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Welcome to MCE Clean Energy!

What is MCE?

- MCE is a not-for-profit, public power agency.
- MCE is buying and building a cleaner electricity supply for you. PG&E continues to handle electric delivery, maintain power lines, handle power outages, read your meter, and send your monthly bill.



Why the change?

- The Benicia City Council voted to join MCE to bring Benicians a choice of energy providers. The City Council made this choice after a robust public process. Starting in 2012-present, there have been over 15 public meetings on this subject.
- Read more about the City's vote to join MCE in the [Benicia Herald](#)

MCE Benefits for You & Benicia:

- MCE gives Benicia a choice in where their electricity comes from and how much they pay for it.
- MCE reinvests in communities by providing low and stable rates, fostering local renewable development projects, and expanding energy efficiency programs.
- MCE has reduced 59,421 tons of Greenhouse gases, saved customers over \$5.9 million in 2014, contributed to the construction of 193 Megawatts of new California Renewable energy, and supported more than 2,400 California jobs.

Your Electricity Choices:

- **NO ACTION NEEDED:** MCE's Light Green 50% renewable energy - least expensive option, \$1.44 less per month than PG&E for the typical home (service starts this month).
- **ACTION NEEDED:** MCE's Deep Green 100% renewable energy - costs about \$3.18 more per month than PG&E for the typical home. To enroll call 1.888.632.3674 or go online www.mceCleanEnergy.org/100-renewable.
- **ACTION NEEDED:** PG&E's 22% renewable energy - costs about \$1.44 more per month than MCE's Light Green for the typical home. To opt out call 1.888.632.3674 or go online www.mceCleanEnergy.org/opt-out.



Holiday Closure

Benicia City Offices, the Benicia Community Center and the Benicia Public Library will be closed **Monday, May 25** in observance of Memorial Day.

Requests for emergency water and sewer service may be made at the Benicia Police Department, 200 East L Street or 707.745.3411.



The Benicia Historical Society will host the Benicia Memorial Day Ceremony on Monday at 10:00 AM at the Benicia Military Cemetery off of Hospital Road. You are invited to honor those who served at the ceremony featuring a military fly-over, color guard, guest speakers, music rifle salute, wreath-laying ceremony and much

When to make your choice:

- You can switch between MCE's Light Green 50% renewable energy and MCE's Deep Green 100% renewable energy at any time.
- You can opt out of MCE at any time. If you opt out after 60 days of service with MCE there is a one-time administrative fee (\$5 residential and \$25 commercial), PG&E will not allow you to return to MCE for one year and will be subject to PG&E's terms and conditions of service (www.mceCleanEnergy.org/terms). Your opt out request must be received five business days prior to your account meter read date (look at the top of your bill) in order to switch service to PG&E before your next billing cycle begins. Your account will be transferred to PG&E on your meter read date and cannot be transferred during a billing cycle.

Still have questions?:

- www.mceCleanEnergy.org/Benicia
- 1(888) 632-3674

- *Community Development*

Annual Citywide Green Waste and Weed Abatement Clean-up

The Benicia Fire Department and Republic Services are hosting the annual Citywide Green Waste and Weed Abatement Clean-up Program. This free annual program is for Benicia residents who need to clear their property of weeds and other vegetation. Only green waste/vegetation will be accepted at this event (excluding palm fronds). Tree branch cuttings shall be limited to 4-inches in diameter.

The spring clean-up event is at the Benicia Corporation Yard, 2400 East Second Street, on **Saturday and Sunday May 16 and 17** from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Proof of residency will be required in order to gain entry.



This event is open to Benicia residents only, and is intended for use by homeowners. No commercial dumping will be allowed. If you have any questions regarding this program, please contact the Benicia Fire Department during business hours at 707.746.7275. - *Fire Department*

Prescription Drug Take Back Saturday

more. This is an opportunity to see this hidden gem.

To find your way there by GPS, enter 735 Buchanan Street, Benicia to get close to the gate. - *Economic Development*

Water Conservation Target Set at 28%

Benicia must reduce its residential customer water consumption by 28% compared to 2013, according to the mandatory water use reduction targets adopted by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB). The cuts apply to all California urban water suppliers, who are classified into tiers based on per capita water consumption with reduction targets for each agency ranging from 8% to 36% depending on the residential daily water use per person. Other Solano County cities have required cuts ranging from 16% for Vallejo to 36% for Rio Vista.

