#### City Manager Report to The Mayor and City Council March 16, 2022

# Economic Development Passenger Flights Coming to SB Airport!



The San Bernardino Int'l Airport and Breeze Airlines announced the first passenger flights ever at the airport.

Daily nonstop flights from SBD to SFO Begin August 4, 2022 Begin August 4, 2022 Bernardino and San Francisco will offer local, low-cost air travel to the bay area.

This announcement is a major milestone for San Bernardino Airport and the region.

### **Public Works**

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Bridge Project Back Underway

After a lengthy delay caused by Southern California Edison, work on the 2<sup>nd</sup> street bridge (between Arrowhead and Sierra Way) resumed on March 9.

The project had been delayed since June 2021 in order to allow SCE to



install temporary electrical lines that bypassed the bridge, as well as winter stormwater flow in Warm Creek to subside.

The \$2.8 Million project is expected to be completed in May or June.

## Public Works (cont.)

#### Graffiti Deterrence Program Launched

Public Works has launched a pilot project to install murals and decorative art on heavily tagged walls and utility cabinets.

The muralist, a local volunteer, used to tag when he was younger but has turned to a new life. These types of designs tend to be respected and taggers leave them alone.

If successful, this design could save the City about \$2,000 per year in supplies and labor costs from regularly repainting that wall.









# Police

#### **Drug Arrests and Seizures**

On March 3<sup>,</sup> San Bernardino Police narcotics officers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle suspected of bringing a large quantity of narcotics to the City.

Officers found approximately 30lbs of meth inside a container. The value of the narcotics is estimated at approximately \$90,000. The driver of the vehicle was arrested on multiple felony charges.



On March 11, San Bernardino Police narcotics officers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle suspected of bringing a large quantity of fentanyl to the City.

During a search of the vehicle, officers located approximately 25,000 fentanyl pills concealed inside the vehicle. The driver was arrested on multiple felony charges.



### Police (cont.)

#### **Commercial Vehicle Enforcement**

On March 9, officers from San Bernardin PD, Colton PD, and Rialto PD, collaborated and conducted an enforcement operation in the Foothill Boulevard and Meridian Avenue area of San Bernardino. The operation was directed at commercial vehicle enforcement and vehicle blight in the surrounding neighborhoods. The operation statistics are below.

Vehicle Checks = 112 Pedestrian Checks = 11 Enforcement Stops = 72 Parking Citations = 105 Driving Citations = 59 Vehicle Impounds = 66 Misdemeanor Arrests = 15 Misdemeanor Warrants = 1 Probation Violation = 1



# ArtsFest Returns This Weekend to Downtown San Bernardino!

After a two year hiatus, ArtsFest returns to downtown San Bernardino on Saturday, March 19 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm for a day of fun and food at Court Street Square, located on Court Street between D Street and E Street.

This year's ArtsFest will feature musical performances, dancers, theatrical performances, local artists, and food vendors showcasing some of the best in San Bernardino. Performers and artists from local K-12 schools, SBVC and CSUSB will also be participating.

City Library staff will be hosting a coloring craft and game booth in addition to promoting their programs and activities.







### **Animal Services**

#### **Get Your Pet Microchipped**

This month, Animal Services was able to reunite two pets who had been separated from their original owners for over four years, thanks to microchipping.

Bentley (top), was reunited with his family on March 11 after missing for four years. Ember (bottom), was reunited with his family on March 9 after missing for five years.

This serves as a reminder to get your pet microchipped for easy identification. Animal Services currently is microchipping pets for only \$25.





### **News and Notes**

#### March is Women's History Month

Feldheym Central Library has curated displays in both the adult and young adult section celebrating Women's History Month and featuring relevant books that can be checked out by Library patrons.







#### San Bernardino HR Goes Digital

A digital billboard on the 10 Freeway at Waterman Avenue is now posting available jobs for the City of San Bernardino.

Human Resources is now providing content to the billboard owner, who is required to post free public service announcements.