK

Location: Sierra Highway & Avenue L-4

Total Acreage: 75

Zoning: Office/Light Industrial

FOX FIELD INDUSTRIAL CORRIDOR

Location: Avenue H West of Hwy-14

Total Acreage: 8,236 Zoning: Specific Plan

LANCASTER BUSINESS PARK

Location: Business Center Parkway &

Avenue K-8 Total Acreage: 240 **Zoning:** Specific Plan

NORTH VALLEY INDUSTRIAL CENTER

Location: Avenue H & Division Street

Total Acreage: 270 Zoning: Heavy Industrial

SOUTHERN AMARGOSA INDUSTRIAL

Location: Avenues L & M East of SR-14

Total Acreage: 1,400 **Zoning:** Light Industrial

THE BLVD

Location: Lancaster Blvd & 10th Street

West to Sierra Highway Total Acreage: 9.5

Zoning: Commercial/Office/Professional/

Specific Plan



PALMDALE

ANTELOPE VALLEY COMMERCE CENTER

Location: Ave M & Sierra Hwy

Total Acreage: 339

Zoning: Specific Plan (industrial, Employment Flex and Film Studio)

CHALLENGER BUSINESS PARK

Location: Palmdale Blvd and 5th St West

Total Acreage: 10 Zoning: Commercial

FAIRWAY BUSINESS PARK

Location: Avenue O and Division St.

Total Acreage: 115

Zoning: Business Park/Mixed

FREEWAY BUSINESS CENTER

Location: State Highway 14 & Avenue N

Total Acreage: 115 Zoning: Commercial

PALMDALE INDUSTRIAL PARK

Location: Sierra Hwy and Avenue M

Total Acreage: 400 Zoning: Industrial



PALMDALE TRADE & COMMERCE CENTER

Location: 10th St West and Rancho

Vista Blvd.

Total Acreage: 746

Zoning: Specific Plan (Industrial and

Commercial)

SIFRR A BUSINESS PARK

Location: 10th St West and Avenue M-4

Total Acreage: 30 Zoning: Commercial

SIERRA GATEWAY PARK

Location: Avenue O-8 and Sierra Hwy

Total Acreage: 133

Zoning: Industrial and Commercial



TEHACHAPI

BAILEYCOURT INDUSTRIAL PARK

Location: Tehachapi Blvd/Bailey Court

Total Acreage: 25 Zoning: M-1

TEHACHAPI MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

INDUSTRI*A*L PARK

Location: 411 N. Green Street

Total Acreage: 2 Zoning: M-1

ENTERPRISE WAY/INDUSTRIAL PARKWAY

Location: Mill Street / Industrial Way

Total Acreage: 3 Zoning: M-1

GOODRICK BUSINESS PARK (COUNTY)

Location: Dennison Road/Goodrick Road

Total Acreage: 110

Zoning: Light Industrial/Mixed

CALIFORNIA CITY

CALIFORNIA CITY AIRPORT BUSINESS PARK

Location: California City Municipal Park

Total Acreage: 40

Zoning: Industrial and M-1

RIDGECREST

RIDGECREST BUSINESS PARK

Location: China Lake Blvd & Ward Avenue

Total Acreage: 63

Zoning: Professional/Light Industrial

RIDGECREST INDUSTRIAL PARK

Location: West Ridgecrest

Total Acreage: 81

Zoning: Light Industrial/Mixed

INYOKERN

INYOKERN AIRPORT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT

Location: Inyokern Blvd

Total Acreage: 40

Zoning: Light Industrial/Mixed



TRANSPORTATION

ANTELOPE VALLEY TRANSIT **AUTHORITY (AVTA)**

COVID 19...it impacted all of us individually and every business. For AVTA ridership plunged by 69%, through it all we still managed to complete our fleet conversion to all electric in mid March. We also crossed the 3 million and 4 million all electric mile benchmarks. We built a world class fitness center for our employees and we partnered with some great sponsors to host three massive grocery giveaways to families and individuals who were struggling.

We currently have our Main office/bus parking and maintenance facility, along with four transit centers and one more under construction.



KERN REGIONAL TRANSIT (KRT)

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

KernTransit.org/routes-andschedules/100bakersfield-lancaster



Zero Emissions, Electric Battery Powered AVTA Bus.





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 & Space Port, and the Stater Bros shopping center offer connections for powering electric vehicles.

GRANITE CONSTRUCTION

"With offices throughout the U.S., we're proud to provide emergency response within hours on an on-call basis to Federal, state and local clients. We provide immediate planning, preparation, deployment of labor and equipment, and mitigation measures to help protect the public and secure critical infrastructure and facilities as needed. Services include mud, waste and debris removal, structural repairs, hazardous material removal, drainage, pipeline and utility repairs."

As a diversified construction and construction materials company and a full-suite provider in the transportation, water infrastructure and mineral exploration markets, Granite delivers Infrastructure Solutions for public and private clients throughout the Americas.



TOP 2022 **M**ILESTONES

No. 1. In 2022, Lockheed Martin welcomed Finland, Germany and Switzerland to the F-35 program.

No. 2 Lockheed Martin had multiple hypersonic flight test successes in 2022.

No. 3. Lockheed Martin successfully accomplished multiple customer milestones in the classified space

No. 4. In 2022, Lockheed Martin welcomed Finland, **Germany and Switzerland** Lockheed Martin is a worldwide global security, aerospace and information technology company that is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture, integration and sustainment of advanced technology solutions. We solve complex challenges, advance scientific discovery and deliver innovative solutions to help our customers keep people safe.

At Lockheed Martin, our founding principles have remained the same and focused on enabling our customers' missions through an engaged team.

Our Vision: To be the global leader in supporting our customers' missions, strengthening security and advancing scientific discovery.

Our Values: Do What's Right. Respect Others. Perform With Excellence.

We've been proud to call California home for more than 100 years. With more than 12,000 employees in the state and over 4,000 employees locally, our team is committed to giving back and driving growth here.

Lockheed Martin has operations at Plant 10 (LM property), Plant 42, Edwards Air Force Base, Rosamond and Helendale.