Benicia reported average water use of 144 gallons per person per day, during the summer of 2014, which placed it in the tier requiring 28% cuts. "Benicia has a pretty high percentage of single-family homes with yards when compared to San Francisco with many multi-family homes with small yards. Benicia also has a warmer and windier climate that dries out landscaping," said Public Works Director Graham Wadsworth, "so we have a higher percentage of outdoor water use and therefore a higher target to reach." The per capita water use only includes treated drinking water, and does not include industrial use of untreated water by the Valero Oil Refinery.

City staff submitted revised numbers that average 105 gallons per person per day, but SWRCB staff will not review the numbers and tiers until June. If the revised numbers are approved, then the

On **Saturday, May 16** from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM, the Benicia Police Department is sponsoring another Prescription Drug Take Back event. The event provides an opportunity to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs. Citizens can bring their medications for disposal to the Benicia Police Department's front lobby at 200 East L Street; a department representative will provide assistance. The service is free. Simply take your pill medications out of the bottles and put them in a zip lock plastic bag. Liquids can stay in their original containers but remove your prescription labels.

Medication waste is defined as items intended for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease in humans or animals. Medication waste is synonymous with drug waste, pharmaceutical waste, unused or expired medication, unused or expired drugs, prescription and over-the-counter human drugs, veterinary drugs, diagnostic agents and nutritional supplements. No sharps will be accepted.

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. Studies show that a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including from home medicine cabinets. The usual methods for disposing of unused medicines—flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash—both pose potential safety and health hazards.

IMPROVE THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF THOSE WHO LIVE AND WORK HERE

Don't throw Expired or Unused Drugs in the Garbage or Down a Toilet...

PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE-BACK DAY
Saturday, May 16, 2015
9:00am - 3:00pm

All Solano County residents may drop-off at any one of the participating law enforcement agencies below:

- Benicia Police Department**
200 East L St. / (707) 746-4268
- Solano County Sheriff Coroner's Office**
520 Clay St., Fairfield / (707) 784-7500
- Vacaville Police Department**
660 Merchant St. / (707) 469-4707

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS are medication waste defined as items intended for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease in humans or animals. Medication waste is synonymous with drug waste, pharmaceutical waste, unused or expired medication, unused or expired drugs, prescription and over the counter human drugs, veterinary drugs, diagnostic agents and nutritional supplements.

REMEMBER...
 Seal all pills and liquids.
 Remove personal information.
 No Sharps!

<http://Recycle.SolanoCounty.com>

ENSURE RESPONSIBLE AND SUSTAINABLE LAND USE

MANTAINING A SAFE COMMUNITY - INVEST IN AND FOR THE FUTURE

NORTH BAY HEALTHCARE

"This is an important public service the Police Department provides to the community," Benicia Police Chief Erik Upson said. "It's been our experience that often family, and friends unknowingly provide prescription medications to other individuals who either use the medications themselves or provide it to other people, often minors. This proactive program provides those with unused prescription medications a safe and legal way to dispose of them. We want as many people as possible to take advantage of this opportunity."

For further information contact Lt. Mike Greene at mgreene@benicia.org or call 707.746.4268. - *Police Department*

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reduction target would be 20%, instead of 28%.

The mandatory reduction is not added to the voluntary reduction in 2014. If the average reduction by all residential water customers is less than the mandatory reduction, then the water rate payers could be subject to paying \$10,000 per day through increased water bills.



Last year, Benicia issued a call for water conservation, added a drought surcharge to water bills, offered water savings rebates, and imposed mandatory restrictions on outdoor water use. These measures succeeded in reducing 2014 water use by 21% compared with the previous year. "Reaching the 28% target will be a stretch," according to water conservation representative Dave Wenslawski, "but our efforts last year have put us in a good position, and I think Benicia can do it". According to Wenslawski, Benicia's water use in January through March 2015 was down by 24.9% from the same three months in 2013.

Benicia's outdoor water restrictions allow watering only 3 days per week during the spring and summer, with spray irrigation only allowed at night between 7:00 PM and 8:00 AM. "We'll have to wait and see what the Water Board's final regulations say", said Wadsworth, "before deciding on what additional conservation measures might be necessary."

More information will follow when available. - *Public Works*

The City of Benicia has joined Nextdoor.com, the free private social network that allows users to connect with people who live in their neighborhood. The City will use Nextdoor as another way to share information including crime prevention, safety, public events, and emergency notifications with our citizens.

