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## Giving the gift of life



Chris Blake gets ready to donate blood while nurse Shae Stanley finishes up the preparations to start the blood donation on Sept. 24. Blake stated that he donates blood because his grandmother had to get various blood transfusions, so he knows how valuable blood is to people. The next Vitalant Blood Drive is scheduled for Jan. 6 with the date is subject to change. Go to vitalant.org for the most current blood drive dates and locations.

SAUL A. FLORES/News West

## County developing Halloween guidance

News West

**SAN BERNARDINO** — Halloween activities often involve mingling with neighbors, sharing treats, and visiting pumpkin patches. Some of those activities may not be safe — nor even possible — during the COVID-19 pandemic.

San Bernardino County health experts urge residents and businesses to exercise an abundance of caution while engaging in Halloween activities, and encourage residents to opt for safer alternatives. Other holidays have led to spikes in sickness and death, as

well as increased restrictions by the state. The county has developed guidance for operators of pumpkin patches. Outdoor sales of pumpkins are allowed, and food, beverages, games, mazes, and other activities can be offered under certain conditions. Pumpkin patch operators should contact the county with questions before they open.

The state currently does not allow amusement park rides of any kind or other high-touch/close contact attractions such as haunted houses, animal rides, petting zoos, slides, bounce houses, and ball pits. For more information, visit the county's website at [www.sbcounty.gov](http://www.sbcounty.gov).

## POLICE REPORTS

**NEEDLES** — Between Sept. 14 and Sept. 20, deputies from the San Bernardino County Sheriff Department Needles' Colorado River Station, conducted multiple investigations that led to arrests throughout the city. The department is committed to a proactive approach suppressing crime. Anyone with information regarding these or other investigations is urged to contact the CRS at 760-325-8200, or anonymously at 800-76-CRIME (27463), or via Internet at [www.wetip.com](http://www.wetip.com). Except where noted, all were booked into the CRS jail.

• Sept. 15: 1:18 p.m. — Deputies received a call for service regarding a domestic disturbance on the 2000 block of Luna Vista Street. A 20-year-old woman from Mohave Valley reportedly threw a large rock at the victim during the disturbance and was arrested for felony assault with a deadly weapon. She was booked into the CRS with a \$50,000 bail and is awaiting a court hearing.

• Sept. 16: 10:53 a.m. — Deputies contacted a 25-year-old Needles man on the 900 block of Coronado Street for a follow up to a criminal investigation. After deputies conducted the investigation, the man was arrested for oral copulation of a person under the age of 18 and unlawful sex with a minor. The man was booked into the CRS with a \$50,000 bail and was awaiting a court hearing.

• Sept. 17: 7:56 a.m. — Deputies conducted a traffic stop at the intersection of J Street and Third Street. The driver was identified as a 29-year-old Needles man and after a records check, he was found to have a misdemeanor warrant for resisting, delaying or obstructing a public officer in the commission of their duties. He was booked into the CRS jail with a \$25,000 bail and was awaiting a court hearing.

• Sept. 17: 9:12 a.m. — Deputies conducted a probation check on the 1000 block of Lillyhill. While at the residence, deputies contacted the adult probationer, a 43-year-old Needles man. He disobeyed numerous orders to comply and was arrested. As he was being taken into custody, he resisted with force and was arrested for felony deterring or preventing a public officer in the performance of their duties using threats or violence. During the arrest, two juveniles were also at the location interfered with deputies attempts to take the man into custody. Both juveniles were subsequently arrested for obstructing, delaying or resisting any public officer in the performance of their duties. The man was booked into the CRS jail with a \$50,000 bail and is currently pending a court proceeding. Both juveniles were booked into the High Desert Juvenile Detention Center with no bail and were awaiting a court hearing.

• Sept. 18: 8:45 a.m. — Deputies conducted a traffic stop near J Street and the I-40 Freeway. Deputies contacted the driver who identified himself as a 26-year-old Needles man and after a records check, he was found to have a felony warrant for violation of post-release community supervision. Deputies arrested the man for the felony warrant and he was booked into the High Desert Detention Center, is being held with no bail and was awaiting a court hearing.

• Sept. 19: 12:13 a.m. — Deputies responded to a call for service on the 2000 block of Peru Street regarding a male in the reporter's back yard. While at the scene, deputies contacted a 23-year-old Needles man and after a records check, he was found to have a misdemeanor warrant for battery. The man was arrested for the misdemeanor warrant and booked into the CRS with a \$60,000 bail and was awaiting a court hearing.

