### **APPENDIX B: eCCR Certification Form (Suggested Format)**

### **Consumer Confidence Report Certification Form**

(To be submitted with a copy of the CCR)

Water System Name:	City of Cerritos	
Water System Number:	1910019	

The water system named above hereby certifies that its Consumer Confidence Report was distributed on <u>6/27/24</u> (*date*) to customers (and appropriate notices of availability have been given). Further, the system certifies that the information contained in the report is correct and consistent with the compliance monitoring data previously submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water (DDW).

Certified by:

Name: Jose Arroyo-Gutierrez	Title: Water Superintendent
Signature: Jose Arroyo	Date: 8/30/24
Phone number: (562) 407-2673	blank

To summarize report delivery used and good-faith efforts taken, please complete this page by checking all items that apply and fill-in where appropriate:

- CCR was distributed by mail or other direct delivery methods (attach description of other direct delivery methods used).
- CCR was distributed using electronic delivery methods described in the Guidance for Electronic Delivery of the Consumer Confidence Report (water systems utilizing electronic delivery methods must complete the second page).
- Good faith" efforts were used to reach non-bill paying consumers. Those efforts included the following methods:
  - Posting the CCR at the following URL: <u>www.cerritos.us/ccr2023.pdf</u>
  - Mailing the CCR to postal patrons within the service area (attach zip codes used)
  - Advertising the availability of the CCR in news media (attach copy of press release)
  - Publication of the CCR in a local newspaper of general circulation (attach a copy of the published notice, including name of newspaper and date published)
  - Posted the CCR in public places (attach a list of locations)

	Delivery of multiple copies of CCR to single-billed addresses serving several
	persons, such as apartments, businesses, and schools
	Delivery to community organizations (attach a list of organizations)
	Publication of the CCR in the electronic city newsletter or electronic community
	newsletter or listserv (attach a copy of the article or notice)
	Electronic announcement of CCR availability via social media outlets (attach
	list of social media outlets utilized)
	Other (attach a list of other methods used)
For s	systems serving at least 100,000 persons: Posted CCR on a publicly-accessible
inter	net site at the following URL: www
For <sub>f</sub>	privately-owned utilities: Delivered the CCR to the California Public Utilities
Con	nmission

### **Consumer Confidence Report Electronic Delivery Certification**

Water systems utilizing electronic distribution methods for CCR delivery must complete this page by checking all items that apply and fill-in where appropriate.

- Water system mailed a notification that the CCR is available and provides a direct URL to the CCR on a publicly available website where it can be viewed (attach a copy of the mailed CCR notification). URL: <u>www.cerritos.us/ccr2023.pdf</u>
- Water system emailed a notification that the CCR is available and provides a direct URL to the CCR on a publicly available site on the Internet where it can be viewed (attach a copy of the emailed CCR notification). URL: www.
- Water system emailed the CCR as an electronic file email attachment.
- Water system emailed the CCR text and tables inserted or embedded into the body of an email, not as an attachment (attach a copy of the emailed CCR).
- Requires prior DDW review and approval. Water system utilized other electronic delivery method that meets the direct delivery requirement.

Provide a brief description of the water system's electronic delivery procedures and include how the water system ensures delivery to customers unable to receive electronic delivery.



This form is provided as a convenience and may be used to meet the certification requirement of section 64483(c) of the California Code of Regulations.

# Cerritos News

# A sizzling September at the CCPA



George Thorogood and The Destroyers perform at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts on Tuesday, September 3.

Things are heating up with a sizzling September lineup at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA).

Kicking off the month is a pre-Season performance by George Thorogood and The Destroyers "Bad All Over the World – 50 Years of Rock" at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 3. Hailed as "one of the most iconic bands in rock history" by the Rapid City Journal, George Thorogood and The Destroyers continues to shake things up, getting audiences worldwide jamming to hits like "Get a Haircut;" "I Drink Alone;" "Who Do You Love?"; and the rocking anthem "Bad to the Bone." Tickets start at \$65.

Female forces En Vogue and Exposé take over Cerritos with a night of hits on Saturday, September 7. En Vogue dominated the music charts with "Hold On," "Free Your Mind," "Never Gonna Get It," "Don't Let Go" and "Whatta Man." En Vogue earned a Grammy nod for the album "Funky Divas." Named one of the top girl groups of the era by "Billboard," Exposé rocked the nightclubs and dance charts with the No. One hit "Seasons Change" along with "I'll Never Get Over You Getting Over Me," "Come Go With Me," "Point of No Return" and "Let Me Be the One." Tickets start at \$63 for the 8 p.m. show.

Journey back to the lands of Florin and Guilder in "The Princess Bride: An Inconceivable Evening With Cary Elwes" on Sunday, September 8 at 3 p.m. It's an exciting afternoon guaranteed to delight fans of the iconic film, featuring a screening of the fantasy-adventure comedy. Elwes, who plays the heroic Westley in the cult classic, pulls back the curtain for a behindthe-scenes look at life on and off the set, moderating a discussion on classic scenes and revealing neverbefore-shared secrets and tales behind the making of the Oscar-nominated classic. Tickets start at \$34 and VIP packages with special perks are available. It's an electrifying night of electronic music in this Director's Pick show from Information Society and Strangelove: The Depeche Mode Experience. Jam to the monster electro bass and beats with Information Society's dance hits "What's on Your Mind (Pure Energy)," "Running" and "Walking Away." Opening the night is Los Angeles-based Strangelove, which



dives into The Depeche Mode Experience to deliver the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame band's iconic tunes, including "New Life," "Just Can't Get Enough" and "People Are People." Don't miss it on Friday, September 13 at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$54.

It's a blazing night of Rock on the Cerritos stage! Starship featuring Mickey Thomas delivers its all-time hits, such as "It's Not Over Til It's Over" and the No. One songs "We Built This City," "Sara" and "Nothing's Gonna Stop Us Now." English Rock band Foghat brings down the house with its smash hits "Slow Ride," "Drivin' Wheel" and "Third Time Lucky (First Time I Was a Fool)." The band's latest album, "Sonic Mojo," debuted at No. One on the "Billboard" Blues chart. Get tickets now, starting at \$54, for the 8 p.m. Sunday, September 15 show.

For almost five decades, Three Dog Night has reigned the music world with the hits "Mama Told Me (Not to Come)," "Joy to the World," "Black and White" and "Shambala." Impeccable harmonies and exciting arrangements – like those in "One Man Band" and "The Family of Man" – define the Vocal Group Hall of Famer's signature sound, maintaining the group's longstanding musical dominance. The band returns to Cerritos at 8 p.m. on Friday, September 27 with special guest McKinley James, who opens the show with a unique sound powered by groove and guitar. Ticket prices start at \$54. Rock to the best of Led Zeppelin when Get the Led Out makes its way back onto the Cerritos stage! In a high-energy tribute to its favorite band, GTLO performs Led Zeppelin's songs - such as "Whole Lotta Love," "Black Dog" and the "Battle of Evermore" – "note for note, the way it was recorded," raves "Philadelphia Magazine." The show kicks off at 8 p.m. on Saturday, September 28. Tickets start at \$40. Get tickets at cerritoscenter.com or by calling the Box Office at (562) 916-8500.

# City facilities observe Labor Day

Cerritos City Hall, the City Clerk/Treasurer's Office, Cerritos Library, the Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park, the Community Gymnasiums at Cerritos and Whitney high schools and the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts Box Office will be closed on Monday, September 2 in observance of Labor Day.