NORTHROP GRUMMAN

Northrop Grumman is an innovative manned and unmanned air system provider with a proven track record of systems engineering, manufacturing excellence and reliability. The Palmdale site is a world-class facility and home to some of the world's most technologically advanced aircraft. Employing thousands of talented and diverse employees, it is uniquely suited for the development, prototyping, production, and testing of military aircraft systems, both manned and unmanned. The highly specialized manufacturing and engineering facility is located on the Government Owned/ Contractor Operated (GOCO) U.S. Air Force Plant 42.

Northrop Grumman has locations throughout the Antelope Valley including the Palmdale site, Edwards Air Force Base and Mojave.

For more information on careers at Northrop Grumman, visit ngc.com/careers.



MQ-25 Drone Tanker Testbed Emerges At Plant 42



B-21 Raider

"Northrop Grumman invests heavily in the Antelope Valley community. Our ASTAR Academy provides advanced, hands-on manufacturing training to both current and future employees. We are proud to have a workforce on the cutting edge of technology."

Bryan M. Mahoney, sector vice president, Operation and Palmdale Site Leader.



Northrop eyes future Palmdale production.

TOP 2022 **M**ILESTONES

No. 1 The world's first sixth-generation aircraft, the B-21 Raider, was unveiled in Palmdale on Dec. 2, 2022. The B-21 program ushers in a new era in technology with the Northrop Grumman team setting new standards in digital transformation, weapon systems integration and advanced manufacturing.

No. 2 The Northrop Grumman F-35 team produced and delivered the 1.000th center fuselage for the F-35 Lightning II program. With global interest in improved security measures increasing demand, the F-35 team's ingenuity, demonstrates the advanced manufacturing expertise required to meet our customers' needs. Reaching this significant high-rate production milestone furthers Northrop Grumman standing as a leader in military aircraft manufacturing.



TRATOLAUNCH

Stratolaunch is a hypersonic technology accelerator. The company engineers operationally realistic testing at Mach 5+. Its air-launched testbeds are reusable, cost-effective platforms that enable routine access to the hypersonic environment. Stratolaunch delivers flight data critical to validating system performance and achieving rapid technology deployment. The company and its customers drive innovations that are imperative to advancing national security.



TOP 2022 MILESTONES

No. 1 In 2022, the company increased operational tempo completing six test flights of the Roc mothership that will be used to air-launch Talon-A hypersonic testbeds. The last flight of the year achieved the first captive carry of the Talon-A separation test vehicle, in preparation for its drop test in early 2023.

No. 2 The company completed a variety of ground tests including its first engine hot fire at its test site at Mojave Air and Space Port and also secured multiple flight contracts with government customers including Air Force Research Laboratory, Naval Surface Warfare Center and Test Resource Management Center.

"We are excited to bring forth a critically needed testing capability to our customers in 2023 and support national defense initiatives in hypersonic research. We are proud to be part of the Antelope Valley business community and appreciate the strong partnership between business leaders and legislators who demonstrate understanding and advocacy on behalf of the aerospace industry's needs and challenges." — Stratolaunch



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AIR & SPACE PORT

Mojave Air & Space Port at Rutan Field has advanced the aviation and aerospace industry for the past 50 years. We offer our tenants the seclusion and the freedom to evolve as far as their imagination will take them. Our facility is a researching testing mecca platform that is unlike any other test facility campus in the world.

> "Yesterday's failures are tomorrow's successes." — Mojave Air & Space Port



TOP 2022 MILESTONES

No. 1 Scaled Composites, celebrated 40 years on Aug. 12, 2022.

No. 2 Tom Nault, first flight of Fiber Fighter Long EZ on April 1, 2022, built and first flight at Mojave Air and Space Port.



WATER

ANTELOPE VALLEY-EAST KERN WATER AGENCY (AVEK)

In the face of an unprecedented drought, the water providers within the greater Antelope Valley region worked together with the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency's (AVEK) to conserve imported water supplies. While AVEK continued to develop new strategies to adapt to climate change, its customers were also working hard to provide for the needs of their own customers. Although some much-needed rain has fallen within the Antelope Valley, with California Aqueduct levels appearing full at times, the 2022 water year was categorized as critically dry. AVEK's annual allocation from the state decreased to only 5 percent, providing only for the bare minimum for health and safety. As AVEK worked alongside its customers, AVEK also continued in the development of groundwater storage projects, building on these innovative partnerships as the agency moves forward. This expansion of groundwater storage capacity has enabled the Agency to store water it receives in wet years for future use by their customers during dry periods.

AVEK has seven locations throughout the Valley.

"The water industry is faced with even greater challenges than it has seen before. Extensive periods of drought and unpredictable rain and snowfall events threaten the availability and reliability of water supplies. Increasing the capacity to move and store water, reducing reliance on the State Water Project California Aqueduct and recharging local groundwater basins are actions that build resiliency, safeguard our precious water resources, and contribute to a sustainable future." -AVEK



TOP 2022 MILESTONES

No. 1 AVEK's largest water storage project, the High Desert Water Bank (HDWB), will improve reliability of State **Water Project California Aqueduct deliveries** and mitigate threats from climate change. Built in partnership with the Metropolitan Water District, the state's largest water supplier, this project has a storage capacity of 280,000 acre-feet. An acre-foot of water, or 326,000 gallons, is enough to supply one to two households for a year.

No. 2 AVEK progressed further improving its water distribution system for its customers with the South North Intertie Pipeline Project (SNIP). The SNIP Phase II project has received a \$6.1 million grant from the **State Department of** Water Resources. These funds are awarded to aid communities statewide for drought relief projects. When completed, the SNIP Phase II pipeline will interconnect the agency's **Westside Water Bank** with its largest plant, the Quartz Hill Water **Treatment Plant**, enabling full utilization of the recovered water coming from the banking site.



PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT

Nearly 30 years after initials plans to remove sediment from the Littlerock Reservoir were halted by the discovery of the federally protected arroyo toad, Palmdale Water District finally started the Littlerock Sediment Removal Project in 2022. About 64,000 cubic yards of dirt and debris were trucked out of the Littlerock Reservoir and moved to a local gravel pit. The 12-year project aims to restore the Littlerock Dam to its 1992 water



PWD construction crew don hazmat suits while working on a leak involving asbestos concrete pipes



Littlerock Dam 2022





storage capacity of 3,500 acre-feet. Currently, the capacity is at 2,800 acre-feet due to decades of sediment buildup that has now reached 1.7 cubic yards. The ongoing drought has made it critical to increase storage capacity for surface water.

PWD has two staffed locations and several unstaffed sites.

"Providing high-quality water to our current and future customers at a reasonable cost."

– Palmdale Water District

TOP 2022 MILESTONES

A major milestone is the drilling of Palmdale Water District's first water well in 31 years. Well 36, located north of 15th Street East at Rancho Vista Boulevard, is scheduled to be in operation by early 2023. It will produce between 1,000-1,300 acre-feet of water annually, or enough water for about 2,000 Palmdale families.

The advancement of plans for Pure Water AV, No. 2 a water augmentation program that will allow PWD to be more drought-proof, have local control of water and improve the groundwater quality and quantity is important. A demonstration facility showing the process of running recycled water through a four-step filtration system will be completed in early 2024 and open to the community.



Contractors start removing sediment at the Littlerock Reservoir



Palmdale Water District General Manager Dennis D. LaMoreaux, Engineering Manager Scott Rogers and Assistant GM Adam Ly pose at the groundbreaking of Well 36.

MINING & RENEWABLE ENERGY

RIO TINTO U.S. BORAX California Operations

The rich Mojave Desert is home to the largest open pit mine in California, owned and operated by Rio Tinto U.S. Borax. From early mining in Death Valley - to the discovery of boron and development of mine operations in Kern County, U.S. Borax has been a trusted community partner; a vital east Kern employer; and a global business operator for decades.

We supply one-third of the world's demand for refined borates, found in hundreds of products used every day, including your mobile cell phone, laptop computer and flat screen TV - without borates the screens would be too hot to touch. Borates are also found in plant fertilizers, laundry additives, and fire suppressants. The insulation in your home, the 2-by-4s in your walls, and wind turbine blades are also improved with borates.

We are proud to lead the world in the development of refined borates - and work hard to find better ways to provide the materials the world needs.

It's that business mindset that led us to explore low carbon opportunities in the cement industry – using decades-old mine waste; investigate renewable energy options for a 24-hour a day, seven-days-a-week operation; and work with regulatory agencies and industry partners to transition our on-site machinery fleet – to renewable diesel, by the year 2024. We believe we'll be the first in the mining industry to achieve this fuel-conversion goal.

We're also proud to report that, in 2022, we produced and shipped more than a million tons of refined borates, a record for our business.

We're excited to continue our work to provide the world with critical materials - mined and processed in Kern County.

Rio Tinto U.S. Borax, essential for life, critical for the future.





RioTinto

borax.com/careers



OTHER MINING ASSETS IN THE REGION

CalPortland Cement - Mojave Calportland.com/locations/california/mojave-plant

Granite Construction - Littlerock, Palmdale, Arvin & Inyokern

GraniteConstruction.com

Searles Valley Minerals - Trona SVMinerals.com



SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON

SoCalGas has been delivering clean, affordable and reliable energy to our customers for more than 150 years. Today it is the largest natural gas utility in North America, and the energy the company delivers is increasingly renewable, as it strives to be the cleanest, safest and most innovative energy company in America. SoCalGas proudly serves 22 million Californians in more than 220 communities from Fresno County to the Mexican border, including the Antelope Valley.



RENEWABLE ENERGY

Throughout the Antelope Valley, you will find evidence of the region's increasing importance to renewable energy production in California.

Not much more than a decade ago, only about 12 percent of California's electricity came from renewable sources — wind, solar, geothermal, biomass and small hydroelectric facilities.

But renewable energy reached 33 percent of the state's electrical production in 2020 - and will continue to grow.

In December 2021, Los Angeles County announced that nearly all residents and businesses in unincorporated areas of the county now receive half of their energy from renewable sources with a goal of achieving 100 percent clean power. The county projects that much of the renewable energy will come from wind and solar farms in California.

In addition to large-scale commercial solar projects in both Los Angeles and Kern County areas of the Antelope Valley, there are more than 5,000 wind turbines in the Tehachapi-Mojave wind corridor with an important transmission line carrying the power to Southern California.



CITY OF LANCASTER -HYDROGEN CITY

Lancaster is committed to becoming the first city to fully embrace hydrogen power. The city has partnered with SGH2 Energy to launch a hydrogen production facility that can produce up to 3.8 million kilograms of hydrogen from 42,000 tons of waste annually.

The City is also working with Hitachi Zosen Inova, New Planet Energy and Waste Management to bring similar waste-to-energy technology solutions to Lancaster and is also supporting Heliogen in demonstrating its novel solar concentration technology to produce hydrogen at its Lancaster facility. The locally produced hydrogen has various applications in industry, infrastructure and transportation, including supplying an expanding network of hydrogen refueling stations across California.

On a global scale, in 2021 a sister city relationship was formed between Lancaster and Namie, Japan, to unite a shared dedication to promoting hydrogen. Namie Town was greatly affected by the 2011 Daiichi nuclear tragedy and has since recovered to become a symbol of green energy with one of the largest green hydrogen plants in the world. With these partners and initiatives, Lancaster is at the forefront of advancing hydrogen innovation to secure a future of clean energy.



LANCASTER CHOICE ENERGY (LCE)

LCE is the locally run power program created by the City of Lancaster. In an opportunity to deploy more zero-emission electricity sources, the City is supporting the development of advanced microgrids under a grant awarded by the California Energy Commission. The Lancaster Advanced Energy Community project features a 114-unit, affordable housing, residential microgrid called HNR-1. LCE will provide distributed energy resources to this community, where buildings will have solar energy production, battery storage, and distribution all on-site as a self-contained power grid. The project will serve as a blueprint for the economic and technical feasibility of Zero Net Emissions building design and the new standard for affordable housing in California.



