



**GENERAL MANAGER'S MONTHLY UPDATE
TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON ISSUES AND PROJECTS
AUGUST 2026**

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM: MATHEW FUZIE, GENERAL MANAGER

The information contained in this report is intended to help keep the Board of Directors informed on current projects and study issues. Reported below is the most current and available information. Since work on these items is ongoing, the information is subject to rapid change. If a project or issue has not changed from the previous month's report, the information provided may be the same as was previously reported. Please note that some projects are not directed at or managed by LARPD, but they are included below as informational only.

GENERAL SUMMATION

Summer sessions are winding down. Family Swim Passes have proven to be a big success as well as a welcome community service. Summer Swim Team was also a huge success as were all the camps offered for youth. It is nice to see a community participating in all of our offerings.

Camp Shelly has presented operational challenges due to staffing requirements and regulatory changes that have increased costs beyond expectations. With the Camp Shelly lease expiring in 2030, discussions regarding renewal with the U.S. Forest Service should begin soon, as the federal process can take several years.

A draft of the Master Plan is expected later this month, with the planning process anticipated to be completed this fall.

Trails Update: No update at this time.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

In July, Board Members attended two regular board meeting, a Public Meeting in the Park at Jack Williams Park, and four standing committee meetings. They also participated in LARPD's Independence Day Dash 5K and Kids Run, attended a free E-Bike Education Course presented by the Livermore Police Department, and took part in meetings of the Alameda County Agricultural Subcommittee on Trails and LARPD Foundation.

Board actions for the month included:

- Resolution No. 2846: Supporting the improvements to the Las Colinas Trail – a portion of the Arroyo Las Positas Trail T6 – and Agreeing to maintain the trail when completed.
- Resolution No. 2847: Supporting the improvements to the South Livermore Valley Trail T10 and Agreeing to own and maintain the trail when completed.
- Resolution No. 2848: Supporting the improvements to the Arroyo Road Trail T13 and Agreeing to own and maintain the trail when completed.
- Resolution No. 2849: Supporting the Springtown Community Park Improvements and Agreeing to maintain and operate the park upon project completion and Board acceptance.

- Resolution No. 2450: Supporting the improvements to the Alan Frank Community Meeting Room at the Livermore Railroad Depot and Agreeing to maintain, operate, and manage room reservations upon project completion.
- Consent Agenda: Approved the Engagement with Renne Public Management Group for General Manager Performance Evaluation Services.

Upcoming Board Schedule: (All meeting locations are held at 4444 East Avenue, Livermore, unless otherwise noted.)

- a. Finance Committee Meeting: August 10, 2026, 3:00 p.m., West Conference Room
- b. Personnel Committee Meeting: August 10, 2026, 2:00 p.m., West Conference Room
- c. Program Committee Meeting: August 12, 2026 at 3:00 p.m., West Conference Room
- d. Regular Board Meeting: August 12, 2026 at 5:00 p.m., Sycamore Room
- e. Public Meeting in the Park: August 19, 2026 at 6:00 p.m., Ernie Rodrigues Sports Field
- f. Facilities Committee Meeting: August 25, 2026 at 11:00 a.m., West Conference Room
- g. Regular Board Meeting: August 26, 2026 at 5:00 p.m., Sycamore Room

HUMAN RESOURCES

Recruiting: Youth Services continues to expand staffing, including teacher positions, with additional hiring underway in Aquatics, Parks, and Recreation.

Projects: Chelynn Watkins is leading LARPD's review of its health and wellness plan broker relationships to improve efficiency, alignment, and cost savings. She is also evaluating Board member benefits in response to a recent Board request.

UKG Transition: The District has completed its transition from CLEAR to UKG for applicant tracking. Amber Maugeri led the cutover effort, further consolidating human resources processes within UKG. The CLEAR contract concluded at the end of July, and additional UKG training and learning opportunities will continue into the fall.

FINANCE

Cal Card Automation: The Cal Card automation process is underway. An email was sent to cardholders containing instructions for setting up their online accounts. Once all accounts are established, Finance staff will configure workflow approvals and default accounting codes in preparation for electronic receipt uploads, online expense coding, and digital transaction approvals. This new process will significantly improve the efficiency of Cal Card administration. Board members will not need to set up online accounts and will continue submitting receipts as they do today, with Finance staff processing their transactions electronically.