Cerritos Park East, Heritage Park and Liberty Park will be open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and the Cerritos Sports Complex will be open from 2 to 8 p.m. The Cerritos Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. The Cerritos Olympic Swim and Fitness Center will be open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

There will be no street sweeping and trash pick-up on Labor Day. Schedules will be delayed by one day for the remainder of the week through Saturday. The COW and Dial-A-Ride transit services will not operate on Labor Day.

# City presents 2024 Autumn Moon Festival

The community is invited to an Autumn Moon Festival presented by the City of Cerritos from 5:30 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, September 17. The event takes place at Heritage Park, located at 18600 Bloomfield Avenue.

Free lantern kits will be available while supplies last. Participants can also bring their own lanterns to decorate. The lanterns will be released in the water under the harvest moon. Gourmet food trucks will offer food for purchase. Bring chairs and blankets for seating. For more information, contact the Recreation Services Division at (562) 916-1254. ■

### Health & Wellness Fair for seniors

The Cerritos Senior Center's annual Health & Wellness Fair is scheduled for Friday, October 4 at the Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. The "Live Happy and Flourish" fair starts at 8:30 a.m. for Cerritos residents and 9 a.m. for non-residents.

The annual fair connects seniors to resources encouraging a healthy, well-rounded approach to aging. Seniors age 50 years and older are eligible to undergo free health screenings. A photo I.D. with a current address is required to register and participate.

The event ends at noon and the Senior Center will be closed immediately following the event. Senior Center activities and classes are canceled that day. The Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park is located at 12340 South Street in Cerritos. For more information, call (562) 916-8550. ■



Scan the QR code to watch weekly update videos about the City of Cerritos.

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# City Council Recap

City Council meeting minutes and agendas are available to view on the new Cerritos website at cerritos.gov/agendas.

# New City of Cerritos website launched

The City of Cerritos is proud to announce a newly designed City of Cerritos website launched on Tuesday, August 27.

The new City website features an updated design, with intuitive navigation and enhanced search functionality. The website promotes increased availability of online services such as bill payment, permit applications, service requests and more.

The City website is now optimized for mobile devices and will continue to be improved based upon feedback from the community.

Visit cerritos.gov to view the new design and features of the City's website.

For more information, call the Communications Division at (562) 916-1320. ■

# Cerritos Water Quality Report available

The City's Annual Consumer Confidence (Water Quality) Report is available on the City's website at cerritos.gov/water. The report indicates that Cerritos water meets all primary state and federal standards.

State and federal laws require printed or electronic distribution of the water-quality information to everyone served by the City's water utility. The report describes the City's stringent water tests, which are conducted more frequently than required by the State Health Department. The Consumer Confidence Report provides detailed test results and explains the City's water supply, which flows to customers through a system of wells, reservoirs and pipes.

For more information about the Water Quality Report, call (562) 407-2674.

### Free document shredding offered on September 7

The City of Cerritos is offering a paper shredding and compost event from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, September 7. The event will be held in the parking lot of the Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park located at 12340 South Street. Cerritos residents may bring up to two banker-sized (12" wide, 15" long and 9.5" deep) boxes of paper documents to be shredded at no charge. Staples and paper clips may be left on documents, but paperwork should not contain any binder clips or three-ring binders. Documents will be shredded on-site at the program. This is a secure way to dispose of paperwork that contains private information.

# Tips to help seniors beat the heat

The heat of the summer months can lead to heat stroke, sun poisoning, dehydration and other heatrelated illnesses. People age 65 years or older are especially prone to heat-related health problems. They are more likely to have a chronic medical condition that changes normal body responses to heat. They are also more likely to take prescription medicines that affect the body's ability to control its temperature or sweat.

Seniors and their caretakers should heed the following tips:

• Stay in air-conditioned buildings as much as possible. Do not rely on the fan as a main cooling source when it's exceptionally hot outside. The Cerritos Library and Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park offer seniors air-conditioned spaces, drinking fountains and seating during regular hours of operation.

- Drink more water than usual; don't wait until you're thirsty to drink.
- Do not use the oven or stove to cook as they will make the house hotter.
- Wear loose, lightweight, light-colored clothing.
- Take cool showers or baths to cool down.
- Do not engage in strenuous activities, and get plenty of rest.
- Check on a friend or neighbor and have someone do the same for you.
- Seek immediate medical care if you or someone you know has symptoms of heat-related illness, such as muscle cramps, headaches, nausea or vomiting.

# Make your home earthquake-ready

Californians live in earthquake country and while tremors can strike at any time without warning, there are ways to make your home safer.

- Strap down heavy objects: Secure television sets, computers and stereos. Use buckles and safety straps to keep oversized objects from moving during the shaking.
- Anchor and brace: Tall items (such as bookcases, entertainment consoles, file cabinets, dressers and large appliances like refrigerators) can tip over. Use flexible fasteners to anchor them to the studs in the wall. Use a metal bracing kit to strap the water heater to wall studs. Use a brace that is secured to the ceiling joist for ceiling fans, chandeliers and light fixtures to keep them from falling in a quake.
- Install child safety latches: Cabinet doors and drawers can swing vigorously during intense shaking, causing injuries and destruction. Installing latches on cabinet doors and drawers prevents contents like glasses and dishes from flying out and causing injuries and damage.
- Hire an inspector: If your home was built before 1992, when more earthquake-resistance standards were introduced, hire a professional to inspect your home. Even homes constructed after 1992 should be checked to ensure that structural integrity is maintained.
- Rearrange furniture: Position beds near interior walls and away from windows. Store heavy items on low shelves to prevent them from falling during a tremblor and causing injuries or property damage. Don't hang heavy items (such as mirrors, plants and framed artwork and pictures) above beds, couches,

chairs or in places where people are likely to be sitting or sleeping. Use closed hooks or adhesive tabs to hang pictures, art or mirrors on walls.

- Secure knickknacks: Quickly, safely and affordably secure decorative items with adhesives such as putty and Velcro.
- Store hazardous chemicals properly: Hazardous household chemicals (bleach, gasoline and fertilizer) should be stored far away from furnaces and stoves so they can't tip over and catch fire during a quake.
- Clear a path: Keep all forms of exits clear and easily accessible.
- Add flexible connections: Make sure appliances have flexible gas or electrical connections so they won't break and cause other hazards like gas leakage or fires during an earthquake. Know how to turn off your utilities, including gas, water and electricity.
- Check the chimney: Have your chimney inspected by a licensed civil engineer for stability and safety — especially in homes built before 1960.
- Assess the foundation: Have a licensed civil engineer ensure that your home is bolted to the foundation; this is particularly important if your home was built before 1935. If your home is built on a raised foundation, make sure that it has shear plywood walls in the crawlspace, rather than the older-style cripple walls.
- Consider insurance: Consider buying earthquake insurance since most homeowner's policies do not cover earthquake damage.

# CCPA teams up with Ticketmaster

Each participating resident also will have the option to obtain free fresh compost. Residents must bring their own rigid container, no larger than 35 gallons, to hold the compost. Staff will be on-site to assist residents in obtaining compost material.

For more information, call the Community Participation Office at (562) 865-8101. ■ The Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA) is partnering with Ticketmaster, the largest ticketing service provider in the world.

The collaboration with the Beverly Hills-based company is expected to simplify and complement the CCPA ticket-purchasing experience for patrons. With its user-friendly platform, Ticketmaster offers greater flexibility and faster and convenient access, allowing customers to buy and access digital tickets anywhere and at any time online. Ticketmaster's digital tickets are more secure than traditional paper tickets and their all-in pricing complies with State laws. The CCPA-Ticketmaster partnership is expected to improve reach and enhance visibility for the theater and the City while minimizing ticket brokers and third-party reselling to ensure that patrons buy tickets at face value. The CCPA is fervently committed to continuing its

first-class customer service through this transition. For patrons who prefer to buy their tickets in person, the CCPA Box Office will still be open Tuesday to Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. The Box Office is also open two hours prior to performance and until half an hour past curtain on show days.

