

NOTABLE NEWS

Week Ending in September 17, 2026

The Notable News was established in 2022 as an informal report compiled for the City Manager, efficiently summarizing key updates and accomplishments from various departments to be shared with City Council and City staff. It is not intended to serve as a comprehensive record of all staff activities or achievements and may contain typographical or formatting errors.

Administrative Services Department:

- Animal Services
 - Call Log 09/09/26-09/15/26
 - Barking Dog Complaints - 3
 - Welfare Check/Dog in Vehicle - 2
 - DOA - 36
 - Live Stray Pickup - 7
 - Bite Quarantine Release - 2
- Finance
 - The City has finalized the annual street report audit for FY 2025-26.
 - Pending State Legislation
 - Several bills affecting local government control, public safety, housing, public records, utilities, employee benefits, and other City functions are currently awaiting action by Governor Newsom. The City has submitted support or veto requests on a number of these measures and will continue monitoring them through the September 30 gubernatorial action deadline.
 - AB 113 – Upland State Budget Funding: The Legislature approved \$3.725 million in state budget funding for Upland, including \$1.2 million for Bodenhamer and Cabrillo parks, \$1 million for a Police Department mobile command center, and \$1.525 million for Upland Library renovations. The funding is included in AB 113 and will take effect unless vetoed by Governor Newsom.
 - Local Street Maintenance Cost Recovery: Governor Newsom signed SB 922, which clarifies that cities may recover street maintenance and repair costs associated with public-service use of local roads. This will allow the City's ability to recover those costs rather than shifting them to the General Fund or other local transportation resources.
- Human Resources
 - HR team had Tyler Munis training to streamline processing.
 - Part of HR team is assisting with Thursday night's Quality of Life Community meeting.
 - Risk Management assisted two departments with Certificate of Insurance (COI) information
 - HR received 1 Worker's Comp claim this week.
 - HR Staff welcomed 4 new employees:
 - Alonzo Medina - Maintenance Worker II
 - Adam Romero - Maintenance Worker I
 - Jeffrey Watson - Utility Worker I – Water
 - Carlos Delgado - Animal Services Officer
 - HR Staff opened 2 recruitments:
 - Police Cadet
 - Senior Engineer
 - HR Staff held interviews for:

- Policy and Legislative Affairs Manager - Utilities
- IT
 - Provisioned new virtual servers at City Hall and the Police Department and met with a vendor to complete initial configuration of a new security platform.
 - Installed new firewalls at City Hall and the Police Department in preparation for a high-availability upgrade.
 - Deployed and configured new virtual servers at the Police Department in preparation for the upcoming migration to the new CAD system
 - Exported badge system photos for Human Resources.
 - Met with the Police Department's Organizational Assessment consultant.
 - Tracked a missing MDC for the Police Department.
 - Provided access to security cameras to Public Works staff.
 - Helped Detectives with securing security camera footage for the Police Department.
 - Replaced and shipped/RMA of defective network equipment at City Hall.
- Library
 - The Upland Public Library's inaugural **Book-ish Fair** on September 12 was a tremendous success, welcoming 1,131 attendees for an evening dedicated to all things "book-ish." Visitors enjoyed browsing among more than 20 vendors offering a variety of literary-themed goods and experiences. Thanks to the generous support of the Friends of the Upland Library, the event became one of the Library's most popular programs to date and created an unforgettable experience.
 - Adults are invited to tap into their creative side at **Internet Made Me Do It** on Saturday, September 19 at 12 p.m. This month's project features handcrafted metal charm bookmarks, perfect for readers and crafters alike. No experience is necessary, and all supplies will be provided
 - On September 23 at 3:00 p.m. young creators ages 6-12 are invited to join us **for Creation Station**, an interactive craft program designed to spark imagination and encourage hands-on exploration.
 - Children ages 12 and under can build, create, and explore during **Block Party** on September 25 at 3:30 p.m. Featuring building blocks, construction toys, and magnetic building sets, this popular program encourages imaginative play while helping develop problem-solving, critical thinking, and teamwork skills.
 - On September 26 at 10:30 a.m. adults looking for a fun and easy creative project are invited to attend **Craft Corner**. This month, participants will learn how to make their own custom button keychain, creating a unique accessory to take home. The program is beginner-friendly, with all supplies provided, and no crafting experience required.

