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MILVIA BIKEWAY PROJECT

The City is holding the second public [Open House for the Milvia Bikeway Project](#) on Tuesday, October 1st from 5:00 to 7:00 PM in the Community Room on the third floor of the Berkeley Public Library at 2090 Kittredge Street. At this event, the public will have the opportunity to learn about the preferred design alternative for the project, provide valuable input to help the City refine and improve the design, and hear about next steps to construct a protected bikeway on Berkeley's busiest bikeway street.



COASTAL CLEAN-UP

On Saturday, approximately 1,300 volunteers came out to [help clean our coastline](#) from Ashby Avenue to Gilman Street and all along the Marina. This annual effort not only leads to thousands of pounds of debris removal but also results in a lot of data collection. Last year, we learned that the top trash items are “single use” and the debris ranged from 12,515 small plastic pieces to 601 plastic lids. Data like this helps to change laws and give us all more information when we make purchasing decisions.

HIP HOP FEST

Over the weekend, Grove Park was host to over 350 people for its 2nd annual [Back-to-School Hip Hop Fest](#). The event included a free concert showcasing local artists, food, and a variety of activities, including a breakdance competition and a graffiti expo.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE

The Planning Department is hosting an “Open House” from **4:00 pm—6:00 pm Wednesday October 16** in the Permit Service Center, 1947 Center Street, 3rd floor. Visit the remodeled Permit Service Center, learn how to submit project applications, and discover how staff reviews your plans. Ask about zoning standards for property or projects in Berkeley, see the work being done to ensure safe rental housing, and learn about building and vehicle electrification, and clean energy programs. Meet staff who inspect buildings to ensure safe construction and to address toxic contamination. The Open House is part of the Planning Department's efforts to continuously improve the service staff provide to community members and to make information and assistance easily accessible to all.

RECREATION EVENTS



- Sep 28 Martial Arts Tournament, 9:30 am - 4:00 pm, MLK Jr Youth Center/Young Adult Project (YAP)
- Oct 5 Music in the Park: Harvest Festival, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm, Cedar Rose Park
- Oct 31 Haunted House, 6:00 pm - 9:30 pm, MLK Jr Youth Center/Young Adult Project (YAP)