

Welcome to *Carlsbad*



A resource guide
for residents



CITY OF
CARLSBAD





Welcome to Carlsbad

Whether new to the community or a long-time resident, you will find Carlsbad to be a very special place, where an ideal climate and abundant natural open spaces combine with active neighborhoods and a small town, beach community feel to create a community we are proud to call home.

The City of Carlsbad has prepared this guide to help residents get to know their city.



Our history

Named for a famed 19th Century European spa whose mineral springs were found to be remarkably similar to those found here, Carlsbad's history reflects the heritage of many cultures. The shoreline of Carlsbad's Agua Hedionda Lagoon was home to the indigenous Luiseño and Diegueños Indians for centuries before the arrival of the Spaniards. The area known today as Carlsbad was once a territory of Spain and then Mexico.

The City of Carlsbad was incorporated in 1952 and today is home to more than 100,000 people. Guided by an award-winning growth management plan approved by voters in 1986, Carlsbad has matured into a well-rounded community where parks, roads and other infrastructure have kept pace with development. Now that most of the growth in Carlsbad has already occurred, the city is focused on sustaining an excellent quality of life for residents and continuing to foster a strong sense of community.

For more local history visit the Carlsbad History Room located in the Cole Library.

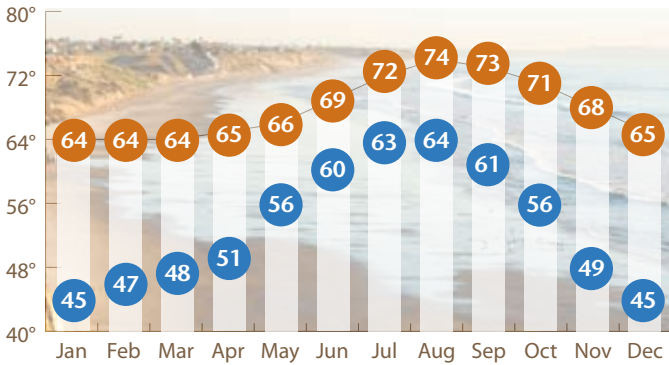


Fast facts

Population	107,000
Total square miles	42
Miles of coastline	7
Number of parks	25
Number of libraries	3
Number of fire stations	6
Number of lagoons	3
Trails	45 miles and counting

Weather

Average temperature (°F) ● High ● Low



Your city government

The City of Carlsbad is a municipal corporation following the council-manager form of government. The City Council, the city's legislative body, enacts ordinances, resolutions and orders necessary for governing the affairs of the city, adopts an annual budget, authorizes contracts on behalf of the city, and appoints the city manager, city attorney, and members of city boards and commissions. The city manager serves as the city's chief administrative officer and sees to it the Council's programs are implemented. In 2008, residents voted to become a charter city, providing greater local control over city affairs. Carlsbad has an elected mayor and four City Council members elected at large.

Get involved

The City of Carlsbad provides many ways for residents to get involved in local government.

- **City Council meetings** – Attend City Council meetings in person or watch them on the city website or cable channel (Time Warner 24/126 or AT&T 99). Sign up on the city website to get City Council agendas by email.
- **Boards and commissions** – The city has a number of boards and commissions that advise the City Council on issues of interest to the community. For a schedule of meetings and to find out how to become a member, visit the city website and look under "City Clerk."
- **Citizens Academy** – Get a behind the scenes look at how the city operates, meet city leaders and learn about city government during this free seven week evening course.
- **News and events** – Keep up with city news and events by subscribing to city newsletters and e-mail updates. Follow the city on social media sites like Twitter and Facebook, and watch city news on YouTube and the city cable channel.
- **Open records** – The city's business is your business. City records, including plans, maps, budgets and project reports, are available for public review in person or online.