For more details, contact the Box Office at (562) 916-8500. ■

# September Library News

# REGISTRATION

In order to register, patrons must be in the City's RACER registration database. For more information, please visit the City of Cerritos website at cerritos.us.

### **CLASSES/RACER ONLINE REGISTRATION TIPS**

To check the availability or to register for classes, please visit the Cerritos website at cerritos.us and look for the Classes/RACER link or scan the QR code below.



Scan the QR code to access the RACER Registration page.

You will not receive confirmation by mail for classes registered online.

Please print a receipt at the conclusion of your transaction and bring it with you to the first day of the event or class. For additional information, please call the Library Reservation Desk at (562) 916-1388. Computers at the Cerritos Library may be used to access RACER.

### **ONLINE REGISTRATION**

### cerritos.gov

Cerritos Resident online registration for all programs listed begins Sun., Sept. 1 at 11 a.m. Non-Resident online registration for all programs listed begins Sun., Sept. 8 at 11 a.m.

**PHONE REGISTRATION** 

### Call (562) 916-1388

Cerritos Resident phone registration for all programs listed begins Mon., Sept. 2 at 11 a.m. Non-Resident phone registration for all programs listed begins Sun., Sept. 8 at 11 a.m.

### WALK-IN REGISTRATION

Cerritos Resident walk-in registration for all programs listed begins Sun., Sept. 1 at 11 a.m. Non-Resident walk-in registration for all programs listed begins Sun., Sept. 8 at 11 a.m.

# The following Library programs require advance registration:

For more information call (562) 916-1388, unless otherwise noted. Seating is limited for all programs.

### **STORYTIMES**

Cerritos Library's 30-45 minute storytimes

### STICKER MAKING CLASS

Children will learn how to create 5D diamond stickers that can be used to decorate backpacks, water bottles, notebooks or any other surface. Space is limited to 20 participants.

13404	Tues., Sept. 10	4-5 p.m.	
	Ages 8-12	Skyline Room	

AI ADVENTURE: UNLEASH THE FUTURE WITH

**CERRITOS CODER SCHOOL** 

Join us for an engaging exploration of artificial intelligence and its foundational principles. Participants will delve into key concepts, including machine learning, robotics and neural networks, acquiring a thorough understanding of AI's impact on our society. Space is limited to 22 participants.

13406	Mon., Sept. 16	3:30-4:30 p.m.
	Ages 8-12	Hi-Tech Lab

### STAY & PLAY PROGRAM

Join us as we move to music, play with toys and make new friends! Space is limited to 15 participants.

13407	Fri., Sept. 20	11 a.mnoon
	Ages 2-5	Little Theater

### BACK TO SCHOOL TOTES FOR TWEENS & TEENS

Tweens and teens will create a back-to-school themed canvas tote bag that is perfect for carrying library books! Materials will be provided. Space is limited to 12 participants.

13408	Fri., Sept. 20	3:30-4:30 p.m.
	Ages 11-17	Art Studio

### **RAINBOW SCRATCH ART**

Children can use their creativity to create rainbow designs on ocean animals and coral reef scenes. Space is limited to 25 participants.

13409	Tues., Sept. 24	4-5 p.m.
	Ages 7-12	Skyline Room A

### SHOEBOX PIÑATA CREATION WORKSHOP

Join Juan Farris for an engaging demonstration of constructing piñatas using shoeboxes. All materials will be provided. Space is limited to 25 participants.

13410	Tues., Oct. 1	6-8 p.m.
	Ages 13-Adult	Skyline Room
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### AUTUMN PERLER BEADS FOR TWEENS & TEENS

Participants will create an autumn themed art piece using Perler beads. Space is limited to 10. 13411 Fri., Oct. 4 3:30-4:30 p.m. Ages 10-15 Art Studio

### **XFYD INTRODUCTION TO PYTHON FOR KIDS**

XFYD is a student-led organization that aims to promote a space for the exchange of knowledge, inspiration and freedom of expression in the community. XFYD's five-week Python course offers engaging and practical lessons designed for elementary students with a basic understanding of the Python programming language. Space is limited to 18 participants.

> Fri., Oct. 4-Nov. 1 6 p.m. Ages 8-12 Hi-Tech Lab

#### **PENNYROYAL PLAYERS:** FROM BATTLES TO BALLOTS

The Pennyroyal Players pay musical tribute to the 27 "Radical Women" who dared to fight for freedom and the right to vote. The story begins in 1591 in England and ends in Tennessee in 1920 with the final ratification of the 19th Amendment to the US Constitution, providing all women the right to vote. In this fast-paced musical portrayal of the battles these women fought, you will learn of their struggles, tragedies and victories every step of the way.

Mon., Sept. 9 6 p.m.

All Ages Skyline Room

### ARTS AND CRAFTS FOR KIDS

A free hands-on fall craft will be held for ages 2-12. This craft will take approximately 10 to 15 minutes.

Fri., Sept. 13 11 a.m.-12 p.m. & 5-6 p.m. Ages 2-12 Art Studio

### **MEET THE AUTHOR: RAFAEL AGUSTIN**

Writer and producer Rafael Agustin discusses his memoir, "Illegally Yours," a heartwarming, comical look at how a struggling Ecuadorian immigrant family bonded together to navigate Rafa's school life, his parents' work lives and their shared secret life as undocumented Americans. The book talk will be followed by a Q & A.

Mon., Sept. 16 7 p.m.

All Ages Skyline Room

### **CEVICHE & SALSA MAKING WORKSHOP**

Join us for a workshop led by Chef Vina, where we will learn to prepare two delicious homemade ceviches and salsas.

Tues., Sept. 17 6 p.m.

18 and over Skyline Room

### **BOOK CLUB FOR ADULTS**

The Book Club for Adults will meet for a book discussion. Participants will discuss the book "The Loved One" by Evelyn Waugh. For more information, call (562) 916-1342.

Wed., Sept. 18 11 a.m.-noon Board Room

### **MEET THE AUTHOR: LUIS I. REYES**

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with author/TV personality Luis I. Reyes. Reyes will discuss his latest book "Viva Hollywood!" which celebrates the legacy of Latin and Hispanic artists in the Hollywood film industry. Reyes presents the achievements of Latin film artists from the present day (Jennifer Lopez, Pedro Pascal, Salma Hayek, Edward James Olmos, Jenna Ortega and Gina Rodriguez) back to the founding of the film industry in Hollywood. The book talk will be followed by a Q & A.

Thurs., Sept. 19 6 p.m.

All Ages

Skyline Room

### A HISTORY OF LA LOTERÍA

In this presentation, Dr. Gloria Arjona explores the origins of La Lotería and how it is traditionally played, incorporating music and offering a taste of the traditional gameplay. Known as "The Mexican Bingo," La Lotería is a tradition passed on from generation to generation for many Mexican and Central American descendants. Its eye-catching and provocative images are frequently recreated by artists worldwide, and scholarly research on this topic is quickly growing. Mon., Sept. 23 6 p.m. All Ages

incorporating stories and audience participation will be held in the Little Theater. Space is limited to 50 participants.

