



# MILLBRAE NEWS

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## "Bags to Benches" A project to Celebrate!



On February 23, 2021, Millbrae Leos Club introduced the "Plastic Bags to Park Benches" Recycling Program sponsored by Trex to the Millbrae City Council. Trex sponsors local recycling programs in communities throughout the country. When more than 500

pounds of plastic refuse in a six-month span (about 40,500 plastic bags), is collected, a high-performance composite bench is donated to the community. Along with the Millbrae Leos Club and Spring Valley Girl Scout Troops, the Leos sponsored: the Millbrae Lions Club, Millbrae Scout Troop #355, Planet Savers of the Peninsula, Millbrae Anti-racist Coalition, and the Bay Area Leo's Club.

Since the project was launched, over 3,500 pounds of plastic refuse has been collected at City Hall from various volunteers across the Millbrae Community. The Leos, Spring Valley Girl Scout Troops, and other volunteers picked up plastic from City Hall and delivered it to Safeway, where a distribution channel had already been established by Trex. Safeway agreed to receive sorted/weighted plastic at their loading dock to add to the shipment to Trex. Through this program, seven benches have been earned for the City of Millbrae.

To honor the commitment to their community through volunteerism, the eight-member Millbrae Leos Board of classes 2021 and 2022 have been awarded the Gold Presidential Volunteer Service Award by the Honorable Joseph R. Biden, President of the United States. The board included President Brian Wen, Vice-President Mark Soliman, Secretary Brandon Hoang, Budget Director Kylie Chan, Membership Director Collin Tse, Project Director Cayenne Wong, Webmaster David Lock, and Historian Austin Wong.

To commemorate this program's dedication and hard work, we will be holding a bench dedication on August 21st at Josephine Waugh Soroptimist Park at 11:00 AM. The bench will be dedicated to the Millbrae Leos Board classes of 2021 and 2022.



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## Development Progress:

What used to be the Office Depot now has plans to transform into a multipurpose building structure. Much care and attention to detail went into designing the new building that will be home to 278 multi-family dwelling units and 17,210 square feet of ground floor commercial space. The project will include 26 units designated for occupancy by Very Low-Income households. A total of 349 off-street parking spaces will be provided for retail and residential uses. This project will provide high-quality commercial space to our downtown area to support the needs of our growing community. For more information on this project, please visit our website by [clicking here](#).



## Provide your input on the future of Millbrae!

The Draft 2040 General Plan is available for public review! Also available for public review is the Downtown and El Camino Real Specific Plan and the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR). Every city, town, and county in California must have a general plan, which is the local government's long-term framework or "constitution" for future growth and development. The general plan represents the community's aspiration for its future growth and development.

### Millbrae's vision for the future:

*In 2040, Millbrae is the gem of the Peninsula, distinguished locally for its strong sense of community and regionally as the Bay Area's premier transit hub. Residents and businesses continue to be proud to call Millbrae "home" because of its pristine views of the Bay, attractive residential neighborhoods, distinguished schools, charming and lively downtown, and active civic life. Millbrae is a regional destination because of its premier transit hub, cultural diversity, vibrancy of El Camino Real, range of retail and restaurants, and lively atmosphere. Millbrae exemplifies a vibrant, sustainable and prosperous community.*

Learn more about the 2040 General Plan and provide your feedback at the [Community Workshop](#) on August 24th or by visiting [Millbrae 2040](#).



## Millbrae Mischief 12U C State Champions!

Millbrae Girls Softball Association, Mischief 12U C team, qualified for the 2022 California State Games in San Diego, California, this past July 2022. During their pool play games, the team went 2-0, which placed them 1st in pool play and gave them a first-round bye for bracket play. Saturday evening, they played and won their bracket game 23-10 which advanced them to the Semi-Final game Sunday morning. They won the semi-final game and reached the Championship game, which no other Millbrae team has done before. They were down 0-2 until a 3-run homer changed everything. The girls finished the game playing hard and never letting up until the game's final moments. With two outs, a walk-off RBI scored the winning run, and the Millbrae Mischief were named the State Champions! The City of Millbrae congratulates these girls for their well-deserved title, along with the coaches, parents, and family that supported the girls along the way.





