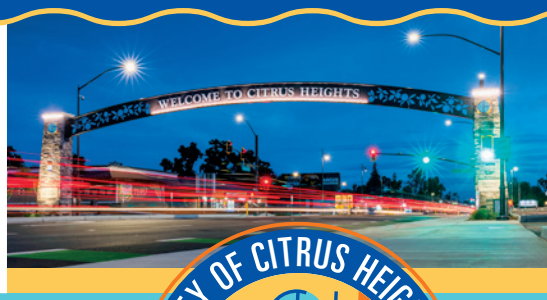
CITRUS HEIGHTS
Solid roots. New growth.

YEAR IN REVIEW

JANUARY 2026 – NOVEMBER 2026







The City of Citrus Heights is proud to present a month-by-month look back at our 2026 accomplishments! This Year in Review flyer features the milestones that shaped our community, showcasing public safety, infrastructure, community engagement, and economic growth achievements. Take a look at some of the highlights from the last year.

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JANUARY

- Celebrated Neighborhood Area Awareness Month, recognizing local leaders who strengthen neighborhood connections.
- Helped keep pets safe through an Animal Services microchip and licensing event.
- Modernized City network infrastructure to strengthen security, improve reliability and standardize technology.
- Earned Government Financial Officers Association's Certificates of Achievement for FY 2023–24 Annual Comprehensive Financial and Popular Annual Financial Reports.
- Allocated nearly $350,000 in state housing funds for essential health and safety repairs for low-income homeowners.
- Reported a shift in resident sentiment on blight management from unfavorable to favorable in just three years.

FEBRUARY

- Established the Youth Advisory Commission to bring young residents' perspectives into City decisions.
- Adopted the Commercial Property Reoccupancy Ordinance to address vacant-property blight and keep commercial spaces safe.
- Awarded $20,000 to the Citrus Heights Veterans Memorial Project to advance a permanent Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

MARCH

- Announced the Sunrise Sports Complex partnership with The Mettle Shop and Tallen Capital Partners, advancing a catalyst project for Sunrise Mall redevelopment.
- Earned Tree City USA recognition for the 8th consecutive year.
- Partnered with Sacramento County to begin resurfacing Madison Avenue from San Juan Avenue to Fair Oaks Boulevard.
- Held community workshop on the Gateway Activation Project to inform transportation improvements along Old Auburn Road.
- Launched the Entrepreneurship and Food Enterprise Resource, connecting entrepreneurs with shared commercial kitchens and regional food business incubator programs.

APRIL

- Hosted 25 local high school students for the first Youth in Government Day.
- Mobilized Earth Day volunteers to clean and beautify public spaces.
- Published the Starting a Business in Citrus Heights guide, giving entrepreneurs practical steps for opening a business.
- Collected 115 pounds of unused medications during National Drug Takeback Day.
- Honored outstanding community volunteers through the Chip-In Hall of Fame Awards and Volunteer Recognition event.
- Adopted 33 strategic objectives to advance priorities during the annual City Council Strategic Planning work session.
- Launched the "Postcards from Citrus Heights" photo contest to showcase the community's urban forest.

MAY

- Connected attendees with participating organizations at Tools of the Trade, showcasing public works services and careers.
- Earned a California Association for Local Economic Development award for the 2025 – 2027 Economic Development Work Plan.
- Hosted the first community bike ride on the Arcade-Cripple Creek Trail in celebration of Bike Month.
- Honored fallen officers during National Police Week.
- Sponsored Big Day of Service and mobilized volunteers for 16 community improvement projects throughout Citrus Heights.
- Approved environmental review for the Gateway Activation Project, advancing improvement plans along Old Auburn Road.

JUNE

- Celebrated 20 years of service by the Citrus Heights Police Dept.
- Welcomed six families into new Habitat for Humanity homes.
- Launched the City Scoop summer series at Tempo Park, connecting residents with City staff in their neighborhoods.
- Adopted a balanced FY 2026–27 amended budget, aligning $47.1 million in General Fund revenue with $47.0 million in expenditures and maintaining $4 million annually for street improvements.
- Held a community meeting to share plans and gather feedback on the Arcade-Cripple Creek Trail extension.
- Opened Home Repair Loan Program applications to help eligible homeowners complete essential repairs.
- Partnered with Citrus Heights Arts to complete a City Hall mural celebrating local heritage and America's 250th anniversary.
- Hosted 6,000+ attendees at the Stars & Stripes Celebration.