### Thursdays at 11 a.m. for ages 5 and under

13399	Thurs., Sept. 12
13400	Thurs., Sept. 19
13401	Thurs., Sept. 26
13402	Thurs., Oct. 3

#### Second Saturday of the month at 11:15 a.m. for ages 5 and under Sat., Sept. 14 13403

The following Library programs do not require advance registration:

#### ANIME FILM: "SPIRITED AWAY"

13412

Join us for a screening of "Spirited Away," directed by Hayao Miyazaki. During her family's move to the suburbs, a sullen 10-year-old girl wanders into a world ruled by gods, witches and spirits, and where humans are changed into beasts. Popular Japanese snacks will be provided, while supplies last. This movie is rated PG and has a running time of 125 minutes.

Wed., Sept. 4 3:45 p.m. All Ages

Skyline Room

### Skyline Room

#### **GAMETIME FOR TWEENS & TEENS**

Join us for an afternoon of open play, featuring Super Smash Bros. Ultimate, Nickelodeon Kart Racer 3, Sonic Superstars and various board games. All games will be used on a first-come, first-served basis.

Wed., Sept. 25 4-5 p.m.

Teen Studio Ages 12-17

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#### ANCIENT HOMELANDS: FAMILY PRESENTATION **ON INDIGENOUS MUSIC OF NORTH, CENTRAL** AND SOUTH AMERICA

Join us in an interactive musical experience that celebrates the indigenous music of North, Central and South America. Martin Espino, a scholar with expertise in this field, will lead this presentation. Participants will have the opportunity to join in singing simple songs and playing a variety of unique native percussion instruments that will be provided.

Wed., Sept. 25 6 p.m.

All Ages Skyline Room

### NIGHT AT THE MOVIES: "THE GRADUATE" (1967)

Theo Siegel will discuss the making of "The Graduate," starring Anne Bancroft, Dustin Hoffman and Katharine Ross, followed by a screening of the film. This film is rated is PG and has a running time of 106 minutes.

Thurs., Sept. 26 6 p.m.

Skyline Room Ages 18 & Over

### **MEET CHILDREN'S AUTHOR SUSIE JARAMILLO**

Susie Jaramillo is the co-founder and Chief Creative Officer of Encantos Media Studios. She is also the visionary behind Encantos' inaugural brand, Canticos, which offers a bilingual baby and toddler experience inspired by Latino nursery rhymes. As a Venezuelan-American mother of two bilingual and bicultural children, Jaramillo developed Canticos to share her cultural heritage and language with her family. In her multifaceted role as author, artist and executive producer, Jaramillo oversees the multimedia brand, which encompasses books, digital applications and animated videos.

Fri., Sept. 27 11 a.m.

All Ages

Little Theater

#### FAMILY LOTERÍA NIGHT

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with an evening of Lotería! Lotería is a traditional Latin American game of chance, similar to bingo, but using images on a deck of cards instead of plain numbers. Learn how to play this Mexican bingo-style game with the whole family. Space is limited to 35 participants.

Wed., Oct. 2 6-7 p.m. All Ages

Skyline Room

### **BALLET FOLKLORICO DANCE PERFORMANCE**

Join us as students from the award-winning Grupo Folklórico Sabor de México from Torrance perform various traditional dances and showcase regalia and music.

Thurs., Oct. 3 6 p.m. All Ages

Skyline Room

#### **CITY ARTWORK MAQUETTE** INTERACTIVE EXHIBITION

To celebrate October Arts Month, Cerritos Library will showcase an interactive exhibition of the sculpture maquettes (models) from the City's Art in Public Places collection. Guests are encouraged to touch the maquettes, as volunteers describe the pieces. Participants will also have an opportunity to create artwork by sculpting with air-dry clay. Everyone is welcome to attend this one-day event, with special efforts made to be inclusive for visually impaired individuals.

2-4 p.m. Sat., Oct. 5

> All Ages Skyline Room

### CHILDREN'S ART & SHORT STORY CONTEST

The Friends of the Cerritos Library will conduct the 21st Annual Art Contest for children in grades K-6 and a Short Story Contest for children in grades 3-6. "What Would You Do If You Were the Principal for a Day?" is the theme for the short story contest and "Design Your Dream or Fantasy Elementary School" is

the theme for the art contest. Participants must have a valid Cerritos Library card. The deadline to turn in all entries is Friday, October 11 before 7 p.m. Draw or paint a picture of "Design Your Dream or Fantasy Elementary School." Artwork must be no larger than 12" x 18" and unmounted. Only one art entry is allowed per child. Short stories about "What Would You Do If You Were the Principal for a Day?" must be original, using no more than 500 words and preferably typed on white letter-sized paper. Only one short story entry is allowed per child. Application forms are available at the Children's Help Desk and on the Library's website. Winners will receive gift cards from Target at a special reception on Thursday, December 5 at 7 pm. For more information, contact Librarian Curita Tinker at (562) 916-1343.

# Library Displays

### WRITERS' ALLEY

Comic book writers are master storytellers. Their inventive creativity and vivid power with a pen have captivated generations of readers and inspired dozens of films and television series. The Cerritos Library is delighted to exhibit works by some of the most influential and groundbreaking comic book writers. These works from comic book history will be on display throughout the library in the main lobby, local history room, and the multimedia area from September 11 to October 31. This exhibition features many pieces from Cerritos resident Allen Montgomery's collection.

### Follow traffic safety tips as children return to school

Thousands of local children returned to school in August. The following school safety tips are provided by the National Safe Routes to School Program and the City of Cerritos Community Safety Division.

- Slow down and obey all traffic laws and speed limits. This may be the most important safety tip to observe around schools.
- · Comply with school drop-off and pick-up procedures. Many schools in Cerritos have student valet or parking lot transition programs and should be used if possible.
- Stop for a school bus when red overhead lights are flashing or a stop sign has been activated on the street side of the bus. Violating this law may result in a very expensive citation.
- Watch for children crossing streets near schools or at nearby corners. Pedestrians have the rightof-way when in marked or unmarked crosswalks. (Any intersection has an unmarked crosswalk unless a posted sign says otherwise.)
- Watch for children on sidewalks when backing out or entering a driveway. • Pay attention to the directions of crossing guards, and take the time to thank them occasionally. These guards put themselves at risk every day to protect the kids.

# City ordinance regulates use of leaf blowers

Under City ordinance, the use of gas-operated leaf blowers in any residential area and in commercial areas within 400 feet of any residential area in the City is restricted to the hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays and legal holidays. The City ordinance regulating these hours was designed to protect residents from excessive noise caused by such equipment. Leaf blowers should not direct debris onto adjacent

parcels or lots. Such debris should be removed and disposed of properly to prevent dispersion by wind or other similar means. Piles of leaves left in the gutters can clog storm drains and cause flooding. In addition, leaves in storm drains decompose and grow bacteria that can travel into the ocean.

· Avoid double parking and stopping in crosswalks or in people's driveways to let children out of the car. Do not allow children to cross the street mid-block, and teach them to use crosswalks. Cerritos Sheriff's deputies have been directed to issue citations for these violations.

# Short-term rentals banned in Cerritos

Cerritos residential property owners are reminded that the City of Cerritos prohibits short-term rentals. Short-term rentals refer to leasing or renting a single-family residential dwelling unit (in whole or in part) for 31 days or fewer. The most common

types of short-term rentals are vacation rentals and home-sharing rentals, which are both prohibited. The Sheraton Cerritos Hotel located in the commercially zoned Cerritos Towne Center is not considered a shortterm rental under the ordinance.

The ban strives to protect Cerritos residential neighborhoods from the noise, nuisances, added traffic and other adverse factors that can arise with short-term rentals. Appropriate enforcement measures will be taken against those who violate the City ordinance.

# Community input sought for On-Demand Transportation Community Survey

At the direction of the Cerritos City Council, the City of Cerritos will be implementing a new community transportation program. As a part of this process, the City is seeking community input to ensure the new and improved on-demand transportation services meet the needs of the community. To participate, residents are asked to fill out the On-Demand Transportation Community Survey located at cerritostransit.com. Hard copies of the survey are available upon request by calling (562) 916-1201.