Currently, there are 22 neighborhoods in Benicia with 1439 (and growing) active users. Users can be assured that their Nextdoor website remains private. City of Benicia staff will NOT be able to see any of the content on your neighborhood website except for the direct replies to our posts.

Remember, Nextdoor is not the appropriate way to request emergency services, police services, report criminal or suspicious activity, file reports, etc. If you require emergency services, or wish to report suspicious activity, please call 911.



My staff and I look forward to connecting with you on Nextdoor to build stronger, safer neighborhoods throughout Benicia. - *City Manager*

Benicia One of 50 Safest Cities in California



SafeWise released its "50 Safest Cities in California" report this week. To compile this report, SafeWise used the most recent FBI crime data from 2013 to analyze and rank these cities, which all have a minimum population of 10,000 people. [Click here](#) to see the full list.

"When we explored recent FBI Crime Report data, we were impressed to discover that 42 of the 50 safest cities on our list reported no murders," SafeWise security analyst Alexia Chianis said. "We also found that the average violent crime rate of California's safest places to call home was 70 percent less than the typical American community experiences, and its property crime rate was nearly 60 percent less than the national average. Those are some really impressive numbers!"

About SafeWise

SafeWise is a community-focused security organization committed to increasing safety education, awareness, and preparedness. - *City Manager*

2015 State Capital Explorer Competition

The 3rd annual State Capital Explorer Competition was held May 1-3 at the California Highway Patrol Academy in West Sacramento. The competition was designed to be very demanding on the physical and mental capabilities of each Explorer. Events tested the strengths and limitations of the Explorer's intelligence, personality, demeanor and physical abilities. Explorers were given the opportunity to test their skills in real life situations, which included Felony Stops, DUI Investigations, Building Searches, Domestic Violence Investigations, Active Shooter, etc.



Benicia Police Explorers participated in every event and did very well. Explorers attending were Madeline Schaag, Michael Oreja, Kolton Adams, and Bobby Adams along with Advisors: Officer Jeff Harris, Officer MarJonne Roberson, and Sgt. James Laughter. - *Police Department*



Cadet Schaag takes a suspect into custody

PG&E in Your Neighborhood?

The City of Benicia has been informed that PG&E will have crews in Benicia in the coming weeks to check residential gas meters for atmospheric corrosion. They have had incidents in the past where residents feel that this might be a scam and called the police department. All contractors and PG&E employees will have proper identification on them as they are taking pictures of the meters. You can verify their presence in your neighborhood by calling their customer service line at 1.800.PGE.5000 or City of Benicia's [Alex Porteshawver](#) at 707.746.4276. - *City Manager's Office*



Quick Facts

- Routine safety inspection and photos of your gas meter
- You do not need to be home for our inspection
- We need easy access to your gas meter
- There will be no interruption in gas service
- This is part of PG&E's gas system maintenance program

What we are doing

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) runs an extensive inspection and maintenance program to ensure safe operation of our natural gas system and gas service to your home.

As part of our gas system maintenance program, we perform regular gas meter inspections to look for corrosion (rust). If we identify a meter with corrosion, we will repair and/or replace the meter as necessary.

What to expect

- During inspections, you may see our PG&E employee or contractor on or near your property to access your meter. Our work will not affect your gas service.
- We will visually inspect your gas meter and meter components to verify and identify possible areas of corrosion. We will use a mobile tablet to take photos of the meter ID, piping and the entire meter set.
- If we cannot easily access your meter, we will use a mobile tablet to take photos of the access issue. We will follow up with you to schedule an appointment for access.
- You will receive additional notice if we need to make any repairs or schedule a follow up inspection.

Our inspection crew

PG&E employees and contractors will be on foot with a mobile tablet to conduct these inspections. They will be in safety gear and carry photo identification, which they will be happy to present upon your request. You can verify their presence in your neighborhood by calling our customer service line at 1-800-PGE-5000.

Work Hours

We will conduct meter inspections from February to November 2015. Our inspections will occur **Monday through Saturday, 7:00 am to 5:00 pm**. We will schedule an appointment if your meter is inaccessible at the time of our inspection.

Access to your meter

We need easy access to your gas meter, but you do not need to be home. If we are unable to access your meter, we will contact you to arrange for access to inspect your meter at a later date.

For more information

Please visit pge.com/gas for more information about our gas safety programs.