Fixed Assets Implementation: Finance staff have begun the process of implementing the Fixed Assets module in the District's Business Central accounting system. Rather than using a consultant as originally planned, staff plan to complete the implementation internally, resulting in cost savings. Once the system is configured, all District assets will be loaded into the module, followed by a reconciliation to ensure total asset values agree with the audited financial statements.

FY25-26 Preliminary Financials: Staff are currently finalizing the FY25–26 preliminary financial results and are awaiting several significant year-end revenue and expense items, including the District's large Teeter property tax distribution, which is expected in August. Once these items have been received, staff

will provide a preliminary estimate of the District's year-end financial position. Final results will be confirmed upon completion of the annual audit.

COMMUNITY SERVICES & RECREATION

Senior Services:

This month's Movie Madness featured "Remarkably Bright Creatures" and "Soul on Fire."

On July 10, 16 participants enjoyed the Mystery Movie at the Vine, featuring Disclosure Day, followed by happy hour at Stampede Grill.

On July 30, 52 seniors enjoyed Great Balls of Fire at Sierra Rep Theatre, followed by lunch in downtown Sonora.

At the July crafting social, 24 guests painted smooth rocks donated by Cochran's Landscaping Materials.

On July 17, 55 participants enjoyed "Hot Dogs and Music on the Lawn" at Ravenswood Historic Site, featuring lawn games, docent tours, live music by former General Manager Tim Barry & the BLT Trio, and food donated by community partner Linden Senior Living.

For the month of July, a total of 220 adult/seniors registered for classes and programs.

Recreation

Summer Camps have been very popular this summer. June saw a total of 552 participants in LARPD programs, and July looks to surpass that number, bringing in over 430 children in the first 3 weeks. The last two weeks of camp will be a crowd favorite, revisiting Dodgeball week and wrapping up summer with Water week.

Along with Summer Day Camps, LARPD offers LEGO and Splash camps, as well as Adaptive recreation camps in the afternoons for a wide variety of experiences for all children.

Third-party contract camps continue to bring the people into the community center. Some of the more popular camps have been Mad Science and Challenge Island, both featuring STEM activities and creative outlets for children to explore.

Volunteers have been very impactful all summer, receiving glowing reviews from Coordinators and Staff. The month of July saw more than 96 volunteers who contributed over 1784 hours. Volunteers help camps run smoothly, setting up fields and games for campers all while engaging with the children.

Community Outreach

Community Outreach: Staff hosted the 3rd Annual Independence Day Dash on July 3, which sold out for the second consecutive year with 400 participants. The event was a success, with a portion of the proceeds benefiting the LARPD Foundation. This year's event was made possible through the support of sponsors Sunrise Mountain Sports and Grocery Outlet.

Community Outreach Coordinator Andrea McGovern led production of the Fall Activity Guide, featuring 460 classes and programs for the community. The guide went live at www.larpd.org/guide on Wednesday, July 29, with resident registration opening Wednesday, August 5. The team also distributed two press releases highlighting the extension of the summer recreation swim season through September and the opening of fall registration.



3rd Annual Independence Day Dash held on Friday, July 3rd

LARPD Foundation: The LARPD Foundation participated in Alden Lane's Art Under the Oaks event on July 18–19, with proceeds benefiting the Foundation. The Foundation also received preliminary results from the 5th Annual Wine Down in the Grove, which raised more than \$58,000 to support its mission of improving quality of life throughout the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District through advocacy, collaboration, and financial assistance, with a focus on expanding recreation opportunities for underserved community members and enhancing parks and open space.



Parks, Recreation, and Trails Master Plan Update: Staff continued incorporating Board feedback and coordination with the City of Livermore throughout July to further align LARPD's Master Plan with the City of Livermore General Plan 2045. Staff anticipates presenting a revised draft of the Master Plan to the LARPD Board of Directors at the August 26 Board Meeting.

Senior Meal Program: As part of LARPD's ongoing senior nutrition partnership, Open Heart Kitchen served 519 meals to 50 seniors in June.

Upcoming Events:

- 8/1 – Community Resource Fair with the Tri-Valley Nonprofit Alliance
- 8/2 – Night Hike with a Ranger
- 8/4 – Sensory Splash Swim Night
- 8/4 – Tween Book Club with LARPD and the Livermore Public Library
- 8/7 – Kids Night Out
- 8/8 – Dive-In Movie Night
- 8/8 – Patterson Ranch Trail Hike
- 8/9 – Ice Cream Social at Ravenswood Historic Site
- 8/14 – Adult Volleyball Drop-In
- 8/19 – Board Meeting in the Park at Ernie Rodrigues Memorial Park
- 8/22 – Introduction to Pickleball
- 8/25 – E-Bike Education Course with the Livermore Police Department

For all upcoming events and details, please visit www.larpd.org/events.