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Connecting with your community

- **Community events** – The city hosts special events year round for kids, families and active adults. Check the calendar on the city's website for upcoming dates and times.
- **Lifelong learning** – The city offers free and low cost classes for students of all ages through its library, arts and recreation programs. Class schedules and registration information are available on the city's website and in the Community Services Guide, which is published three times a year and available at community centers throughout the city.
- **Art and culture** – The City of Carlsbad promotes arts and culture with its own programs and partnerships with community organizations. The city's Cultural Arts Office provides hands on arts education; manages rotating art exhibits at the Carlsbad Sculpture Garden and the William D. Cannon Art Gallery; and puts on the popular TGIF Jazz in the Parks concerts each summer – all free to the public. Residents can also enjoy an eclectic array of musical performances at the Ruby G. Schulman Auditorium at the Carlsbad City Library on Dove Lane.
- **City volunteer program** – Meet new friends while serving your community through the city's active volunteer program. Residents help take care of trails, bring meals to homebound neighbors, teach reading, help with special events and more. Call **760-434-2929** to get involved.
- **For the 50+ crowd** – It's all about fun, fitness and friendship at the Carlsbad Senior Center, where active adults gather for classes, events, and free seminars and screenings. Take advantage of the fitness room and computer lab, and dine with neighbors at the weekday lunch program.





- **World class libraries** – The City of Carlsbad has three outstanding libraries, offering everything from public computers to free wireless Internet access, programs for all ages to a diverse collection. Carlsbad’s libraries are a great place to get connected.
- **Parks and recreation** – Enjoy the city’s beautiful parks, extensive trails system, fitness classes, and sports leagues for kids and adults. Check the city’s website for trail head locations and events, sports league sign ups and information about other recreational activities.
- **Farmers Market** – Mingle with your neighbors and pick up fresh, locally grown produce at the Carlsbad Village Association’s farmers market Wednesdays and Saturdays from 1-5 p.m. on Roosevelt Street in the heart of downtown Carlsbad Village.



1. City of Carlsbad
City Hall
1200 Carlsbad Village Drive
2. City of Carlsbad
Faraday Administrative Center
1635 Faraday Ave.
3. City of Carlsbad
Public Safety Center
2560 Orion Way
4. City of Carlsbad Utilities/
Carlsbad Municipal Water District
5950 El Camino Real
5. Chamber of Commerce*
5934 Priestly Drive
6. Visit Carlsbad*
400 Carlsbad Village Drive

Fire Stations

7. Fire Station #1
1275 Carlsbad Village Drive
8. Fire Station #2
1906 Arenal Road
9. Fire Station #3
3701 Catalina Drive
10. Fire Station #4
6885 Batiquitos Drive
11. Fire Station #5
2540 Orion Way
12. Fire Station #6
7201 Rancho Santa Fe Road
13. City of Carlsbad
Housing & Neighborhood Services
2965 Roosevelt St.

Library & Cultural Arts

14. City of Carlsbad Cultural Arts
Office and Sculpture Garden
2955 Elmwood St.
15. Carlsbad City Library
Ruby G. Schulman Auditorium
William D. Cannon Art Gallery
1775 Dove Lane

16. Georgina Cole Library
1250 Carlsbad Village Drive
17. Library Learning Center
3368 Eureka Place

Parks & Recreation

18. Ann D. L'Heureux Dog Park
2700 Carlsbad Village Drive
19. Aviara Community Park
6435 Ambrosia Lane
20. Business Park Recreational Facility
Faraday Avenue and
Camino Hills Drive
21. Cadencia Park
3310 Cadencia St.
22. Calavera Hills Community Center
and Park
2997 Glasgow Drive
23. Cannon Park
Carlsbad Boulevard and
Cannon Road
24. Chase Field
3349 Harding St.
25. Harding Community Center
3096 Harding St.
26. Heritage Hall
2650 Garfield St.
27. Hidden Canyon Park
2685 Vancouver St.
28. Holiday Park
Chestnut Street and
Pio Pico Drive
29. Hosp Gove Park
Jefferson Street and Marron Road
30. Kruger House
3251 Eureka Place
31. La Costa Canyon Park
Pueblo Street and Rana Court
32. Laguna Riviera Park
Kelly Drive and Park Drive