For more information, please call the Community Development Department at (562) 916-1201. ■



Scan the QR code to access the On-Demand Transportation Community Survey.

# Join Neighborhood Watch

Residents are encouraged to join the Neighborhood Watch in Cerritos, a joint effort by community members and the Cerritos Sheriff's Station/Community Safety Center to fight crime and protect property. One of the oldest crime-prevention programs, it serves as the eyes and ears of the Sheriff's Department and has proven instrumental in keeping communities safe.

Contact the Community Safety Division at (562) 916-1266 to see if a Neighborhood Watch group has been formed in your neighborhood. If there is an established group, you will be provided with the name and phone number of the Watch Captain.

If there is no active group yet in your area, the Community Safety Division will help you and your neighbors start one. Ideal Neighborhood Watch groups are typically small – usually 15 to 20 households – to simplify communication among participants. A designated block captain will be responsible for acting as the liaison between a neighborhood and the Cerritos Sheriff's Station/Community Safety Center.

While the Community Safety Division and Sheriff's Department will assist in many ways, the success of Neighborhood Watch depends largely on resident involvement. Participants will receive Neighborhood Watch signs to post, alerting potential criminals that others are watching out for your home. Members of the watch group monitor their neighborhoods, communicate regularly with deputies and meet with neighbors routinely to stay current on crime trends and information. If a residential crime pattern is identified in the area, deputies will notify the group of what to look out for and suggest prevention strategies.

Join the City's Neighborhood Watch program at safercerritos.com.

# Take preventative steps against mosquitoes

As temperatures continue to rise, vector control experts stress the need for the public to take preventative steps against mosquitoes.

Mosquitoes can transmit diseases such as West Nile virus, which can cause debilitating illness and death to humans as well as birds, horses and other wildlife. Twenty percent of people infected with West Nile virus will exhibit flu-like symptoms, and one in 150 people infected will require hospitalization. There is currently no cure or vaccine for the virus.

The Greater Los Angeles Vector Control District (GLACVCD), a local government and public health agency dedicated to reducing populations of public health vectors and preventing human infection associated with mosquito-transmitted diseases, has issued the following tips to stay safe:

- Eliminate standing water around the home. It takes as little as five days for mosquito eggs to hatch into biting adults;
- Many children play sports or are outdoors from late afternoon to the evening hours, when mosquitoes are most active. Anyone outside during these hours should wear long-sleeved shirts and pants and use insect repellent containing DEET, Picaridin and oil of lemon eucalyptus;
- To help West Nile Virus surveillance and control efforts, report dead birds at westnile.ca.gov. For more information, call GLACVCD at
- (562) 944-9656 or visit glacvcd.org.

# **Business Spotlight**

# Better Beverages, Inc.

Better Beverages, Inc. is now part of the City's Business Spotlight Program, which embraces companies that foster community pride, provide jobs and contribute to the local economy.

Better Beverages, Inc. opened its main facility in Cerritos in 1970, serving more than 3,000 customers in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino counties, Ventura and San Diego counties. Since 1946, the company has met the carbonic gas and fountain syrup needs of Southern California's restaurant and hospitality community. This familyowned business specializing in beverage gas delivery started as a one-man operation and now includes two distribution facilities that employs 40 people.

Better Beverages, Inc. provides sales, installation, leasing and general services for commercial beverage equipment, including CO2 systems, bulk CO2 systems, CO2 alarms, nitrogen generators, soda fountains, juice systems and frozen beverage systems. Delivery service is available for a full range of bag-in-box soda, juice, mix syrups and frozen beverage syrups.

Located at 10624 Midway Avenue in Cerritos, Better Beverages, Inc. can be reached at (800) 344-5219 or betbev.com.

### Heritage Park play island to be renovated

The Cerritos City Council has awarded a \$189,560 contract to David Volz Design (DVD) for architectural design and engineering services for Heritage Park play island renovations.

The Costa Mesa-based park-planning firm DVD designed the Heritage Park play island in 2002. For more information, call the Public Works Engineering Division at (562) 916-1219. ■

# **TV3 Schedule: September**

### **City Council and Commission Meetings**

*Cerritos City Council Meeting* 7 p.m. on Thursday, September 12 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Friday, September 13

### **Program Highlights**

*Mayor's Weekly 60* 11 a.m. on Sunday, September 1; 1 p.m. on Sunday, September 8; 6 p.m. on

and 10 a.m. on Monday, September 16

7 p.m. on Thursday, September 26 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Friday, September 27 and 10 a.m. on Monday, September 30

### Fine Arts and Historical Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Thursday, September 19 (Live), rebroadcasts: 10 a.m. on Friday, September 20 and 1 p.m. on Tuesday, September 24

### Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Thursday, September 5 (Live), rebroadcasts: 3 p.m. on Friday, September 6 and 10 a.m. on Tuesday, September 10

### **Planning Commission Meeting**

7 p.m. on Wednesday, September 4 (live), rebroadcasts: 11 a.m. on Thursday, September 5 and 7 p.m. on Wednesday, September 11

### **Property Preservation Commission Meeting**

7 p.m. on Tuesday, September 24 (live), rebroadcasts: 10 a.m. on Wednesday, September 25; and 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 1

Friday, September 13; and 3 p.m. on Saturday, September 28

### **CCPA Performances:** ATMA Ensemble

8 p.m. on Saturday, Šeptember 7; 7 p.m. on Tuesday, September 10; 11 a.m. on Wednesday, September 18; and 6 p.m. on Saturday, September 21

### **CCPA Performances: British Rock Royalty**

3 p.m. on Monday, September 2; 8 p.m. on Monday, September 16; 9 p.m. on Friday, September 20; and 11 a.m. on Thursday, September 26

### **Concerts Under the Stars: Embromar**

11 a.m. on Tuesday, September 3; 1 p.m. on Saturday, September 7; 11 a.m. on Thursday, September 12; and 9 p.m. on Sunday, September 22

### "Nothing Like It In The World" — The Story of the Cerritos Auto Square

12 p.m. on Wednesday, September 4; 4 p.m. on Saturday, September 7; 3 p.m. on Friday, September 13; and 7 p.m. on Tuesday, September 17

# Calendar of Events

### September 2 • Labor Day

September 5

• City Hall, City Clerk/Treasurer's Office, Library, Senior Center, Community Gymnasiums and CCPA Box Office closed