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Fire Department Monthly Report



The Benicia Fire Department monthly report for April 2015 is now available. It contains information about Emergency Operations, Training, and Prevention. [Click here](#) to read more. - *Fire Department*



Personnel News

City Staff Participates in Charity Fashion Show

The 70's Fashion, Staying Alive! was the theme of the luncheon and fashion show presented by Christina S Fashion Destination (owned by Council Member Christina Strawbridge). The event was held at the Clocktower on Wednesday, April 22 and provided a great way to celebrate Administrative Professional's Day.



The 240 people in attendance were treated to fashions modeled by City of Benicia staff and local talent. Models shown in the photo (left to right) are Mayor Elizabeth Patterson, Community Development Director Christina Ratliffe, Principal Planner Amy Million, Library Director Diane Smikahl, Management Analyst Gina Eleccion, City Attorney Heather McLaughlin, Finance Director Karin Schnaider, and City Clerk Kate Gibbs. Not shown were Council Member Alan Schwartzman, City Manager Brad Kilger, Assistant City Manager Anne Cardwell, and Senior HR Analyst Kim Imboden. Musical performances by Chloe Jean and accompaniment by Kevin Frazier rounded out the entertainment.

City Staff provided additional support of the event by buying tickets to fill three tables and celebrate our Administrative Professionals. Proceeds from the event benefit the Benicia Community Action Council and the Senior Meals Program. - *City Manager's Office*

Swearing In Ceremony

The Benicia Police Department invites you to



the swearing-in ceremony for the new Benicia Police Chief Erik M. Upson:

Tuesday, May 19
9:30 AM
Council Chambers
City Hall, 250 East L Street



There will be a reception immediately following. For more information, please contact Administrative Secretary [Kelly Botello](#) at 707.746.4265. - *Police Department*

Help Wanted

The City of Benicia is recruiting for the position of **Assistant Public Works Director**. The deadline to apply is **Friday, May 22**. [Click here](#) to view the brochure or email jobs@averyassoc.net for more information. - *Human Resources*



The Human Resources Department is accepting applications for the following positions:

- [Recreation Leader II/Recreation Specialist \(Baseball Camp\)](#), part-time, closing May 15
- [Police Officer - Lateral \(Currently Working\)](#), full-time, open continuously
- [Police Officer - Academy / Non-Lateral](#), full-time, open continuously

To apply, the application and supplemental forms can be filed online at: <http://agency.governmentjobs.com/benicia/default.cfm>. City of Benicia employment applications may also be obtained from and must be returned to the Human Resources Department at 250 East L Street, Benicia.

These job opportunities are open to any current City of Benicia employees (full or part time) as well as the general public. If you know of someone who may be interested in applying, please let them know. - *Human Resources*

Happy Trails

Building Inspector Jim Arruda recently retired after 32 years of service with the City of Benicia. Jim began his career with the City of Benicia as a Maintenance Worker I working his way through the ranks until he was promoted to his final position as Building Inspector in 2001. Jim's wit and institutional knowledge will be greatly missed. He plans to work part-time and enjoy his family. - *Community Development*



Jim Arruda with Mayor Patterson

Rehabilitation Project- I-680 Between Fairfield and Benicia

Overnight Intermittent Ramp and Lane Closures Tentatively Start Week of May 11



Caltrans has started preliminary work on the Interstate 680 (I-680) Rehabilitation Project in Solano County, and is scheduled to start major construction the week of **May 11**. The project will rehabilitate and repave approximately 13-miles of northbound and southbound I-680 between Fairfield and Benicia.

I-680 is a heavily traveled route between the Bay Area and Sacramento.

Major construction activities are tentatively scheduled to start the week of May 11 and be completed as early as spring 2016.

Although no full highway closures are scheduled at this time, drivers may experience delays as crews work to repave I-680 with intermittent overnight alternating ramp and lane closures in effect during construction. Regular project construction hours will be between 8:00 PM and 6:00 AM. All work is weather permitting.

Caltrans will make an announcement once additional project information is available.