- 33. Leo Carrillo Ranch Historic Park
6200 Flying LC Lane
- 34. Magee Park
258 Beech Ave.
- 35. Maxton Brown Park
500 Laguna Drive
- 36. Monroe Street Pool
3401 Monroe St.
- 37. Pine Avenue Community Park
3333 Harding St.
- 38. Parks & Recreation
Administration
799 Pine Ave., Ste. 200
- 39. Poinsettia Community Park
6600 Hidden Valley Road
- 40. City of Carlsbad Skatepark
2560 Orion Way
- 41. Carlsbad Senior Center
799 Pine Ave.
- 42. Stagecoach Community Center
and Park
3420 Camino de los Coches
- 43. The Crossings at Carlsbad
(golf course)
5800 The Crossings Drive

Other Places*

Post Offices

- A. 2772 Roosevelt St.
(northern Carlsbad)
- B. 1700 Aviara Parkway
(southern Carlsbad)

*Non-city

Hospitals

- C. Tri-City Medical Center
4002 Vista Way, Oceanside
- D. Scripps Memorial Hospital
354 Santa Fe Drive, Encinitas

Shopping

- E. Carlsbad Premium Outlets
5620 Paseo Del Norte
- F. Carlsbad Village
Carlsbad Village Drive, west of
Interstate 5
- G. The Forum
1932 Calle Barcelona
- H. Westfield Plaza Camino Real
2525 El Camino Real

Fun

- I. LEGOLAND California
One Legoland Drive
- J. Flower Fields
5704 Paseo Del Norte
- K. Museum of Making Music
5790 Armada Drive
- L. New Village Arts Theater
2787 State St., Ste. B
- M. Batiquitos Lagoon
Nature Center
7380 Gabbiano Lane
- N. Agua Hedionda Lagoon Foundation
1500 Cannon Road
- O. Buena Vista Lagoon Audubon Society
2202 S. Coast Highway, Oceanside

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City News and Events

The City of Carlsbad provides several ways for residents to keep up with city news and events:

- **Website:** The city's website, www.carlsbadca.gov, offers a wealth of information including city news, City Council agendas and live streaming of council meetings, class registration, an events calendar, online water bill payment, library catalogue; and contact information for all city departments and services.
- **E-news:** Sign up to receive the city's latest news and information right to your inbox through the city's e-subscription service on the city's website home page.
- **City TV:** Watch City Council meetings and get the latest city news on the City of Carlsbad cable channel on Time Warner channel 24/126 and AT&T U-verse channel 99.
- **Community Services Guide:** Published three times a year, the guide contains information on events, programs and classes offered by the city. Pick one up at any community center, or browse the digital version on the city's website.



City Events at a Glance

March

Citizens Academy

March-May

Flower Fields in bloom

April

Carlsbad Reads Together

Eggstravaganza

May

Carlsbad Village Faire

July

Carlsbad Triathlon and Health Expo

June – August

TGIF Jazz in the Parks

Summer reading program

August

State of the City

Leo Carrillo Ranch

Film Festival

September

Art Splash

Citizens Academy

October

Halloween on Elm

November

Carlsbad Village Faire

December

Holiday at the Rancho

Community phone book



Carlsbad residents can always reach someone at City Hall Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. by dialing at **760-434-2820**. In addition, the city's website has a comprehensive community phone book with numbers for hundreds of frequently requested services and organizations. Click on "Contact Us" in the upper right of every page.

Commonly requested numbers

City Hall	760-434-2820
Beach information	619-688-3260
Water billing	760-602-2420
Building permits	760-602-2719
North County Transit District	760-967-2828
SDG&E	800-411-7343
Trash/recycling	760-929-9400
Animal control	760-438-2312



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