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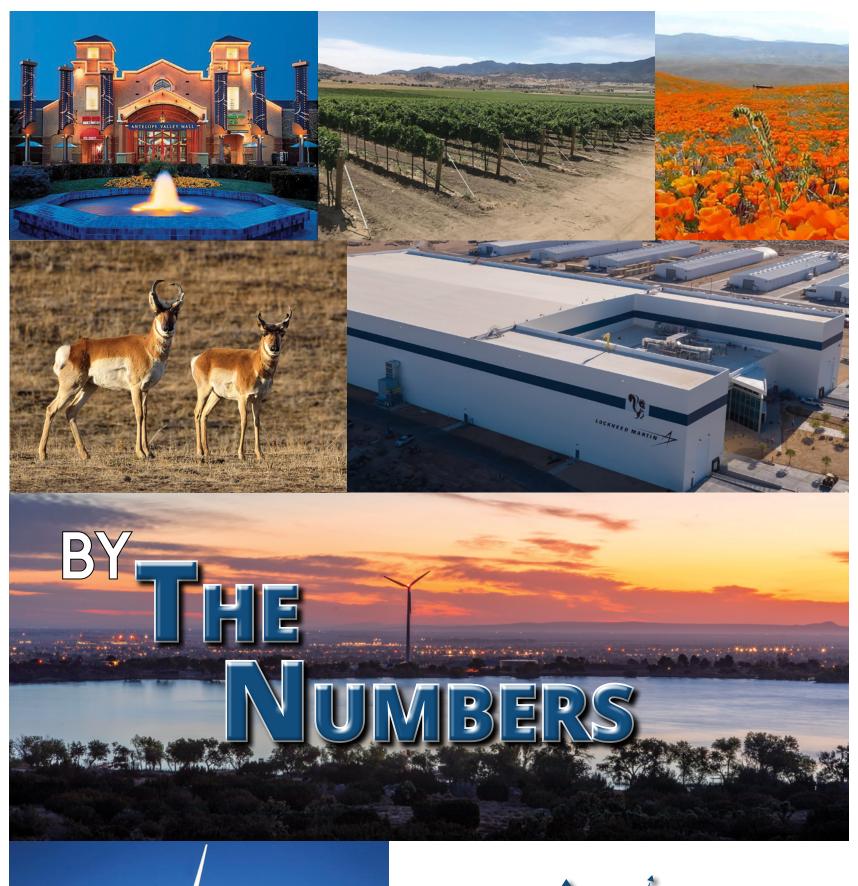
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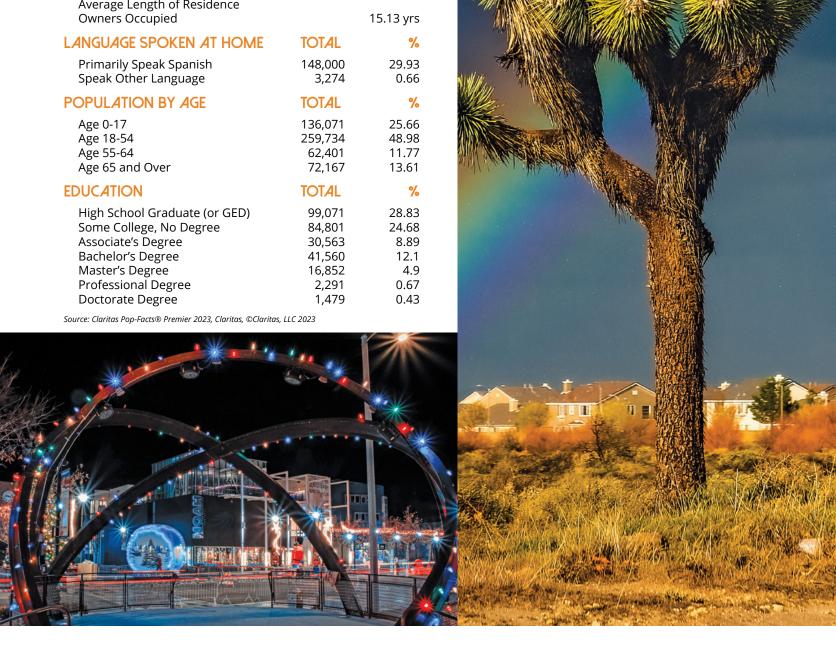






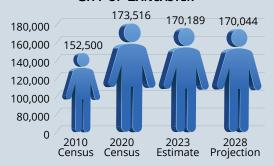
REGIONAL PROFILE

REGIONAL POPULATION		TOTAL
2010 Census 2020 Census 2023 Estimate 2028 Projection		496,653 534,636 530,373 532,138
POPULATION BY RACE		NUMBER
White Black/African American American Indian/Alaska Native Asian Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Other Two or More Races Hispanic/Latino Not Hispanic/Latino		195,245 74,427 10,308 19,862 1,082 142,468 86,981 265,331 265,042
MEDIAN AGE		34.44
REGIONAL HOUSING		
2023 Est. Average Household Income Housing Units Owner-Occupied 2023 Est. Average Household Size Average Length of Residence Owners Occupied		\$91,273.76 167,120 62.32% 3.1 15.13 yrs
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME	TOTAL	%
Primarily Speak Spanish Speak Other Language	148,000 3,274	29.93 0.66
POPULATION BY AGE	TOTAL	%
Age 0-17 Age 18-54 Age 55-64 Age 65 and Over	136,071 259,734 62,401 72,167	25.66 48.98 11.77 13.61
EDUCATION	TOTAL	%
High School Graduate (or GED) Some College, No Degree Associate's Degree Bachelor's Degree Master's Degree	99,071 84,801 30,563 41,560 16,852	28.83 24.68 8.89 12.1 4.9

