

PARKS&COMMUNITY SERVICES

December 2025

# SSARING

MORENO VALLEY SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER 25075 Fir Ave. Moreno Valley, CA | Mon. - Fri. 8 am - 5 pm | Closed Sat. & Sun.

Save The Featured Event: Senior Center to Host Holiday Craft Fair on December 18

**Date** 



## Senior Center will be closed December 24th & 25th

#### Your Center

Activities are held at the Moreno Valley Senior Community Center, except where noted. All active senior citizens age 50+ years who do not require care or adult supervision are encouraged to become members.

Membership is FREE.





The Senior Center is excited to announce its upcoming Holiday Craft Fair, taking place on <a href="December 5 from 9:00 am to 12:00pm">December 5 from 9:00 am to 12:00pm</a> Senior Center members are invited to join in a cheerful morning of shopping, socializing, and seasonal celebration.

This annual event showcases the creativity and talent of local seniors, who have spent time preparing a wide variety of crafts. Visitors can expect to find unique holiday gifts, including knitted items, ornaments, home décor, jewelry and other one-of-a-kind treasures made with care.

The Holiday Craft Fair is not only a wonderful opportunity to support local artisans—it also brings together our seniors.

Mark your calendar! The Senior Center's Holiday Craft Fair promises to be a joyful morning filled with creativity, community, and holiday cheer.

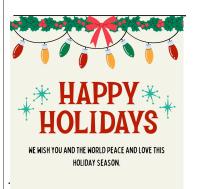




Sign-Up to enjoy your lunch with a birthday treat. Sponsored by Alpha Care

December 18 @11:30am Details at front desk

Must be a member to participate in all events/ activities and classes. In-person preregistration required for most events.



Senior Soaring sponsored by

M D R E N D V A L L E Y



#### Answers are at front desk.



- 1. What goes up and down but doesn't move?
- 2. If you're running in a race and you pass the person in second place, what place are you in?
- 3. It belongs to you, but other people use it more than you do. What is it?
- 4. I follow you all the time and copy your every move, but you can't touch me or catch me. What am I?
- 5. David's parents have three sons: Snap, Crackle, and what's the name of the third son?
- 6. a man calls his dog from the opposite side of the river. The dog crosses the river without getting wet, and without using a bridge or boat. How?

#### Christmas

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CANDY CANES TREE **JOLLY** JACK FROST **GINGERBREAD** SNOWFLAKE CRACKERS MANGER CHRISTMAS MERRY FRIENDS DECORATIONS NATIVITY SANTA CLAUS GIFTS **FAMILY** ANGEL

#### Volunteers Wanted

#### classschedule

Volunteers are needed | Class instructors | Event setup/cleanup 1 hour to a few days a week. Inquire at the Front Desk

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdavs	Thursdays	Fridavs
8-9am Exercise with George	9-10am Fit After 50	8-9am Exercise with George	9-11:30am Weight Loss	8am-4:30pm Quilting
9:15-10am Rockin Chair Exercise	9-10 Beginner Spanish	8am-12pm Crochet	$\mathcal{C}$	8:30-10:15am Soul Line
9:15-10:15am Soul Line Dancing	10:10-11:10am Intermediate	9am-12pm Greeting Card	9am-12:30pm Art Club	Dancing
10-11:30 amESL Class(English)	Spanish	Creations	1	10am-11am Poemas y
10:30-11:30am Inner Fitness	10-11:30am Creative Writing	9:15-10:15am Soul Line Dancing		Reflexiones del Corazon
10:30-11:15am Darcel's Solid Gold	10:30-11:15am Zumba	10:30-11:30am Ballet Folklorico		10:30-11:45am Silver Age
Dance Workout	12:30-2:00pm Jewelry Design	12-4pm Quilting	1:40-4:10pm Guitar	Yoga
12-1pm Tai Chi	12:45-2:15pm R&B Git Fit	12:30-4:30pm Bid Whist	1	1-4:30pm Bid Whist
1-3pm Crafty Experience	1-4pm Bunco	1-3pm Bingo		1:30-3:30pm Line Dancing
1-4:30pm Bid Whist	2:30-4pm Line Dancing			
1:30-3:30pm Line Dancing	Calling in advance is suggest	ed. Class times and days are		

subject to change or be canceled because of scheduled event.

#### SeniorMeal lunch 11:30am-12:30pm

#### Program Eligibility

- •Must be 60+ years old
- •Intake form completed annually
- •\$3 Donation suggested. No participant will be refused a meal if they do not donate.
- Under 60 years MUST pay \$9.75
- Contact Family Service Association with questions at 951.342.3057.