Watch for their project webpage coming soon to the Caltrans website: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist4/> or follow Caltrans on Twitter:

<http://twitter.com/CaltransD4>

Caltrans appreciates your patience as we work to improve California's highways. Please #BeWorkZoneAlert - *Public Works*

Update from Public Works

Maintenance:

The Farmers Market opened on Thursday, April 30 and the City of Benicia's Public Works Maintenance personnel began the weekly placement of street closure barricades for the protection of all pedestrians attending the Market. The orange and white closure barricades, previously filled with water are now filled with sand, weighing several hundred pounds each, when interlocked multiply their strength many times over. Maintenance staff received site-specific forklift training from a Safety Center representative on April 28 to ensure safety measures during the weekly placement and removal after the event. For the next six-months, the Public Works division will be placing the safety devices in the roadway by 2:45 PM each Thursday and returning at 8:30 PM to begin reopening the street. Motorists can expect the street closure each Thursday at First & D Streets and at First & B Streets.



Water Quality:

Laboratory Technician II Allison Connor preparing to perform Hardness analysis, which help water treatment plant operators to verify that processes are working properly.



Tiny test fathead minnow larvae seen in relation to a penny, are used for monthly bioassay test to show that Wastewater Treatment Plant effluent is safe for fish.



Public Outreach:

Senior Citizen Water Discount-

On July 1, 2013, the former senior citizen water discount on City of Benicia water bills transitioned to the low-income senior discount. To qualify for the new low-income senior discount, residents must be at least 60 years of age and currently receiving PG&E's CARE discount. You need to re-apply every 2 years to receive the low-income senior discount. If you are presently receiving the "phase-out the senior rate" on your water bill and do not qualify for the low-income senior discount, then you do not need to re-apply. You will continue to receive the phase out of the discount until January 1, 2017.

Water and Sewer funds are "Enterprise Funds" which means they are managed as individual businesses and the revenues come from fees charged to users. The Enterprise Funds are different from the "General Fund" which is

the City's main operating fund that is funded by general revenues (e.g. sales tax, property tax, utility users' tax). Proposition 218 prohibits water and sewer enterprise funds (funded by water and sewer ratepayers) from continuing to subsidize the discount offered to seniors age 60 and older. Proposition 218 prohibits providing a lower cost to one specific customer class that is subsidized through higher charges to other customers.



To qualify, please come to the Finance Office at City Hall, 250 East L Street, Benicia, CA from **May 11 - June 30** between 8:30 AM -5:00 PM.

Please bring with you:

- A recent PG&E bill that shows your enrollment in the CARE Program (this is mandatory to qualify)
- California's driver's license or State Identification card that substantiates your name, age and address
- A recent City Utility (Water) bill (if you have one)

For more information, contact the Finance Department at 707.746.4225. - *Public Works*

National Child Abuse Prevention Month

April was National Child Abuse Prevention Month. The Benicia Police Department Family Resource Center sponsored a table at the Benicia Public Library offering citizens information about the various forms child abuse can take. They provided informative pamphlets and handouts with pertinent data for our community. - *Police Department*



Library News

Authors at the Library

On **Wednesday, May 27** at 7:00 PM, the Benicia Public Library is holding a fantastic event. Mystery writer Anne Perry will be there with Victoria Zackheim to discuss the Library's One Book, One Community selection "Faith". They will also talk about writing, book tours, taking risks and pushing themselves creatively. If you are a mystery book reader, you won't want to miss this event.

BENICIA PUBLIC LIBRARY PRESENTS

**Anne Perry and
Victoria Zackheim**
Authors

**Wednesday, May 27
7:00 p.m.**



**Authors Victoria Zackheim and Anne Perry
will be talking about “One Book, One
Community” book “Faith” and about writing,
book tours, taking risks and pushing
themselves creatively**

This will be a fantastic event



Benicia Public Library
150 East L Street, Benicia, CA 94510, 707-746-4343
www.benicialibrary.org

Services for People with Print Disabilities

California's Library Services for People with Print Disabilities, in association with the Library of Congress, provides free Braille and audio books, magazines and playback equipment to all eligible Californians unable to read standard print. Follow the link <http://pd.library.ca.gov> to find your local braille and talking book library and sign up for free library service, or access the link through www.BeniciaLibrary.org or <http://www.benicialibrary.org/ebooks/disabled>.



New Library Website

The format of the Benicia Public Library's website has changed (but not the address: www.benicialibrary.org). Take time to look around and let them know if you need help!

The new website is now ADA compliant and mobile friendly. New features include pages grouped in more intuitive locations with the ability to mouse over menus to see similar pages and a new search box that allows searching the Library's catalog or the Library website.

Note: To get to your account, click on Library Collection or mouse over Library Collection and click Catalog and Accounts.