Sports Facility Rentals

- **Fusion, West Coast, and LJFL** have begun practicing on the fields and will begin games in August.
- Space is provided for **lacrosse clinics**, and reservations have been made to host soccer State Cup events in November and February.

- The **LARPD Community Soccer League** is preparing for the season opener on August 22 by finalizing coach clearances and team rosters. Nearly 250 players are registered for the season. A new field-painting robot has also been purchased, allowing LARPD to stripe all soccer fields and parking lots in Livermore beginning this fall.

Information Technology

This month, management of Information Technology (IT) transitioned to **Amber Maugeri, the new Business Systems Supervisor**. Initial efforts are focused on evaluating current enterprise applications, optimizing vendor workflows, and mapping out upcoming software training for District staff. Moving forward, this role will centralize technology procurement, oversee the outsourced IT vendor's service delivery, and develop a comprehensive technology roadmap to align network security and infrastructure modernization with overall District operations.

Open Space



Programs/Events:

- **July saw Summer Nature Camp's highest enrollment.** Since registration opened, there has been incredible interest in the Nocturnal Night Life themed week. Summer Nature Camp staff worked hard to accommodate increased numbers this week with enrollment from the waitlist while still maintaining small group ratios.
- **Twigs Summer Nature Camp for 4-year-olds**, which was piloted in summer 2025, ran 3 week-long sessions in July at max capacity.
- **Destination Sierra & Destination Shelly:** Interpreters Christine Cardosi & Eric Whiteside were up in the mountains again this month for two weeks of sleep away camps for teens & tweens.
- Open Space staff supported the **Independence Day Dash** again this year at Sycamore Grove Park.
- **Sycamore Grove Park and Open Space staff welcomed Adaptive Recreation Campers and their families for one day of fun in the pond.** Rangers Ginger Gonzalez and Seth Eddings taught campers about the wonderful wildlife found in our creeks before wading into the Arroyo Del Valle to see them up close.
- Open Space staff continued to show up at **community events and partnerships** during the month of July, including:
 - Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority Wheels' Anniversary at Livermore Transit Center
 - City of Livermore's Family Friendly 4th at Livermore Airport
 - Beat the Heat Hike with Livermore Public Library
 - Storytime with a Ranger at Rincon Public Library

Park Updates/Natural Resource Management:

- **Open Space staff have prioritized summer blooming invasive removal at Sycamore Grove Park and Holdener Park**, including very aggressive yellow starthistle, alkali Russian thistle, and stinkwort.
- **Chevron** has removed the erosion control SWPPP material along Kingfisher Crossing from the summer 2025 pipeline project. Impacted trails have been returned to their original routes.

Volunteers:

- **Open Space Projects for Teens** were run by Rangers Ian Rider and Ginger Gonzalez. July projects included an introduction to Sycamore Grove's natural history, invasive species identification, widening of overgrown horse crossing trails, and removal of aggressive summer invasives great mullein and yellow starthistle in the park's waterways.
- **Summer Nature Camp volunteers** continue to be an integral part of camp operations. Many volunteers were campers themselves, and we hope that many will apply next year to work as counselors.

Staff Updates & Development:

- **Mid-summer hires have rounded out staffing:** Park Aide Kate Rider at Sycamore Grove Park and Park Aide Erin Christ at Camp Shelly.

Upcoming:

- **Destination Shelly Community Camp:** Interpreter Eric will be back up for one final week at Camp Shelly for the first family-oriented community camp during the second weekend in August.
- **Summer Nature Camp will run its eighth and final session** during the first week in August.
- **Return of School Year Youth Programs** Sprouts (ages 2-3) & Junior Rangers (ages 7-12), starting August 17. New program Roving Rangers (ages 12-16) targeting older homeschool kids will start August 24.

Aquatics

Lap Swim: 76 pass holders made 414 visits and sold 777 drop-in units.

Water Exercise: 33 pass holders made 150 visits and sold 243 drop-in units.

Adult Water Polo: 13 pass holders made 42 visits and sold 58 drop-in units.