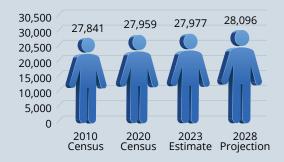


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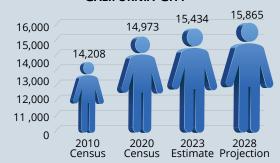
CITY OF LANCASTER



CITY OF RIDGECREST



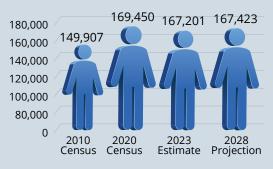
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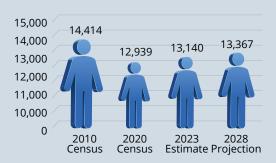


DETAIL

CITY OF PALMDALE



CITY OF TEHACHAPI



5-YEAR POPULATION FORECAST

	2023 Est.	2028 Est.
City of Lancaster 93534, 93535, 93536	197,654	197,041
City of Palmdale 93550, 93551, 93552	178,560	178,556
*Unincorporated- Los A	ngeles Count	ty
93510, 93532, 93543, 93544 93553, 93563, 93591	33,721	33,135
, , , ,		
City of California City 93505	14,972	15,414
Greater Tehachapi 93531, 93561	35,448	36,192
City of Ridgecrest	33,024	33,196
*Unincorporated- Kern	County	
93501, 93516, 93519, 93523, 93524, 93527, 93554,	36,523	38,114
Greater Antelope Val	ley Region	

529,902

* Areas Defined by Zip Codes Source: Claritas Pop-Facts® Premier 2023, Claritas, ©Claritas, LLC 2023

531,648

POPULATION

BY ZIP CODE

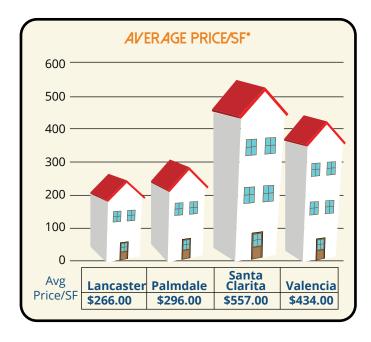
<u>Zip</u>	<u>City</u>	2020 <u>Census</u>	2023 <u>Est.</u>	2028 <u>Proj.</u>	<u>Zip</u>	<u>City</u>	2020 <u>Census</u>	2023 <u>Est.</u>	2028 <u>Proj.</u>
93501	Mojave	5,993	5,956	5,926	93510	Acton	7,367	7,178	7,055
93505	California City	14,667	14,972	15,414	93532	Lake Hughes	2,409	2,320	2,256
93516	Boron	2,144	2,219	2,341	93534	Lancaster	44,183	43,367	42,886
93519	Cantil	52	52	51	93535	Lancaster	81,867	80,968	81,153
93523	Edwards	3,401	3,678	4,077	93536	Lancaster	74,341	73,319	73,002
93524	Edwards	142	157	178	93543	Littlerock	14,160	13,870	13,698
93527	Inyokern	2,352	2,308	2,265	93544	Llano	1,206	1,142	1,094
93531	Keene	459	471	490	93550	Palmdale	82,378	80,945	80,521
93554	Randsburg	5	5	5	93551	Palmdale	56,146	55,502	55,744
93555	Ridgecrest	32,947	33,024	33,196	93552	Palmdale	42,559	42,113	42,291
93560	Rosamond	21,491	22,148	23,271	93553	Pearblossom	1,782	1,718	1,672
93561	Greater Tehachapi	34,890	35,448	36,192	93563	Valyermo	235	221	209
	(includes 95331)				93591	Lake L.A. (Palmdale)	7,460	7,272	7,151
Source:	Claritas Pop-Facts® Premier 2023	3, Claritas, ©Clari	tas, LLC 2023		Ov	erall Total	534,636	530,373	532,138

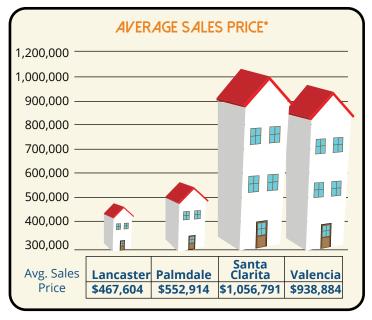


REAL ESTATE

BY AREA

Area	Numl	er of U	nits Sold	Average	Price P	er Sq Foot	Av	verage Sales	Price
	2021	2022	Change	2021	2022	Change	2021	2022	Change
Cal City / Mojave	472	415	- 13%	\$160	\$184	13%	\$253,705	\$296,923	14% (a)
Ridgecrest		967			\$157			\$250,701	
Rosamond Area	372	320	-15%	\$220	\$244	10%	\$365,271	\$393,586	7% (a)
Tehachapi	982	818	-20%	\$207	\$311	33%	\$385648	\$432,533	11% (b)
Antelope Area	50	38	-32%	\$254	\$248	- 2%	\$537,059	\$500,477	- 7% (a)
Lake LA	150	136	-10%	\$233	\$258	10%	\$316,139	\$357,612	12% (a)
East Lancaster	651	538	-21%	\$236	\$264	11%	\$394,174	\$424,525	7% (a)
West Lancaster	1,541	1,208	-28%	\$247	\$267	7%	\$430,339	\$486,790	12% (a)
East Palmdale	800	586	-37%	\$255	\$324	21%	\$407,724	\$446,724	9% (a)
West Palmdale	817	628	-30%	\$251	\$269	7%	\$574,338	\$594,009	3% (a)
Littlerock	152	116	-31%	\$265	\$279	5%	\$390,886	\$440,027	11% (a)
Leona Valley	96	70	-37%	\$293	\$311	6%	\$502,071	\$496,891	- 1% (a)





^{*}For Calendar Year - 2022

⁽a) = Stats from Greater Antelope Valley Association of Realtors MLS (b) = Stats from Southland Regional MLS

⁽c) = Stats from Ridgecrest Association of Realtors MLS

LANCASTER CITY STATS

City of Lancaster: 44933 Fern Avenue, Lancaster, CA 93534, (661) 723-6128 CityofLancasterCA.org