Program has moved to Moreno Valley
Conference & Recreation Center
14075 Frederick St | Moreno Valley,
Ca. 92553 951.413.3280

Meal box distribution

November 13 | 9am - 11am

December 11 | 9am - 11am

#### **GATE OPEN AT 8:00AM**

All participants bring Identification For more information please call 951-359-4757

#### **Moval Senior Scribes**



Celebrating Day of the Dead Gabriela Rosales

It is tradition in our family to celebrate "Dia de los Muertos" is the day that we believe that our family members that have passed away come to visit.

I must admit that when I was very young and living with my grandmother, this was a very frighting experience for me. We had to go to the cemetery at night to take flowers and do the Rosary, then at home she would set up the altar between our bedrooms. During the night I would hear her talking and do some praying, when I asked her about it, she said it was because she had to welcome the spirits that came through, I asked her to please tell them not to visit or talk to me because this scared me.

If you had the opportunity to watch the movie "Coco" you might be a little familiar with this tradition.

Day of the Dead originated in Mexico but now is celebrated in many places around the world. This tradition is over 3000 years and is considered a Holiday that celebrate and honors the life of those who have left us.

We start to set up our altar (shrine) on October 27, which is dedicated to the memory of lost pets, we placed pictures of them and offered their favorite toy and snacks.

On November 1st is the Angelitos which means little angels that passed, this refers to children, welcoming them with a cup of milk, candy and a little toy, then we continue with our adults family members on November 2nd, we displayed their pictures and the ofrendas which would be their favorite food plate/drink/snacks or any other item that they may be remembered by.

We also add a couple of glasses of water, so they will not go thirsty on their journey and lots of candles, to light up their path and they are able to find their way and go back safely. We surround the altar with flowers, white ones for the little ones and any other favorites of them and of course we can't forget the Marygold know in Spanish as cempasuchil flower to blighting up the altar, then the candles, incense, pan de Muerto and skulls made of sugar.

Now is the only time of the year that I am not afraid of the dead, because I understand that they just come to visit and their intention is not to scare people, they just don't want to be forgotten.

### **frequently** used Telephone Numbers

ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES		HOUSING	
Riv. County Adult Protective Svcs.	800.491.7123	Telacu Villa	951.486.9842
Dept. of Consumer Affairs Dept. Public Social Services	800.952.5210 800.344.8477	25105 Fir Ave. <b>Eucalyptus Towers</b> 24169 Eucalyptus Ave.	951.653.2324
Office on Aging	(877) 932-4100	Perris Isle 12960 Perris Blvd.	951.924.4070
		Community Connect Section 8	951.686.4402 951.351.0700
CAREGIVER SUPPORT  Destiny Care  Sensible Senior Care	800.353.2994 951.926.4304	5555 Arlington Ave., Riv. Integrated Care PW Enhancement Center	951.243.3837 951.956.4026
DISABLED / VETERAN SERVICES	3	LEGAL ASSISTANCE 60+	1.800.977.4257
Braille Institute American Cancer Society VA Loma Linda Healthcare	760.321.1111 800.ACS.2345 800.741.8387	NUTRITION SERVICES Family Services Association Home Bound	951.342.3057 951.653.8109
Friends of Moreno Valley Senior Center Membership \$10 year Meets 3rd Thursday of the month @1:30pm	951-413-3430	TRANSPORTATION  Medical Transportation  MoVan Shuttle	951.486.4380 833.745.8454
HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGAN	NZATIONS	RTA Dial A Ride RTA	800.795.7887 951.565.5002
HICAP (Health Insurance Humana	909.256.8369 951.216.0891	TRIP Program	800.510.2020
Kaiser Permanente SBHIS	619.952.0806	VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	
SCAN	951.452.2905 951.505.3341	Moreno Valley Senior Center	951.413.3430
United Healthcare	951.501.9290	Looking for skilled instructors to teach	active seniors 50+

#### **Tip Of The Month For Seniors**

A key tip for November is Fall Prevention, as it's National Fall Prevention Month and winter weather increases the risk. To prevent falls, stay warm by dressing in layers and ensuring your home is well-lit, especially pathways and stairs.

Other important November tips include maintaining your social connections through holiday gatherings, staying physically and mentally active, and being mindful of your health during the busy holiday season.

#### **Senior**Community

Center Staff

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