Rec Swim: 4410 drop-in swimmers

Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELOP) Entries: 233 swimmers

ESS Rec Swim: 295 participants

Tot Time Monday-Thursday 10a-12p: 541 participants

Hot Nights M-W-F 6p-8p: 395 participants

Family Pool Pass: 108 total sold, 1848 pool entries

July 4 Pool Party: 667 Livermore residents, 122 non-residents

Dive-in Movie at the Pool July 11: 87 total registrations

Eels: LARPD hosted the Valley Swim League Champs Meet, July 18. Eels finished the season 2nd overall.

Facility Rentals & Operations

This month, staff worked with community groups to host the TVNPA's Community Health, Resource & Volunteer Fair, bringing together nonprofit groups to connect residents with local resources. Staff also hosted the Ice Cream Social event at Ravenswood Historic Site and a meet-and-greet event for the new LVJUSD Superintendent, Dr. Anthony Limoges.

PARKS, FACILITIES, and MAINTENANCE

Parks

During this month, park staff continued focusing on improving safety and maintaining the overall condition of parks and trails. Maintenance efforts included tree trimming, safety pruning, and trail maintenance to address vegetation growth, improve visibility, and reduce potential hazards along the trail system. These efforts help maintain safe, accessible, and enjoyable areas for the community.

Tree maintenance continued throughout the park system. A fallen tree was removed at Ernie Rodrigues Sports Field, with four additional trees identified for removal. Staff also addressed broken tree limbs at Independence Park to improve public safety.



Staff completed fire protection system improvements by replacing and installing a new fire backflow assembly at RLCC. In addition, staff repaired the backflow system at Sycamore Grove to ensure reliable irrigation and water system operation.

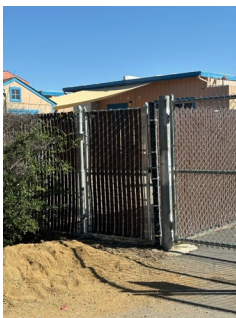
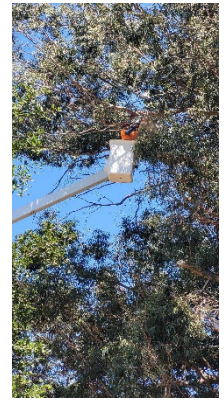


Trails Maintenance: A contractor was utilized at Murrieta Meadows Trail to perform safety trimming of tall tree branches that were beyond staff's reach, improving trail clearance and reducing potential safety hazards.

Sports Field Maintenance: Sports field staff focused on field renovations, which included installing new sod, repairing high-wear areas, and preparing fields to provide safe, high-quality playing conditions for various sports fields. Sports fields also helped prepare for Max Baer LLIWS.

Facilities

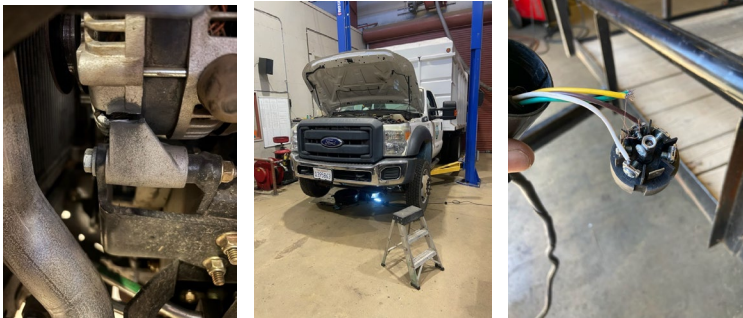
Facilities staff completed several maintenance and improvement projects throughout the month, including replacing tiles at the RLCC Activity Pool, continuing pest control services, repairing and installing a new bike pump at Sycamore Grove Park, and adding an entry gate at Altamont Creek ESS. Additional work included rebuilding park signage, replacing the playground screen at May Nissen Preschool, and replacing insulation and ceiling tiles at Christensen Preschool. Facilities also continued ordering and organizing cleaning supplies for youth services locations.



Maintenance

- Broken Alternators on all "144" inch sports field mowers
- Repaired wiring and welded lift ramp. Trailer #4
- Serviced Chipper Truck. V35
- Performed major service and replaced mower blades. E096
- Installed Receiver Hitch on vehicle 27BQ4N

Total equipment serviced/repaired: 32 pieces of various types.



Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Mathew Fuzie'.

Mathew Fuzie
General Manager

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