- September 3 Cerritos Chinese-American Senior Citizens Association, 1-4 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on September 10, 17 and 24. Contact Katie Yen at (562) 833-6711.
  - **Cerritos Folk Dancers**, 5-8 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on September 10, 17 and 24. Contact Julith Neff at (562) 881-9504.
  - The "Original" Happy Seniors of Cerritos, 5-8 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on September 10, 17 and 24. Contact Victoria Ilano at (562) 862-2842.
  - **ABC Unified School District Board** meeting, 7 p.m., 16700 Norwalk Blvd., Cerritos. Also on September 17.
- September 4 Planning Commission meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chamber.
  - Friends of the 1st CEB, 6 p.m., Liberty Park. Contact Chuck Sooter at (562) 860-8174.
  - Parks and Recreation Commission meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chamber.
    - **Cerritos Optimist Club**, 7 a.m., Denny's, 16907 Pioneer Blvd., Artesia. Also on September 12 and 26. Contact Manilal Fernando at (562) 402-4700.
    - Cerritos (Mid-City) Korean-American Senior Citizens Association, 9 a.m.-noon, Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on September 12, 19 and 26. Contact Kyo Kim at (562) 900-9382.
    - **Cerritos Indo-American Seniors**, 2-5 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on September 12, 19 and 26. Contact Arvind Patel at (562) 322-0085.
    - **Bellflower Unified School District Board** meeting, 4 p.m., 16703 S. Clark Avenue, Bellflower. Also on September 19 at 5 p.m.
  - **Formosa Senior Association**, 5-8 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on September 12, 19 and 26. Contact Christine Lee at (213) 219-1430.
- September 6 Filipino Seniors of Cerritos, 1:30-4:30 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on September 20. Contact Mayette Centeno at (562) 331-0938.
- September 7 Cerritos Certified Farmers' Market, 8 a.m.-noon, northwest parking lot of the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts. Also on September 14, 21 and 28.
  - Paper Shredding & Compost Event, 8 a.m.-noon, Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park.
- September 9 Cerritos Gadabouts, 9 a.m.-noon, Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on September 16 and 23. Contact Richard Taylor at (323) 712-0392.
- September 10 Cerritos Republican Club, 7 p.m., Cerritos Park East. Contact Dean Grose at (562) 241-0235 or deanlosal@gmail.com or visit cerritos-republican.org.
- September 12 City Council meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chamber.
   Woman's Club of Artesia-Cerritos, 11 a.m., Cerritos Park East.
  - Contact Sue Verway at (562) 926-2660. • Da' Hawaii Seniors Club, 2-5 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park.
  - Also on September 26. Contact Carmelita Tiongson at (562) 305-7995.
- September 17 Autumn Moon Festival, 5:30-8 p.m., Heritage Park.
- September 18 Community Safety Committee meeting, 7 p.m., Cerritos Sheriff's Station/Community Safety Center.
- September 19 Fine Arts and Historical Commission meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chamber.
   La Palma-Cerritos American Association of University Women, 5 p.m., The Den at Heritage Park. Contact Gail Ross at gailross1947@gmail.com.
- September 24 **Property Preservation Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chamber.
- September 26 City Council meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chamber.

# 988 hotline helps those in mental health crisis

The federal hotline 988 is a lifeline for people struggling with mental-health emergencies.

Offered as an alternative to 911, the 988 hotline quickly routes callers to the National Suicide Prevention & Mental Health Crisis Lifeline, which provides confidential emotional support to people in suicidal crisis or emotional distress 24 hours a day, seven days a week, throughout the United States.

A trained crisis worker answers the phone, listens to the callers, provides support, and gets callers the help that they need.

# Metropolitan Water District offers conservation rebate program

Residential and commercial rebates are available for qualifying water-saving devices and measures through the Metropolitan Water District (MWD) conservation rebate program.

Products eligible for rebates include highefficiency clothes washers, premium high-efficiency toilets, weather-based irrigation controllers, rotating sprinkler nozzles, rain barrels and cisterns and soil moisture sensor systems. Turf removal also qualifies for rebates.

Rebate amounts may vary and are based on the availability of funding. Visit socalwatersmart.com or call (888) 376-3314 for more information.

The MWD is a consortium of 26 cities and water districts that provides drinking water to nearly 19 million people in parts of Los Angeles, Orange, San Diego, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ventura counties.

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# **City of Cerritos 2023 Consumer Confidence Report**

The City of Cerritos is committed to providing patrons with high quality drinking water that meets all federal and state standards. The Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) is an annual quality report that the Safe Drinking Water Act requires community water systems to provide to their consumers. The purpose of the CCR is to educate consumers about the quality of their drinking water, where it comes from, and the right to know about the water they are consuming. We take our responsibilities to our community very seriously. To safeguard our continued exceptional water quality provided to nearly 50,000 residents, our skilled staff ensure that the water we serve meets or exceeds federal and state water quality standards.

We are pleased to inform you that the Cerritos tap water met all United States Environmental Protection Agency and State of California primary drinking water standards for 2023. Our water quality staff collected over 2,000 water samples in 2023. These samples were sent to independent laboratories certified by the State Water Resources Control Board and hired by the City to perform all the necessary analyses. We are proud to provide our customers with reliable, affordable, and exceptional quality drinking water.

This report provides information on the water quality testing completed in 2023, and details the results of the City's ongoing testing and reporting efforts. The bottom line is that Cerritos water complies with, and in many cases exceeds, all primary state and federal water quality standards for this reporting period.

The City of Cerritos has provided an annual Consumer Confidence Report to its customers since 1990, in compliance with state regulations adopted in 1989.

### Where Does My Tap Water Come From?

The City of Cerritos receives its water supply from two water sources: surface water from the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) and groundwater pumped from the Central Groundwater Basin. MWD water is transported from the Colorado River and the State Water Project in Northern California. In 2023, the City was able to supply all of its drinking water from local groundwater sources.

Every five years, the MWD is required by the California Department of Water Resources to conduct an initial source water assessment to examine possible sources of drinking water contamination and to recommend actions to better protect these source waters. The most recent MWD Watershed Sanitary Surveys were completed in 2020 for the Colorado River and in 2021 for the State Water Project. The Colorado River and State Water Project each have different water quality challenges. Water from the Colorado River is considered most vulnerable to contamination from recreation, urban/stormwater runoff, increasing urbanization in the watershed, and wastewater. Water supplies from Northern California's State Water Project are most vulnerable to contamination from urban/stormwater runoff, wildlife, agriculture, recreation, and wastewater. Each of these elements makes the source waters vulnerable to potential contamination. The MWD and other water agencies take special measures to protect water at the source and invest resources to support improved watershed protection programs. For more information on the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, visit MWD's website at mwdh2o.com.

The City also receives groundwater from three groundwater wells located at various locations within the city. These wells, drilled to a depth from 640 feet to 1000 feet, supplied 2.29 billion gallons which was 100 percent of the City's total drinking water supply in 2023. The water is pumped at the individual wellheads; treated with chlorine to disinfect the water from microbial contaminants; and then distributed to a population of approximately 50,000 people through a large City-owned water distribution system. The water distribution system consists of approximately 181 miles of pipes ranging in size from 30-inch diameter down to 4-inch diameter and supplies domestic drinking water to some 16,000 services, including residential, commercial, and industrial users. The water system includes one 12-million-gallon reservoir with a booster pumping station capable of delivering about 18,000 gallons per minute and two 6-million gallon reservoirs with a booster station capable of delivering about 17,000 gallons per minute. These reservoirs, with their combined 24-million-gallon capacity, provide more than enough water storage to meet the City's peak demand periods and any potential fire-flow or emergency requirements.

# How Is My Drinking Water Tested?

The State of California DDW allows some constituents to be tested less than once a year because the concentrations of these constituents do not change frequently. City wells are monitored at least once a month for microbiological and physical quality. Additional samples are collected and analyzed for various chemical, radiological, and aesthetic quality constituents.

Our water quality professionals collect approximately 20 samples each week in the distribution system to test for microbiological quality, monthly for physical quality, and quarterly for total trihalomethane and haloacetic acid formation, which are disinfection byproducts that result when chlorine is added to water with high levels of natural organics. Independent laboratories certified by the State are hired by the City to perform all the necessary analyses.

# What Are Drinking Water Standards?

With regard to the regulation of water constituents, there are two types of limits, known as standards: Primary standards set limits for substances that may be harmful to humans if consumed in large quantities over certain periods of time. Secondary standards are limits for substances that could affect the water's taste, odor, and appearance. State and federal regulations set a Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for each of the primary and secondary standards. The MCL is the highest level of a substance that is allowed in drinking water.