## August is Back-to-School Safety Month

After the long summer days, August marks the time of year when children return to their structured schedules and head back to school for the year.

Central County Fire Department (CCFD) would like to remind everyone to safely share the roads with school buses, pedestrians, and bicyclists and provide children with the necessary knowledge to stay safe when heading to school and after.

### Children should know to:

- Always cross the street with an adult if under 10 years old.
- Use crosswalks, cross at street corners, and obey traffic signals when crossing streets.
- Never run into streets or cross in between parked cars.
- Exit a school bus and cross the street in front of the bus where the driver can see them.

### Drivers should remember to:

- Slow down and be alert in residential neighborhoods and school zones.
- Take extra time to look for children at intersections, curbs and between cars.
- Watch for children on and near the road before and after school hours.
- Reduce any distractions inside your car by turning down music and putting away your phone to avoid talking or texting while driving.

CCFD hopes that with these tips in mind, the start of the school year is safe and stress-free. We hope that students study hard and stay safe, and we wish them the best of luck as they return to school.



## A Message from the Millbrae Police Bureau

The Millbrae Police Bureau (MPB) is focusing on community engagement.

Our goal is to get to know the residents of Millbrae and for the residents to know the Deputies patrolling their communities. The deputies take great pride in their work at MPB and look forward to engaging with Millbrae's residents and business owners.

The downtown foot patrol and walking beat was initiated to develop such relationships and promote community engagement. The goal of this beat is to create visibility in the City of Millbrae. Be sure to say hello when you see the Deputies walking downtown.



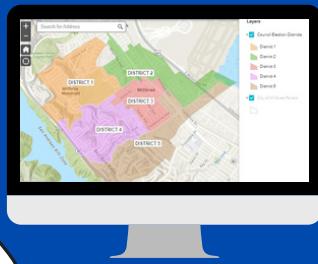
Next Friday, August 26th, you have a chance to come meet your Chief of Police and the Sheriff Elect Christina Corpus at a hosted coffee and conversation event with the Chief and City Manager at Starbucks.

We are gearing up for the Art and Wine Festival the first weekend in September. We will have a patrol team who will be providing assistance inside the festival, as well as our emergency services bureau division. This will be a great opportunity for you to come out and meet your MPB team. We look forward to seeing you there!

## NOVEMBER 8, 2022 MILLBRAE'S FIRST CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT ELECTIONS

### WONDERING WHAT DISTRICT YOU LIVE IN?

Try our new interactive City Council Elections District Map tool available to Millbrae residents!



[Find my District](#)



AUGUST 20, 2022,  
8:00-3:00 PM

## Beats, Brews & Vines Upcoming Concerts:

September 15th      October 20th  
6:00-8:00 P.M.      5:00-7:00 P.M.  
As is Band      Polkageist West



## REGISTER TODAY FOR THE FIRST CITY OF MILLBRAE CITIZENS ACADEMY!

Don't miss this unique opportunity to learn about local government. Register today for our first City of Millbrae Citizens Academy! To register please complete The Citizen Academy application located on the program website, [Citizens Academy 2022](#). Registration will close on September 9, 2022.

# EVENTS



## COMMUNITY WORKSHOP: PUBLIC REVIEW DRAFT 2040 GENERAL PLAN

PROVIDE YOUR INPUT ON THE FUTURE OF MILLBRAE!

Wednesday, August 24, 2022

6:30-8:30 PM

Millbrae Recreation Center, Great Hall

477 Lincoln Circle, Millbrae CA



The cost is \$5 per entry. You may enter as many times as you'd like.

Proceeds go to the Millbrae Youth Scholarship Program.

Quilt size: 46" by 47"

Enter and see the quilt in person at the new Millbrae Recreation Center!

You may enter online at [bit.ly/milrec](http://bit.ly/milrec) or by calling 650-259-2361.