Average Household Income. 93534	. \$65,730
93536	\$116,703
Median Housing	
Housing Units (Estimate)	52,345
Persons Per Household (avg.).	3
Homeowners (avg.)	
Education (Age 25+)	
No High Cohool Diploma	0.040/

Education (Age 25+)	
No High School Diploma 9.8	1%
High School Graduate 30.09	
Some College, No Degree 23.9	
Associate's Degree 9.3	1%
Bachelor's Degree12.12	
Master's Degree5.72	
Professional School Degree 0.68	
Doctoral Degree	
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Source: Claritas Pop-Facts® Premier 2023, Claritas, ©Claritas, LLC 2023. ** Included zip codes are: 93534,93535, & 93536



Workforce (Age 16+ by Occupation)
Architect/Engineer
Arts/Entertainment/Sports 1.61%
Building Grounds Maint3.97%
Business Financial Ops3.20%
Community Social Services 2.54%
Computer/Mathematical1.73%
Construction/Extraction7.32%
Edu/Training/Library6.83%
Farm/Fish/Forestry0.42%
Food Prep/Serving3.85%
Health Practitioner/Tech 6.77%
Healthcare Support5.54%
Maintenance Repair3.88%
Legal0.42%
Life/Phys/Soc. Sociology0.34%
Management
Office/Admin Support 10.79%
Production6.20%
Protective Services
Sales/Related9.27%
Personal Care/Service 3.20%

Transportation/Moving 8.10%

PALMDALE CITY STATS

City of Palmdale: 38300 Sierra Hwy., Suite A, Palmdale, CA 93550, (661) 267-5100 CityofPalmdale.org

2023 Population (Combined Zip Codes)**178,560 2020 Census Population 169,450 2028 Projection
Population CharacteristicsMedian Age
Population By Origin Not Hispanic or Latino
Population By OriginWhite Alone24.49%Black or African American13.48%American Indian/Alaska Native2.27%Asian Alone4.17%Native Hawaiian/Other Pac. Islander0.29%Other37.64%Two or More Races17.75%

Average Household Income \$92,917 93550
Median Housing.\$376,796Housing Units (estimate)47,612Persons Per Household (avg.)4Homeowners (avg.).63.71%
Education (Age 25+)No High School Diploma12.85%High School Graduate29.02%Some College, No Degree23.59%Associate's Degree7.12%Bachelor's Degree10.86%Master's Degree3.64%Professional School Degree0.55%Doctoral Degree0.39%

Palmdale

Workforce (Age 16+ by Occupation)
Architect/Engineer

Architect/Engineer 2.16%
Arts/Entertain/Sports 1.39%
Building Grounds Maint 4.93%
Business Financial Ops 3.22%
Community Social Services 1.79%
Computer/Mathematical 1.27%
Construction/Extraction 8.27%
Edu/Training/Library 4.71%
Farm/Fish/Forestry0.64%
Food Prep/Serving 5.24%
Health Practitioner/Tech 4.67%
Healthcare Support 6.16%
Maintenance Repair 4.14%
Legal
Life/Phys/Soc Sociology 0.52%
Management 6.68%
Office/Admin Support 10.52%
Production 6.77%
Protective Services 3.29%
Sales/Related 10.76%
Personal Care/Service 3.00%
Transportation/Moving 9.64%

SOURCE: Claritas Pop-Facts® Premier 2023, Claritas, ©Claritas, LLC 2023. **Included zip codes are: 93550,93551,93552



CITY STATS CALIFORNIA CITY

California City: 2100 Hacienda Blvd, California City, CA 93505, (760) 373-96610 CaliforniaCity-CA.gov/CC

2023 Population 15,434 2020 Census Population 14,973 2028 Projection 15,865
Population Characteristics
Median Age
Spanish Speaking
Population By Origin
Not Hispanic or Latino 60.41%
Hispanic or Latino

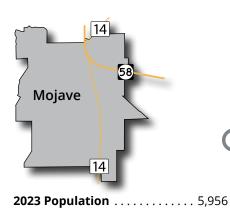
Native Hawaiian/Other Pac. Islander .0.25% Other22.86% Two or More Races.....13.50%

Average Household Inco	ome. \$73,579
93505	
Median Housing	\$203,359
Housing Units (estimate)	4,920
Persons Per Household (a	avg.) 3
Homeowners (avg.)	56.67
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Education (Age 25+)	

Persons Per Household (avg.) 3 Homeowners (avg.) 56.67
Education (Age 25+)
No High School Diploma13.98%
High School Graduate34.64%
Some College, No Degree 26.09%
Associate's Degree 6.14%
Bachelor's Degree7.16%
Master's Degree3.89%
Professional School Degree0.55%
Doctoral Degree

Workforce (Age 16+ by Occupation)
Architect/Engineer
Arts/Entertain/Sports1.02%
Building Grounds Maint6.38%
Business Financial Ops0.84%
Community Social Services 1.55%
Computer/Mathematical4.57%
Construction/Extraction6.85%
Edu/Training/Library2.90%
Farm/Fish/Forestry2.93%
Food Prep/Serving
Health Practitioner/Tech 3.17%
Healthcare Support5.25%
Maintenance Repair4.03%
Legal
Life/Phys/Soc Sociology0.09%
Management11.22%
Office/Admin Support 13.48%
Production5.70%
Protective Services
Sales/Related7.45%
Personal Care/Service 5.95%
Transportation/Moving 8.07%

SOURCE: Claritas Pop-Facts® Premier 2023, Claritas, ©Claritas, LLC 2023.