There are over 100 standards set by the California Department of Water Resources for compounds that could be found in drinking water. The City has sampled and tested for every applicable compound. If in the past year, any water samples ever tested positive for any of these contaminants, they are listed in the Water Quality Table. If they were not detected, they are not included in the Water Quality Table.

### How Do I Read the Water Quality Table?

The table in this report lists all of the contaminants for which state or federal standards have been set that the City detected during the current reporting period. The presence of these contaminants does not necessarily mean that the water poses a health risk. The water quality test results are divided into two main sections: those related to Primary Standards, and those related to Secondary Standards. The primary standards section is further divided by sampling locations. "Monitored at the Source" identifies contaminants that are measured at the well or surface water source. "Monitored in the Distribution System" means the samples were taken from water sampling points located throughout our service area. "At the Tap" means samples were taken from customers' faucets.

The first column of the water quality table lists substances that have been detected through testing. The water delivered in Cerritos is a blend of three wells and treated surface water obtained from MWD. Therefore, the next columns list the average concentration and range of concentrations found in the well water and MWD surface water. Following are columns that list the MCL and Public Health Goals (PHG) or Maximum Contaminant Level Goals (MCLG), if appropriate. The last column describes the likely sources of substances in drinking water.

To review the quality of your drinking water, compare the highest concentration and the MCL. Check for substances greater than the MCL. No regulated or unregulated organic compounds were detected in groundwater other than Trichloroethylene (TCE), 1,1-Dichloroethylene (1,1-DCE), and Tetrachloroethylene (PCE) which was found in one well at a concentration below the MCL. Some health issues have been associated with people who drink water containing TCE, PCE and 1,1-DCE in excess of the MCL over the course of many years. The concentration of TCE, PCE and 1,1-DCE in Cerritos, however, is well below the MCL.

Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Cerritos is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. If lead is present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you do so, you may wish to collect the flushed water and reuse it for another beneficial purpose, such as watering plants. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at **epa.gov/lead**.

# What Affects the Contents of Water?

All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (U.S. EPA) Safe Drinking Water Hotline **(800) 426-4791**.

You can get more information on tap water by logging on to the U.S. EPA's helpful water website at **water.epa.gov/drink**.

### What Does the U.S. EPA Say About Drinking Water Quality?

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material. The City of Cerritos conducts regular testing as prescribed by state and federal agencies to ensure that none of the contaminants listed below are detected at levels considered to be harmful by the health agencies.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, including viruses and bacteria, that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife;
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, that can be naturally occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming;
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses;
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, that are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems;
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

To ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the U.S. EPA and the California Department of Water Resources prescribe regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems.

# Should I Take Additional Precautions?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. The U.S. EPA/Centers for Disease Control guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection of Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the U.S. EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at **(800) 426-4791**.

# How Can I Participate in Decisions on Water?

Decisions about your water system are made at Cerritos City Council meetings, which are regularly scheduled at the City Hall Council Chambers at 7 P.M. on the second and fourth Thursday of every month. Council meetings are cablecast live on Cerritos TV3 and meeting videos are archived on the City's website. If you have specific questions about your tap water quality, please contact the Cerritos Water Division at **(562) 407-2674**.

The City of Cerritos groundwater is pumped from the Central Groundwater Basin. The Central Basin is a series of large natural aquifers below the ground that stretch from Los Angeles to Orange County. Water in these aquifers comes from natural inflows of rainfall and snow melt, artificial inflows from imported and recycled water, as well as groundwater underflow from adjacent basins. Spreading grounds located at the major inflows from the Rio Hondo and San Gabriel Rivers of the Montebello Forebay, allow water from various sources to artificially seep down into the Central Basin aquifers. Therefore, as surface water slowly percolates through the ground to the aquifers, the ground acts as a natural filter to clean the water.

In 2013, the State of California Division of Drinking Water (DDW) completed an assessment of City's groundwater supplies. The assessment established that the groundwater supplies are most vulnerable to automobile gas stations, chemical/petroleum processing/storage, known contaminant plumes, contractor or government agency equipment storage yards, parks, freeway/ state highways transportation corridors, herbicide use in road rights-of-way, water wells, dry cleaners, metal plating/finishing/ fabricating, automobile repair shops, utility station maintenance areas, and wastewater treatment plants. A copy of the approved assessment may be obtained by contacting the Cerritos Water Division at **(562) 407-2674**.

Detected substances that exceed a PHG or MCLG must be reported. PHGs are set by the California Environmental Protection Agency. PHGs provide more information on the quality of drinking water to customers, and are similar to their federal counterparts, MCLGs. Both PHGs and MCLGs are levels that are of an advisory nature only and unenforceable. Both PHGs and MCLGs are concentrations of a substance at which there are no known or expected health risks. The regulations require a listing of the PHG and/or MCLG for each detected chemical contaminant, a definition of terms, information on violations, and a statement about health concerns of chemicals detected above regulatory limits. Some additional substances of interest are listed even though no PHG or MCLG has been established. This report contains very important information about the water you drink. Translate the report or speak with someone who understands the content.

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

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此报告包含有关您的饮用水的重要信息。请人帮您翻译出来,或请看懂此 报告的人将内容说给您听。

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# 2023 Annual Water Quality Report

Results are from the most recent testing performed in accordance with state and federal drinking water regulations

### Primary Standards Monitored At The Source — Mandated For Public Health

	GROUN	DWATER	PRIMARY		MA JOB SOURCES IN DRIVING WATER
ORGANIC CHEMICALS - Results from 2023	AVERAGE	RANGE	MCL	PHG	MAJOR SOURCES IN DRINKING WATER
1,1-Dichloroethylene (1,1-DCE) (µg/l)	0.52	ND - 2.0	6	10	Discharge from metal degreasing sites and other industries
Tetrachloroethylene (PCE) (µg/l)	<0.5 (a)	ND - 0.64	5	0.06	Discharge from factories, dry cleaners, and auto shops (metal degreaser)
Trichloroethylene (TCE) (µg/I)	0.67	ND - 2.4	5	1.7	Discharge from metal degreasing sites and other industries
INORGANICS - Results from 2021 and 2023					
Arsenic (µg/I) (b)	6.3	4.7 - 8.1	10	0.004	Erosion of natural deposits; glass/electronics production wastes; runoff
Barium (mg/l)	0.11	ND - 0.17	1	2	Oil drilling waste and metal refinery discharge; erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride (mg/l)	0.28	0.27 - 0.30	2	1	Erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate as N (mg/l)	<0.4	ND - 0.48	10	10	Runoff and leaching from fertilizer use/septic tanks/sewage, natural erosion
RADIOLOGICAL - Results from 2017 and 2023	3				
Uranium (pCi/l)	1.0	ND - 1.6	20	0.43	Erosion of natural deposits

### Primary Standards Monitored In The Distribution System — Mandated For Public Health

Weekly Results from 2023	DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM		PRIMARY		MAJOR SOURCES IN DRINKING WATER				
MICROBIALS	HIGHEST NUMBER OF DETECTIONS	NO. OF MONTHS IN VIOLATION	MCL	MCLG					
E. coli	0	0	(C)	0	Naturally present in the environment				
Quarterly Results from 2023	DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM		PRIMARY	Health	MAJOR SOURCES IN DRINKING WATER				
DISINFECTION BYPRODUCTS	AVERAGE	RANGE	MCL	Goal					
Trihalomethanes-TTHMS (µg/l) (d)	19	ND - 24	80	-	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection				
Haloacetic Acids (µg/I) (d)	2.0	ND - 2.3	60	-	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection				
Total Chlorine Residual (mg/l) (d)	1.0	0.70 - 1.6	4.0 (e)	4.0 (f)	Drinking water disinfectant added for treatment				
Triennial Results from 2022	DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM		PRIMARY	DUC	MAJOR SOURCES IN DRINKING WATER				
LEAD AND COPPER AT THE TAP	90th PERCENTILE LEVEL	# OF SITES ABOVE THE AL	MCL	PHG					
Copper (mg/l)	0.36 (g)	0	1.3 AL	0.3	Internal corrosion of household plumbing, erosion of natural deposits				
Lead (µg/I)	ND (g)	0	15 AL	0.2	Internal corrosion of household plumbing, industrial manufacturer discharges				