JULY

- Completed the final resurfacing layer on Antelope Road to improve ride quality.
- Reached a property agreement milestone for the Sunrise Sports Complex, advancing the proposed redevelopment of approximately 13 acres at Sunrise Mall.
- Approved environmental review for the Arcade-Cripple Creek Trail extension from Sylvan Road to Stock Ranch Nature Preserve.
- Launched OneReport, providing 24-hour online reporting for qualifying non-emergency incidents in more than 20 languages.
- Expanded the Love Local campaign, offering free social media marketing support to increase visibility for small businesses.
- Established a Chamber membership scholarship for first-time Citrus Heights business members.
- Nominated three eligible census tracts for Opportunity Zone designation to encourage private investment and revitalization.

AUGUST

- Connected police personnel, city staff and neighbors at 14 National Night Out gatherings.
- Celebrated completion of Auburn Boulevard Complete Streets Phase 2, improving the corridor for businesses and people walking, biking and driving.
- Hosted the first of two Citrus Nights concerts, bringing residents together for live music.
- Hosted a Community Workshop to gather input on the proposed Arcade-Cripple Creek Trail Mariposa Extension.
- Police Department partnered with Citrus Heights Chamber of Commerce to launch Business Watch program, hosting two informational meetings to strengthen business safety partnerships.

SEPTEMBER

- Hosted the second Citrus Nights concert of the season.
- Completed safety improvements on Butternut Dr. and Roseville Rd.
- Launched the Blue Envelope Project to help people with disabilities communicate their needs to police and emergency responders.
- Substantially completed the 2025 Road Resurfacing Project, improving 198 segments primarily in residential neighborhoods.
- Released the FY 2026–27 Budget in Brief, making City finances and investment priorities easier for residents to understand.
- Awarded a construction contract for improvements at 7555 Old Auburn Road to support expanded access to low-cost spay/neuter clinic services.

OCTOBER

- Reported a 42% reduction in homeless and blight related calls for service over the past two years.
- Mobilized volunteers for the Fall Chip-In Day community cleanup.
- Hosted Intl. Council of Shopping Centers event, showcasing Sunrise Tomorrow to retailers, brokers, property owners, developers and investors.
- Secured a $3.5 million System Preservation Grant for future resurfacing of Auburn Boulevard from Manzanita Avenue to Sylvan Corners and Greenback Lane from Dewey Drive to Birdcage Street.
- Earned the Sacramento Valley American Planning Association's Award of Merit in the Planning Agency category.
- Awarded $150,000 in Community Support Funding to local nonprofits.
- Launched the Business Check-In Survey to identify business needs and inform City support.
- Hosted the Police Activities League's Trunk or Treat, bringing families and police personnel together for Halloween fun.
- Awarded the first construction contract for the 2026 and 2027 Road Resurfacing Projects.

METRIC ACHIEVEMENTS JANUARY 2026 – OCTOBER 2026

INFRASTRUCTURE + MAINTENANCE

- **214** neighborhood safety improvements installed
- **84.408 linear ft.** of storm pipe cleaned
- **2,337** trees serviced and maintained
- **47** acres of open space and creek corridors maintained
- **55** tons of trash removed citywide
- **842** abandoned shopping carts retrieved
- **669,559** sq. yards of street resurfacing completed
- **314,184** square feet of mill & fill and pothole repairs completed
- **6,456** Service Requests processed (29% through SeeClickFix app)

PUBLIC SAFETY

- **65,700** calls for service answered
- **2,314** arrests conducted
- **2,346** traffic citations issued
- **5** chronic nuisance enforcement cases filed

ECONOMIC & DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

- **742** new businesses welcomed
- **28 ADU** permits issued
- **3,200+** building permits issued
- **4,603** building plan reviews processed
- **Awarded 4** Business of Distinction recognitions to local businesses

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- **13** major community events hosted
- Block Party Trailer deployed **8 times**
- **37,000** citywide mailers distributed
- **615** social media posts shared
- **27** newsletters + newsflashes released
- **15** City Council meetings with over 92 agenda items posted (Jan-Sept)
- **Hosted 3** field trips of local students to City Hall