COMMUNITY STATS



2020 Census Population 5,993 2028 Projection 5,926
Population CharacteristicsMedian Age
Population By Origin Not Hispanic or Latino
Population By Origin White Alone

22201	55,505
Median Housing	. \$169,612
Housing Units (estimate)	1,664
Persons Per Household (avg	;.) 3
Homeowners (avg.)	41.05%
Education (Age 25+)	
No High School Diploma	13.27%
High School Graduate	40.43%
Some College, No Degree	27.85%
Associate's Degree	3.12%
Bachelor's Degree	3.15%
Master's Degree	

Professional School Degree0.04%

Average Household Income. . \$57,928

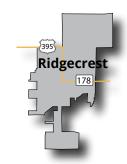
Workforce (Age 16+ by Occupation)		
Architect/Engineer		
Arts/Entertain/Sports0.18%		
Building Grounds Maint5.15%		
Business Financial Ops2.88%		
Community Social Services 0.37%		
Computer/Mathematical0.37%		
Construction/Extraction8.40%		
Edu/Training/Library3.99%		
Farm/Fish/Forestry0.12%		
Food Prep/Serving 4.78%		
Health Practitioner/Tech 0.74%		
Healthcare Support5.15%		
Maintenance Repair7.79%		
Legal		
Life/Phys/Soc Sociology0.49%		
Management1.16%		
Office/Admin Support 13.24%		
Production5.21%		
Protective Services		
Sales/Related6.62%		
Personal Care/Service		

SOURCE: Claritas Pop-Facts® Premier 2023, Claritas, ©Claritas, LLC 2023.

Transportation/Moving 25.26%

RIDGECREST

CITY STATS



City of Ridgecrest: 100 W. California Ave., Ridgecrest, CA 93555, (760) 499-5000 Ridgecrest-CA.gov

2022 Population (combined Zip codes)**
Population CharacteristicsMedian Age
Population By OriginNot Hispanic or Latino
Population By Origin White Alone

Average Household Income. \$93,529 93555
Median Housing\$242,538Housing Units (estimate)11,358Persons Per Household (avg.)2Homeowners (avg.).60.58%
Education (Age 25+)No High School Diploma.6.57%High School Graduate.20.58%Some College, No Degree.24.91%Associate's Degree.14.12%Bachelor's Degree.21.14%Master's Degree.8.71%

Professional School Degree0.52% Doctoral Degree 0.90%

Source: Claritas Pop-Facts® Premier 2023, Claritas, ©Claritas, LLC 2023. ** Zip Code of Ridgecrest is: 93555, 93556

ROSAMOND COMMUNITY STATS



2023 Population	Average Household Income \$99,966	Workforce (Age 16+ by Occupation)
(93560 Zip Code)	93560	Architect/Engineer 2.43%
2020 Census Population 23,510		Arts/Entertain/Sports1.38%
2028 Projection 23,844	Median Housing\$429,467	Building Grounds Maint 4.43%
,	Housing Units (estimate) 8,784	Business Financial Ops 7.57%
Population Characteristics	Persons Per Household (avg.)3	Community Social Services 2.44%
Median Age	Homeowners (avg.) 57.55%	Computer/Mathematical 4.63%
Spanish Speaking	110111COW11C13 (avg.)	Construction/Extraction 5.07%
Spariisti Speaking	Education (Age 25+)	Edu/Training/Library 5.44%
Population By Origin	No High School Diploma4.03%	Farm/Fish/Forestry0.07%
Not Hispanic or Latino 74.71%	High School Graduate	Food Prep/Serving 6.14%
Hispanic or Latino	Some College, No Degree 28.35%	Health Practitioner/Tech 5.10%
	Associate's Degree	Healthcare Support
Population By Origin	Bachelor's Degree22.21%	Maintenance Repair4.32%
White Alone	Master's Degree 5.64%	Legal
Black or African American 9.23%	Professional School Degree 0.89%	Life/Phys/Soc Sociology0.78%
American Indian/Alaska Native .1.17%	Doctoral Degree 0.61%	Management6.77%
Asian Alone		Office/Admin Support 16.59%
Native Hawaiian/Other Pac. Islander . 0.99%		Production2.69%
Other10.62%		Protective Services 1.70%
Two or More Races15.48%		Sales/Related8.72%
		Personal Care/Service 3.37%

Computer/Mathematical4.63%
Construction/Extraction5.07%
Edu/Training/Library 5.44%
Farm/Fish/Forestry0.07%
Food Prep/Serving 6.14%
Health Practitioner/Tech 5.10%
Healthcare Support
Maintenance Repair4.32%
Legal1.17%
Life/Phys/Soc Sociology0.78%
Management6.77%
Office/Admin Support 16.59%
Production
Protective Services 1.70%
Sales/Related8.72%

Transportation/Moving 6.06%

Source: Claritas Pop-Facts® Premier 2023, Claritas, ©Claritas, LLC 2023. ** Zip Code of Ridgecrest is: 93555, 93556



CITY STATS

TEHACHAPI

Tehachapi: City of Tehachapi, 115 S. Robinson St., Tehachapi, CA 93561 (661) 822-2200 **LiveUpTehachapi.com**

2023 Population (Combined Zip Codes)**
Population CharacteristicsMedian Age33.70Spanish Speaking23.28%
Population By Origin Not Hispanic or Latino 60.79% Hispanic or Latino 39.21%
Population By Origin White Alone

Average Household Income. \$85,96 93561\$98,538
Median Housing.\$303,799Housing Units (estimate).3,586Person Per Household (avg.).66.019Homeowners (avg.)66.019
Education (Age 25+)
Some College, No Degree
Professional School Degree

Workforce (Age 16+ by Occupation)
Architect/Engineer 6.47%
Arts/Entertain/Sports 1.31%
Building Gronds Maint 3.97%
Business Financial Ops 3.97%
Community Social Services 0.42%
Computer/Mathematical 1.60%
Construction/Extaction 7.87%
Edu/Training/Library 8.39%
Farm/Fish/Forestry 0.38%
Food Prep/Serving 8.64%
Health Practitioner/Tech 4.64%
Healthcare Support 2.88%
Maintenance Repair 7.11%
Legal 0.48%
Life/Phys/Soc Sociology 1.76%
Management 6.56%
Office/Admin Support 8.00%
Production
Protective Services 10.15%
Sales/Related
Personal Care/Service 2.78%
Transportation/Moving 4.96%

Source: Claritas Pop-Facts® Premier 2023, Claritas, ©Claritas, LLC 2023. **Included zip codes are: 93531, 93561