### Secondary Standards Monitored At The Source — For Aesthetic Purposes

	GROUN	DWATER	SECONDARY	PHC	MAJOR SOURCES IN DRINKING WATER		
Triennial Results from 2021 and 2023	AVERAGE	RANGE	MCL	PHO			
Chloride (mg/l)	37	29 - 51	500	-	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits, seawater influence		
Conductivity (umhos/cm)	580	510 - 660	1,600	-	Substances that form ions when in water, seawater influence		
Manganese (µg/I) (tested monthly)	50	34 - 56	50	-	Leaching from natural deposits		
Sulfate (mg/l)	68	45 - 87	500	-	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits, industrial wastes		
Total Dissolved Solids (mg/l)	360	310 - 410	1000	-	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits		
Turbidity (NTU)	0.10	0.10	5	-	Soil runoff		

# Secondary Standards Monitored In The Distribution System — For Aesthetic Purposes

Monthly Results from 2023	DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM		SECONDARY	Health	MAJOR SOURCES IN DRINKING WATER		
GENERAL PHYSICAL CONSTITUENTS	AVERAGE	RANGE	MCL	Goal			
Color (color units)	2.5	ND - 10	15	-	Naturally-occurring organic materials		
Odor (threshold odor number)	0.42	ND - 5	3	-	Naturally-occurring organic materials		
Turbidity (NTU)	0.30	0.10 - 2.4	5	-	Soil runoff		

### **Unregulated Chemicals Requiring Monitoring**

	GRO	PHG		
Results from 2019	AVERAGE	RANGE	1110	
Manganese (µg/l) (h)	34	25 - 47	-	
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Results from 2019	AVERAGE	RANGE	FIIG	
Haloacetic acids (HAA5) (µg/l)	1.3	0.52 - 3.4	-	
Haloacetic acids (HAA6Br) (µg/l)	2.4	0.66 - 5.9	-	
Haloacetic acids (HAA9) (µg/l)	2.6	0.66 - 6.8	-	

### **Chemicals Of Additional Interest**

### **Footnotes**

	GROU	INDWATER	PHG	(a) "<" means the constituent was detected but the average of the test results is less than the		
Results from 2021, 2022, and 2023	AVERAGE	RANGE		reporting limit required by the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water.		
Alkalinity (mg/l as CaCO3)	180	180 - 190	-	(b) While your drinking water meets the federal and state standard for arsenic, it does		
Calcium (mg/l)	61	53 - 76	-	contain low levels of arsenic. The standard balances the current understanding of arsenic's		
Perfluorooctane Sulfonic Acid (ng/l)	<4	ND - 5.3	-	possible health effects against the costs of removing arsenic from drinking water. The		
Magnesium (mg/l)	9.5	7.8 - 11	-	U.S. EPA continues to research the health effects of low levels of arsenic, which is a mineral		
pH (standard unit)	7.8	7.8	-	known to cause cancer in humans at high concentrations and is linked to other health		
Potassium (mg/l)	2.9	2.7 - 3.3	-	effects such as skin damage and circulatory problems.		
Sodium (mg/l)	45	28 - 69	-	(c) A public water system is in violation of the E. coli MCL when any of the following occurs:		
Total Hardness (mg/l as CaCO3)	190	160 - 230	-	(1.) The system has an E. coli-positive repeat sample following a total coliform-positive		
Abbreviations				<ul> <li>coll-positive routine sample, or (4.) The system fails to test for E. coll when any repeat sample tests positive for total colliform.</li> <li>(d) Running annual average used to calculate MCL compliance.</li> <li>(e) Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)</li> <li>(f) Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG)</li> <li>(g) 90th percentile from the most recent sampling at selected customer taps.</li> <li>(h) Manganese was included as part of the unregulated chemicals requiring monitoring.</li> </ul>		
<b>PUM</b> = picoCuries per liter	ND = constituent not detected at the reporting limit			<b>ingr</b> – minigrams per ner or parts per minion (equivalent to 1 drop in 42 gallons)		
<pre>µmhos/cm = micromhos per centimeter</pre>	NTU = nephelom	etric turbidity units		<b>ng/l</b> = nanograms per liter or parts per billion (equivalent to 1 drop in 42,000 gallons) <b>ng/l</b> = nanograms per liter or parts per trillion (equivalent to 1 drop in 42,000,000 gallons)		

### **Definitions**

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. Primary MCLs are set as close to the PHGs (or MCLGs) as is economically and technologically feasible. Secondary MCLs are set to protect the odor, taste, and appearance of drinking water.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs are set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL): The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary to control microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG): The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to

control microbial contaminants.

Public Health Goal (PHG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. PHGs are set by the California Environmental Protection Agency.

Regulatory Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

Primary Drinking Water Standard (PDWS): MCLs and MRDLs for contaminants that affect health along with their monitoring and reporting requirements, and water treatment requirements.

# Cerritos Water Meets All Primary State & Federal Standards

CITY OF CERRITOS Utility Billing Division - P.O.Box 3127 18125 Bloomfield Avenue Cerritos, CA 90703

#### Service Addr: 12363 CREEKWOOD AVE

Customer Number: 0006740101701580

Meter Size: 5/8" x 3/4" Water Meter

#### 12363 CREEKWOOD AVE CERRITOS CA 90703

Current Read Date: 06/21/2024	Pre	Previous Read Date: 04/22/2024					Billing Dat	e: 07/12/2024
Current Read	Previous Rea		d	Usage	Days		Meter Number	
3382	3367		7	15	60		15718480	
Billing Detail			Amount			onoumnt	ion History	
Billing Detail			Amount					<b>A</b>
					Read Date	Days	Usage	Avg
Billing			\$40 71		06/21/2024	60	15	0.25
Daymont Thank You			¢40.71CD		04/22/2024	62	11	0.18
Payment - Thank You			\$40.7 ICR		02/20/2024	63	11	0.17
Balance Forward			\$0.00		12/19/2023	62	15	0.24
					10/18/2023	62	18	0.29
Current Activity:	Usage	Rate			08/17/2023	62	23	0.37
Water					06/16/2023	63	18	0.29
Base Charge	10.00		\$37.61		04/14/2023	59	8	0.14
Over Base Charge	5.00	\$2.75	\$13.75					
Sewer Charge			\$0.48					
Total Current Charges			\$51.84					
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:			\$51.84					
DUE DATE:			07/29/2024					

#### Cycle Bill

#### MESSAGES:

Cerritos' water meets or exceeds all primary state and federal standards for drinking water quality as reported in the City's Annual Consumer Confidence (Water Quality) Report. Visit the City's website at cerritos.us/ccr2023.pdf to view the report. Hard copies can be obtained at the Cerritos City Hall Water Billing counter.

Detach and return this portion with your payment. Please write your account number on your check. Make checks payable to City of Cerritos or you may also pay online at WWW.CERRITOS.US

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Customer Number 0006740101701580 <u>Due Date</u> 07/29/2024

AMOUNT DUE

\$51.84

12363 CREEKWOOD AVE CERRITOS CA 90703 AMOUNT PAID

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