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## EXCITING PLANS AHEAD



*The Treganza Park Fountain in its current state.*

**T**he City of Lemon Grove is excited to announce a new redesign project that will breathe life into the central area of Treganza Park!

The park fountain, which has been broken for several years, is set for a redesign kicking off in 2026. In an effort to best serve our residents, community workshops will be held to gather feedback and guide the development of a concept plan.

CR Associates, a San Diego based design consulting firm, will address all aspects of the project to include conceptual layout plans, site design, and construction layout plans.

In preparation for the undertaking of the project, the City invites residents to share their input on design alternatives. Upon final selection, colored renderings will be made available via the City's website.

Treganza Park is primed for a much-needed transformation that will enhance its appeal and functionality for years to come. With community input guiding the design process, the park's revitalization will reflect the needs and desires of local residents, guaranteeing a space that truly serves the community.

**Please Join us at the Lemon Grove Community Church to share your thoughts.**

3122 Main Street

April 23, 2025 @ 5:00p.m.

—or—

May 7, 2025 @ 5:00p.m.

Check out the official webpage for updates as this project unfolds at  
<https://buff.ly/mHEd73>



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# EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CENTER



**MELVETTA OWENS**  
**DIRECTOR**  
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CENTER

A new era of early childhood education has arrived in Lemon Grove. The Early Childhood Education Center (ECEC) is setting the standard for Pre-Kindergarten learning, offering an unique approach that prioritizes indoor and outdoor learning experiences.

At the core of the ECEC is its commitment to outdoor exploration and connection with nature. The facility features a series of “neighborhoods” designed for young learners. These neighborhood spaces foster safe, independent learning and play, allowing children to engage with their environment in a purposeful way. The design encourages exploration and hands-on experiences, offering a multifaceted approach to early education.



I am excited for the children who will step through these doors, the families who will find support and connection here, and the educators who will make a difference every day. This is just the beginning of something truly special.

— Melvetta Owens, ECEC Director

The ECEC features customizable classrooms that can support a variety of teaching styles. This flexibility ensures that the center can adapt to meet the evolving needs of educators and learners alike. The facility also houses a library, a central multipurpose room, and dedicated administrative spaces, all designed to promote a smooth, interactive educational experience for children and staff.

The Early Childhood Education Center sets a solid foundation for the future of education, blending nature, flexibility, and community, providing a nurturing environment for young minds to grow and thrive.

ONLINE REGISTRATION IS

**OPEN!**

[WWW.LEMONGROVESD.NET](http://WWW.LEMONGROVESD.NET)



## CHECK IT: AB 413



As of January 1, 2025, California's "Daylighting" law prohibits parking within 20 feet of any crosswalk, marked or unmarked. This law applies to all intersections in the state, including Lemon Grove.

### How does this law improve safety?

The law aims to improve traffic safety and save lives by making crosswalks more visible for drivers and pedestrians. This also makes it easier for drivers to see people crossing the street.

### How does this law apply in Lemon Grove?

The law applies to all curbs, whether there is a red curb or no parking signage at the intersection. Vehicles stored longer than 72 hours without being moved at least one tenth of a mile are subject to being cited or towed. Deputies are set to inform prior to enforcing.

### What's the law's official name?

The law's official name is Assembly Bill 413 (AB 413)

Learn more here:

<https://buff.ly/kQclC6g>

## THE BLUE ENVELOPE PROGRAM



The San Diego County Sheriff's Department, the San Diego County Board of Supervisors, and the San Diego County Chiefs of Police and Sheriff Association, along with community advocacy groups, developed the San Diego Blue Envelope Program to assist with safe

and successful community interactions. The Blue Envelope Program provides individuals with blue envelopes and/or wearable products with the program logo which allow the individual to identify themselves to law enforcement as having a condition or disability which may impact communication or require additional accommodation or awareness during an interaction.

The logo offers the opportunity for the law enforcement officer to be aware that varied communication methods may be needed to effectively communicate with the person displaying the logo, or that the individual may have medical conditions which may require an accommodation. The goal of this program is to encourage positive and effective interactions between law enforcement and the public.

## HOW IT WORKS

The Blue Envelope Program works by allowing an individual to readily display the Blue Envelope logo or present a Blue Envelope upon contact with law enforcement or other community service personnel. The Blue Envelope-branded products can contain the individual's identification, contact information or pertinent vehicle operating documents such as the vehicle registration and proof of insurance.

The Blue Envelope Program does not have a registry component; therefore, the program is voluntary and self-implemented.

### MORE INFORMATION





# UPCOMING CITY EVENTS

**ARBOR DAY**  
APRIL 25, 2025

**PAWS IN THE PARK**  
MAY 31, 2025

**CONCERTS IN THE PARK**  
JUNE 26, 2025

[LEMONGROVE.CA.GOV/PARKS-EVENTS/](http://LEMONGROVE.CA.GOV/PARKS-EVENTS/)

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE  
**FREE DISPOSAL**

MAY 3  
JUNE 14  
JULY 26  
SEPTEMBER 20  
OCTOBER 18  
DECEMBER 6

[LEMONGROVE.CA.GOV/LIVING-IN-LEMON-GROVE/TRASH-RECYCLING/](http://LEMONGROVE.CA.GOV/LIVING-IN-LEMON-GROVE/TRASH-RECYCLING/)


CITY OF LEMON GROVE

## SUMMER DAY CAMP 2025

**Ages: 5-14 Year**

Monday-Friday 6:30am-6:00pm  
June 16-August 8, 2025  
CLOSED 4TH OF JULY  
3131 School Lane, Lemon Grove CA 91945

**Registration Fee**  
\$95 Per Week  
\$85 Sibling Discount  
\$80 3-DAY  
Accepting CDA & YMCA  
NO-REFUNDS



**WEEK #1-4 FIELD TRIPS**

Wk #1 (6/18): Petting Zoo  
Wk #2 (6/25): Roller Skating  
Wk #3 (7/2): Mad Science  
Wk #4 (7/9): Sky Zone

**WEEK #5-8 FIELD TRIPS**

Wk #5 (6/18): San Diego Zoo  
Wk #6 (6/25): Movie  
Wk #7 (7/2): Padres Game  
Wk #8 (7/9): RecChella

All field trips are on Wednesdays, and campers must attend Monday or Tuesday to qualify. Each field trip will have a specific drop-off time for Wednesday.

Registration: [www.lemongrove.ca.gov](http://www.lemongrove.ca.gov)

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City Council meetings are the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month