Development Services Department:

- During the period of time from September 10th thru September 16th, the Building & Safety Division completed 114 building inspections, issued 61 building permits, plan checked 29 sets of construction plans, and processed 11 public records requests consuming 3 hours of staff time.
- Planning Division staff reviewed 10 new zoning clearances for new businesses in the City this week.
- Planning Division staff conducted comprehensive and in-depth property research for 2 public records requests which consumed 1 hours of staff time.

- The Development Services Director and representatives from the Planning, Building and Safety, and Land Development Divisions met with a property owner to discuss permitting requirements and provide guidance on the steps necessary to bring the property into compliance following a Code Enforcement notice.
- The Development Services Director and representatives from the Planning and Housing Division met with a developer interested in pursuing an affordable housing project in the City to discuss applicable development requirements, the City's review process, and potential funding and other resources that may be available for affordable housing development.
- Land Development & Transportation issued an "After the Fact" permit to drain a residential pool on Auburn Street to avoid a code enforcement violation.
- Land Development & Transportation processed a total of 8 (eight) encroachment permits for SOCALGAS for various projects in different locations in Upland.
- Land Development & Transportation released a total of 9 (nine) parking permits for permanent, visitors, and businesses this week.
- Land Development and Transportation finalized, and submitted to the Planning Division, the conditions of approval for new Black Rock Coffee shop, located at 1369 W Foothill Boulevard.
- Land Development and Transportation approved the "As-Builts" plans for Towns on First, located at First Avenue and A Street.
- Land Development and Transportation met with Planning to discuss the improvements on 1401 E Arrow Highway.
- Land Development and Transportation met with Owners/Developers of Parcel Map 20819, Mountain Green Shopping Center, located at 233 S Mountain Avenue, to discuss plan check fees for grading and public improvement fees.
- Land Development and Transportation reviewed proposals for firms to apply for the next cycle of Highway Safety Improvement Program grants.
- Land Development and Transportation assisted multiple requests for fire flow tests for projects at various locations in the city.
- Land Development and Transportation coordinated a new water meter installation for resident on North Palm Avenue.
- The public comment period has concluded, and City staff submitted the PY 2025–26 CAPER to HUD for review and approval.
- Development Services Director and Economic Development staff attended the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC) conference on September 15th and 16th in San Diego. Staff met with a number of commercial brokers and shopping center owners located in Upland to discuss the status of their centers, new businesses they are in negotiations with as well as several companies looking to locate in the Inland Empire area.
- Development Services Director and Economic Development staff met with the Eden Garden business owners to discuss their interest in extending their lease for an additional 5-year term.
- Housing staff processed two progress payments and conducted inspections for the Emergency Repair Programs.
- Economic Development staff conducted the final inspection for the 2nd Avenue Boutique Façade Improvement Program.
- Housing staff updated the guidelines and application for the Home Improvement Program.

Police Department:

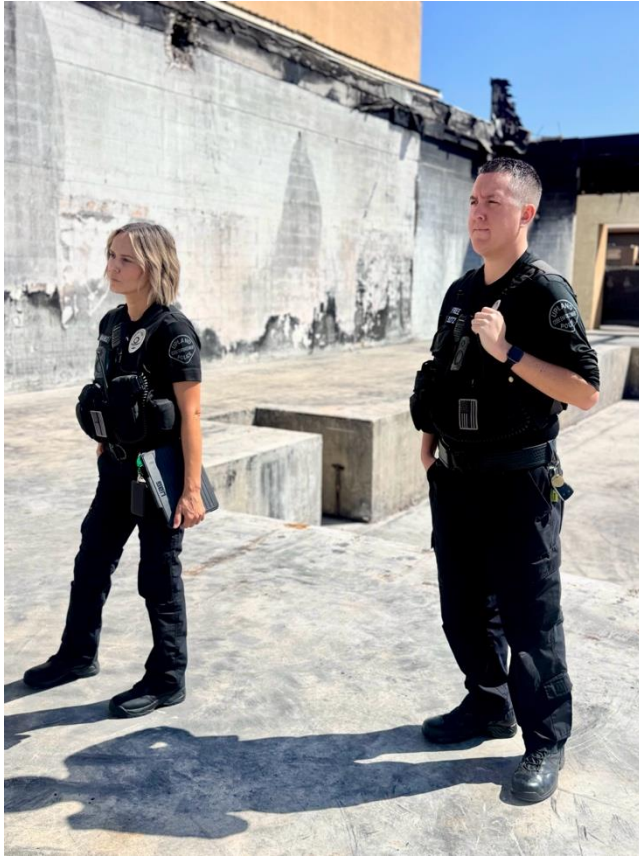
- Over the course of the last week, Upland PD Dispatch has received 552 9-1-1 calls and 1,494 non-emergency phone calls.
- The following feedback was received from community members who completed a survey after contacting the Upland Police Department for assistance. These comments reflect their experiences with the service they received:
 - The call taker was very helpful and pleasant. However, I called the business number. I did not realize that was 911. I apologize if that was the wrong number to call.
 - She was very helpful and took my concerns seriously
 - Although my emotions were heightened, she stayed calm and professional to get more information from me. Thank you Upland Police Department for your professionalism.
 - The dispatcher was professional and efficient. She captured my information and let me know what the next steps would be and what I needed to do. Thank you so much for all your help. The officers were there to assist. They were a big help. THANK YOU!!!
 - I called the police department not 911. The dispatcher had to take calls between what I told her about my incident. Requested the dispatcher to send an officer to explain the whole situation of the incident. An officer came within two hours or so since it wasn't required an immediate response. The officer was very kind and listened to my concerns. He then explained to me what I should do in reference to the incident. I was relieved and had the instructions. If I had further problems I was to call the police dept.
- Over the past week, Impact Officers have made several arrests related to drug violations, trespassing, and outstanding warrants.
- This week, our Homeless Coordinator was able to get a homeless female placed into temporary transitional housing and out of the field she was living in. This program will cover her low-income housing costs for 3-4 months until she obtains employment and takes over the payments.
- This week, our Homeless Coordinator was successful with getting an elderly homeless couple into permanent housing. The couple has been homeless for years but now have a place to call home.
- Our homeless services team also made several outreach contacts to offer services and continued working on their caseloads for other pending transitional housing placements.
- Over the past week, the Quality-of-Life Team proactively located and collected 13 abandoned shopping carts during daily patrols. The businesses the carts belonged to were contacted regarding the violation(s).
- Code Enforcement continued their efforts by getting a burned down structure near Mountain Ave and Arrow Highway into compliance. The property is now in court receivership, which will enable necessary enhancements to be made until a full rebuild takes place.
- Over the past week, our Triage Engagement Support Treatment (TEST) Team responded to several calls for service and assisted several individuals going through a mental health crisis.
- On September 10, the Detective Bureau conducted a follow-up investigation regarding a burglary that occurred on September 4th. The suspect was subsequently located and arrested on September 10. During a post-arrest interview, the suspect admitted to committing the burglary.
- On September 12, During the 2nd on 2nd downtown event an officer was patrolling the area when he saw a minibike driving through the event. Unknown to UPD at the time was that Ontario PD had pursued the minibike into the downtown area from the City of Ontario. The UPD officer then pursued the minibike from the downtown area to Grove Avenue and the Bike Path. The minibike entered the Bike Path going eastbound towards the City of Rancho Cucamonga and UPD could not follow due to barricades on the Bike Path. An Ontario air ship tracked the

minibike and responding units were able locate the minibike and its rider and the subject was taken into custody. The subject was booked at the county jail for felony evading.