EMPLOYMENT

BY SECTOR

LOS ANGELES COUNTY	Count	Employees for	
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction Utilities Construction Manufacturing Wholesale Trade Transportation and Warehousing Information Real Estate and Rental and Leasing Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services Management of Companies and Enterprises Administrative, Support, Waste Mgmt Remediation Service Educational Services Healthcare and Social Assistance Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation. Retail Trade Finance and Insurance Accommodation and Food Services Other Services (except Public Administration)	. 296 . 294 294 24,037 17,243 17,074 9,724 12,251 25,221 56,964 2,188 2,188 17,094 10,561 122,175 10,468 61,265 31,440 32,795 49,086 .		
Public Administration			

Geographies
93510 (Acton, CA); 93532 (Lake Hughes, CA); 93534 (Lancaster, CA); 93535 (Lancaster, CA); 93536 (Lancaster, CA); 93543 (Littlerock, CA); 93544 (Llano, CA); 93550 (Palmdale, CA); 93551 (Palmdale, CA); 93552 (Palmdale, CA); 93553 (Parblossom, CA); 93563 (Valyermo, CA); 93591 (Palmdale, CA). DataSource: Claritas Pop-Facts® Premier 2023; ©Claritas, LLC 2023.

KERN COUNTY	Count	Employees for this location	
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	468 .	9,943 .	21
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	110 .	3,312.	30
Utilities	101 .	1,137 .	11
Construction	1,999 .	17,829 .	9
Manufacturing	854 .	11,923 .	15
Wholesale Trade	989 .	15,193 .	15
Transportation and Warehousing	1,108 .	8,562 .	
Information			
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing			
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services			
Management of Companies and Enterprises	55 .	216.	4
Administrative, Support, Waste Mgmt Remediation Services	. 1,018 .	8,216.	8
Educational Services	696 .	25,326 .	36
Healthcare and Social Assistance	7,155 .	49,430 .	7
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	511 .	4,983 .	10
Retail Trade	4,055 .		10
Finance and Insurance			
Accommodation and Food Services	2,274 .	26,803 .	12
Other Services (except Public Administration)			
Public Administration	662 .		49
Grand Total	. 34,567 .	308,245	9

Geographies
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CONSUMER BUYING POWER ** 2023 - TRANSPORTATION

	2023 Aggregate Expenditure Estimate	%	2023 Annual Avg. per Consumer Unit	2028 Annual Avg. Per Consumer Unit	Compound Ann. Growth Rate (%)
Total Specified Consumer Expenditures	11,221,483,835	100.00	66,987.13		
TRANSPORTATION					
Transportation	2,034,407,722	100.00	12,144.19	13,656.68	2.48
VEHICLE PURCHASES					
Vehicle purchases net outlay			5,140.08		
Other Vehicles			83.60		
Used motorcycles			45.08		
Cats and trucks, new	367,152,618	18.05	2,191.73	2,376.38	1.73
New cars			850.37 1,341.37	1,006.38	
Cars and trucks, used			1,341.37		
Used cars	197,438,364	9.71	1,178.62	1,318.13	2.37
Used trucks	282,454,447	13.88	1,686.12	1,817.85	1.62
GASOLINE & MOTOR OIL	206.046.740	40.54	2.262.11	2.706.71	2.40
Gasoline and Motor Oil	· ·		2,369.41		
Diesel Fuel			41.72	•	
Gasoline on out-of-town trips			49.49		
Motor Oil			19.38		
OTHER VEHICLE EXPENSES		0.00			3.33
Other Vehicle Expenses	665.407.866	32.71	3,972.18	4.500.61	2.63
Vehicle Finance Charges		2.13			1.01
Automobile finance charges			82.80		
Truck Finance Charges			162.62		
Other vehicle finance charges			11.06		
Maintenance and repairs	185,352,523		1,106.47		
Vehicle products and cleaning services Gas tank repair and misc. Auto repair, servicing			7.35		
Coolant, transmission fluid and other additives .	1,704,811		10.18		
Tires - purchased, replaced, installed			183.30		
Parts, equipment, and accessories			175.07		
Vehicle or engine repairs					
Motor tune-up			34.61		
Lube, oil change, and oil filters			136.19		
Shock absorber replacement			9.76		
Repair tires and other repair work	10,818,332		64.58		
Auto repair service policy			20.77		
Vehicle Rental, Leases, Licenses, and other charg				•	
Leased and rented vehicles	99,793,126	4.91	595.72	697.37	3.31
Rented vehicles			105.26		
Auto/truck/motorcycle rental out-of-town trips .			31.42		
Leased	83,160,238		490.46		
Car/truck lease payments			439.32		
Extra and termination fees for car/truck lease			8.39		
Trade in allowance for car/truck lease	3,063,037	0.15	18.28	22.72	4.54
Drivers' license			27.73		
Vehicle Inspection			27.82		
Parking fees in home city, excluding residence .	12,929,897	0.64	77.19	88.72	2.93
Parking fees, out-of-town trips			5.60		
Tolls or electric toll passes			75.46		
Towing charges	3,833,694	0.19	22.89	29.33	5.20
Automobile service clubs and gaps services	10,362,891	0.51	61.86	63.59	0.66

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2023 Aggregate Expenditure Estimate	2023 Annual 2028 Annual Compound % Avg. per Avg. Per Ann. Growth Consumer Unit Consumer Unit Rate (%)
PUBLIC & OTHER TRANSPORTATION	
Public and Other Transportation	5.46
Airline fares	3.15
Intercity bus fares	0.10 12.34 14.44 3.29
Intra City mass transit fares	0.87 105.55 4.09
Local trans. On out-of-town trips	0.08 10.18 11.93 3.33
Taxi fares and limousine services on trips	0.05 5.98 3.33
Intercity train fares	0.17 21.07 20.120.83
Ship fares	0.27 33.37 37.43 2.43
School bus	0.01 1.61 1.363.19
Taxi fares and limousine services	0.74 90.00 99.19 2.07
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