Spring Concert

The Diablo Regional Concert Band will perform their Spring Concert on **Friday, June 5** at 7:30 PM at the Benicia Public Library. The concert is free. - Library

Did you know...Library Statistics for April

- Total April visitors: 19,250
- Record day of visitors on April 1st with 918 visitors
- April Internet Sessions: 3238
- April Wireless Internet Sessions: 1,706
- April Benicia Public Library Facebook views: 893

Gallery Exhibition

The photography of Solano Community College students will be on display **May 18-June 11** in the Marilyn Citron O'Rourke Art Gallery at the Benicia Public Library. Admission is free. -*Library*



Award Winning Waterfront Plan

The Benicia Urban Waterfront Enhancement and Master Plan has been selected by the American Planning Association California Northern Chapter for an Award of Merit in the category of Comprehensive Plan - Small Jurisdiction.



The Plan, which was adopted by the Benicia City Council in October 2014, is intended to improve and enhance the existing First Street Green at the foot of First Street, incorporate Bay Trail access and park amenities such as observation platforms, plazas, pathways, seating areas, public art, and interpretive signage. The plan process was a success thanks to the contributions of many, including broad public participation in the two community workshops, extensive contributions from a Community Advisory Committee with representatives from eleven commissions and organizations, an exceptional consulting team lead by PlaceWorks, and an interdepartmental City staff team.

Staff are currently working on securing funding for the next phase of the project, detailed design and engineering of the plan. [Click here](#) for more information on the plan. - *Parks & Community Services*



Host Lodging Needed for Tula Student

The Tula/Benicia Sister City Organization is still looking for a family with teenagers to host a visitor from our Sister City as part of their summer youth program. On June 20, three teenagers from Tula, Hidalgo, Mexico (our Sister City) will arrive in Benicia for a two-week





visit. When they return on July 5, two Benicia teenagers will go back with them and stay until July 20.

The local organization is looking for a host for one of the students from **June 20 - July 5**. They have plenty of drivers but are lacking beds. If you or someone you know can host a student or would like more information on the Benicia/Tula Sister City Program, please contact [Betsy Radtke](#), BTSCA Youth Program at 707.746.5420. - *City Manager's Office*

Family Resource Center Open House

The Benicia Police Department Family Resource Center (FRC) recently celebrated their first Open House. 30 people attended and found out about all the services they offer.

They celebrated their partnerships with local churches, Sears, City of Benicia employees (police, dispatchers, fire, city workers etc.), Carquinez Strait Stitchers, Soroptomists of Benicia, Sol Trans, Children's Network, First Five, Families in Transition, Community Action Council, St. Vincent de Paul, Kaiser Permanente, HEAP, Rotary Club of Benicia, Benicia Youth Action Coalition, Solano County, Catholic Charities, among others.

FRC and its partner organizations work together to address immediate needs, such as rent or utility assistance, and to identify unmet needs. - *Police Department*



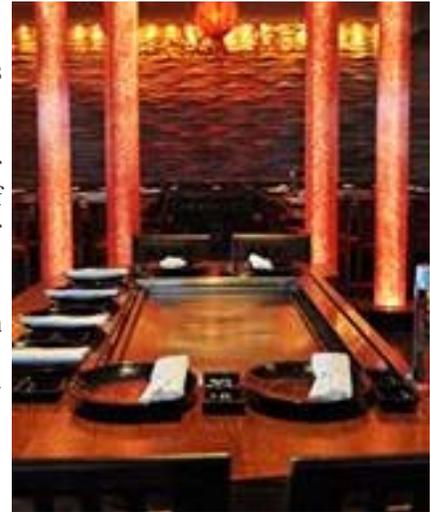
Kimono Restaurant Opens



Guess what opens in Benicia this weekend? Kimono Restaurant!

Try the steak, seafood or sushi at their new teppanyaki restaurant right off I-780 on East 2nd Street in the former home of Pappas Restaurant.

Make reservations thru Open Table on their website:
www.KimonoRestaurants.com.
Economic Development



Contact Info

Email your questions or comments to City Manager Brad Kilger at edev@ci.benicia.ca.us. For additional information on any of the items in this report, please contact one of the following departments:

[City Manager/Human Resources/I.T./City Clerk](#): 707.746.4200

[City Attorney](#): 707.746.4216

[Community Development](#): 707.746.4280

[Economic Development](#): 707.746.4202

[Finance Department](#): 707.746.4225

[Fire Department](#): 707.746.4275

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