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### Observe Fire Prevention Week

**NEWS WEST**  
**NEEDLES** — The San Bernardino County Fire Department is teaming up with the National Fire Protection Association for fire prevention week through Oct. 10.

The campaign for this year is "Serve Up Fire Safety in the Kitchen" which works to educate everyone about simple but important actions they can take to keep themselves and those around them safe.

According to the NFPA, cooking is the leading cause of home fires and home fire injuries in the United States. Almost half (44%) of reported home fires started in the kitchen. Two-thirds (66%) of home cooking fires started with the ignition of food or other cooking materials.

The SBCFD wants to share safety tips to keep you from having a cooking fire.

- Never leave cooking food unattended. Stay in the kitchen while you are frying, grilling or broiling. If you must leave, even for a short time, turn off the stove.

- If you are simmering, baking or boiling food, check it regularly, remain in the home while food is cooking and use a timer to remind you that you're cooking.

- You have to be alert when cooking. You won't be alert if you are sleepy, have taken medicine or drugs, or consumed alcohol that makes you drowsy.

- Always keep an oven mitt and pan lid nearby when you're cooking. If a small grease fire starts, slide the lid over the pan to smother the flame. Turn off the burner and leave the pan covered until it is completely cool.

- Have a kid-free zone of at least three feet around the stove and areas where hot food or drink is prepared or carried.

The SBCFD is hosting a series of events in support of this year's fire prevention week campaign, "Serve Up Fire Safety in the Kitchen", including a virtual fire station tour for students and teachers that will focus on fire safety in the kitchen. Also, students will learn about various fire service career opportunities, including interviews with firefighters, 911 dispatchers, mechanics, fire prevention officers and Hazmat emergency responders.

### ADOPT



Quesadilla and Sparta are 2-year-old domestic medium-hair brothers and would like to be adopted together. They are not fixed and they are looking for their forever home. Visit the shelter behind the aquatic center off J Street between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. The adoption fee is \$31. Always check the shelter for missing pets. Call 760-326-4952.

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## City makes amendments to five-year CIP

By SAUL A. FLORES

NEWS WEST

**NEEDLES** — The City of Needles has made several amendments to its Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan for the fiscal years 2019-2024.

- **Project Year 1** — Crack fill and road slurry Mustang Lane, Holiday Way and Easy Street for \$116,975. The project was expanded to include asphalt patching along with Crack Fill and slurry application on the mentioned streets and addi-

tional streets of Victory Drive, Safari Drive, Riverview Lane, Cherry Street and Desert Street were added to the scope.

- **Project Year 2** — Crack fill and road slurry Front Street (Broadway to Railroad) cost of \$261,193. The project was removed under Measure I as it was completed under the First Year Street Improvements project.

- **Project Year 3** — Crack and fill road slurry Third Street (J Street to B Street) cost of \$180,027. The project is removed

under Measure I as it was completed under the First Year Street Improvements project.

There were no changes to projects in year four and year five.

The total spent on the Measure I project was \$217,978 from the available Measure I funds.

The Needles City Council approved the amended Measure I Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan on Sept. 22, 6-0-1 with Councilor Louise Evans abstaining.

## Firefighters remain busy with state's wildfires

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**SACRAMENTO** — More than 18,600 firefighters continue to work towards containment on 23 major wildfires and one extended attack wildfire across the state.

On Sunday, firefighters also responded to 26 new wildfires, bringing full containment to

all but one, the Lambert Fire in Amador County.

Since the beginning of the year, there have been more than 8,300 wildfires that have burned well over 4 million acres in California. To date, the total number of fatalities statewide is 31 and more than 8,687 structures

have been destroyed.

Temperatures will remain warm across the state and humidity recover remains slow, continuing the increased fire danger. More seasonal temperatures are expected by the end of the week, with a chance of some

precipitation in the most northern part of the state. Locally gusty winds continue over the next few days on the west edge of the Sacramento Valley, the North and East Bay, and Southern California mountain ranges. California historically

experiences some of the most devastating wildfires in the months of September and October.

Do not let your guard down.

To learn more ways to prevent sparking a wildfire visit [www.ReddyForWildfire.org](http://www.ReddyForWildfire.org).

### CALIFORNIA LOTTERY

#### Mega Millions

Previous seven draws

October 2	9, 38, 47, 49, 68	Mega 25
September 29	14, 39, 43, 44, 67	Mega 19
September 25	20, 36, 37, 43, 67	Mega 16
September 22	36, 43, 44, 55, 68	Mega 12
September 18	26, 29, 41, 52, 64	Mega 11
September 15	25, 28, 38, 59, 62	Mega 22
September 11	3, 15, 42, 48, 56	Mega 13

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