- On September 14, officers were alerted to a vehicle involved in an attempted homicide in the High Desert. The vehicle was seen driving through Rancho Cucamonga, Ontario, and Upland. Officers located the vehicle in Claremont where the suspect was taken into custody, and the vehicle was seized for evidence.
- On September 14, officers were dispatched to a residence located in the 1300 block of W. Arrow Highway reference a man with a gun. Officers learned that the suspect had beaten his father and was in possession of 2 firearms. Officers contacted the suspect who was initially uncooperative but was eventually taken into custody. A search warrant was executed and two firearms were seized, including a revolver stolen from LA. The suspect was arrested for multiple felonies.
- On September 14, officers were dispatched to a residence located in the 1400 block of Francis Avenue with reference to a subject not breathing with a possible head injury. Officers arrived on scene and determined that the subject had passed some time ago. They conducted their investigation with the aid of the San Bernardino County Sheriff-Coroner's Office and deemed there were no suspicious circumstances surrounding the death.
- On September 15, officers were dispatched to a beauty supply retail business in the 1900 block of N. Campus Avenue reference a theft in progress. Officers contacted the suspect as she was loading trash bags full of merchandise (approximately \$14,000). They also learned that she had threatened the manager while attempting to steal the merchandise and damaged approximately \$10,000 in fixtures. The suspect was arrested for multiple felony charges.
- On September 15, officers were dispatched to a retail business located in the 1300 block of E. Foothill Blvd after receiving multiple calls about shots being fired. Upon arrival, officers learned that there was an altercation between several males and a transient in front of the business. There was a loud bang and one of the males was seen placing something into his pants immediately afterwards. Officers were unable to locate the transient who fled the scene along with the several males. Investigation is ongoing for additional information.
- On September 15, officers were dispatched to an apartment complex in the 1400 block of W. 7th Street reference a domestic disturbance. The suspect who was a parolee-at-large fled the complex before officers arrived on scene. However, they were able to quickly locate and arrest the suspect, who remained uncooperative with officers until the booking process was completed.
- On September 15, a Police Service Technician took a report for grand theft at a school located near Euclid Avenue and the 10 Freeway. Video surveillance showed evidence that a male working for the school's cleaning crew stole several items. When the male returned to the location to clean the school, the male was arrested for grand theft and booked at the county jail.
- On September 15, an officer initiated a traffic stop at Campus Avenue and 9th Street. The driver was arrested for having a felony warrant for domestic violence, misdemeanor warrant for D.U.I., a misdemeanor warrant for public intoxication, and for possession of cocaine.
- On September 16, officers responded to a suspicious subject in a vehicle in a mobile home park in the 1500 block of W. Arrow Route. Dispatch stated subjects from two vehicles were looking into mailboxes. Upon arrival, an officer located both vehicles exiting the mobile home park. The officer stopped one vehicle, and it was found to be a stolen vehicle with another plate on it. The second vehicle fled from the scene. Inside the stolen vehicle was mail from the mobile home park and mail from the high desert. Two suspects were arrested for possession of a stolen vehicle, and the passenger was also arrested for an outstanding warrant for unlawful use of an

access card. Shortly thereafter, officers located the second vehicle near 9th Street and Mountain Avenue, and this vehicle was found to be stolen.

- On September 16, Traffic officers responded to the area of Benson Ave and Foothill Blvd for reports of a woman on a bicycle who was hit by a vehicle. Officers arrived on scene and located the woman, who was still breathing and awake. Officers called medical personnel to the scene to treat the bicyclist and took a report for the collision.





Public Works Department:

- **PW Engineering – Capital**

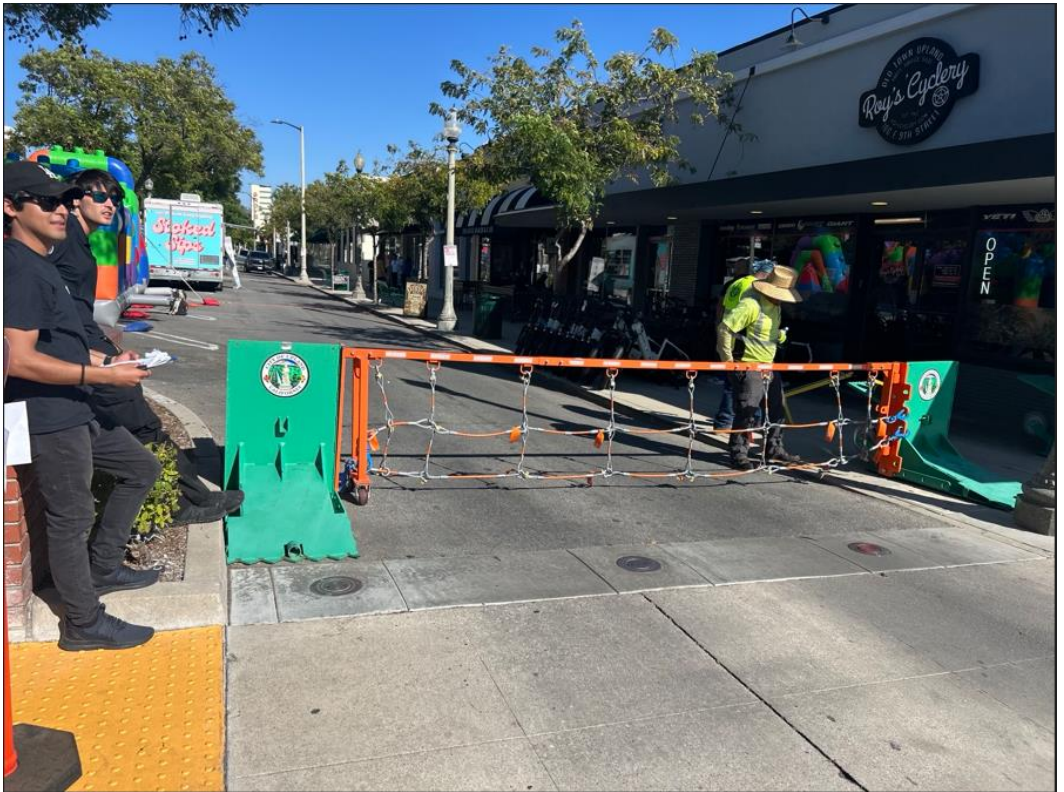
- 14th Street Rehabilitation (Campus Avenue to Grove Avenue) City received 60% design plans and provided comments back to the design team. City anticipates receiving the final design and construction documents for review in early October.
- 18th Street Rehabilitation (Mountain Avenue to Euclid Avenue) RFP for engineering surveying and design services was published on PlanetBids and the City received 11 submissions. Staff is currently reviewing all design proposals received and anticipate selecting a consultant in the next 2 weeks.
- 19th Street Rehabilitation (Mountain Avenue to Euclid Avenue) Engineering staff is working with the design consultant to prepare preliminary plans with proposed improvements. Staff anticipates receiving preliminary plans in late September.
- Downtown Public Parking Lot Improvement (SWC of Arrow Highway & 3rd Ave.) Project is scheduled for City Council consideration to award a construction contract on 9/28/26.
- Foothill Blvd. Rehabilitation (Benson Ave. to Redding Way) New 12" diameter water mainline and fire hydrant lateral improvements continue from San Antonio Avenue to Mountain Avenue. Contractor continues with paving of the 2" rubberized asphalt cap between San Antonio Avenue and Euclid Avenue.
- Landscaping crew is scheduled to mobilize upon completion of the ARHM cap paving between San Antonio Avenue and Euclid Avenue.
- Mountain Avenue Rehabilitation (20th to 23rd) Surveyor provided the topo drawings to the City. Engineering staff is beginning the design for the street improvement work.
- SCADA System Upgrade: Project implementation continues to upgrade the water SCADA control system. Contractor is continuing to install new hardware at sites throughout the City. Estimated project completion is end of October.
- Tom Thomas Magnolia Plaza: City is reviewing restoration work for the cheek walls as well as cost for restorations. Engineering staff is reviewing change order request for electrical materials as well as detailed concrete.

- **PW Operations**

- Ops removed split tree that was entangled in streetlight cables. Crews removed cracked hanging branches as a preventative measure to avoid the possibility of potential damage. Traffic control and other support was provided downtown for 3 special events that occurred over the weekend.









- Operations Standby personnel responded to 4 after hour calls, installed 4 new benches at Memorial Park inside of the rose garden, and inspected two claims submitted to the City Clerk's office.





- **Utilities**
 - Average daily water produced for the week: 18.549 Million Gallons per Day
 - San Antonio Water Treatment Plant: Offline
 - Import surface water purchased from WFA: 3.520 Million Gallons per Day
 - Ground water sources: 15.029 Million Gallons per Day
- **Recreation and Community Services**
 - 6 facility reservations scheduled for this week.
 - There are 230 registrations for the Turkey Trot 5K.

City of Upland's ROUTE 66 Centennial Celebration



- Get ready to roll with us as we celebrate the iconic Route 66!
- The City of Upland is proud to announce the Centennial Celebration of Route 66, taking place on Saturday, October 3, 2026, from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the

Upland Memorial Park. This commemorative event will honor the 100th anniversary of the iconic “Mother Road” and the memories we’ve made along the way.

You are invited to join Upland for a day full of family-friendly activities. Upland Memorial Park will be transformed into a nostalgic experience featuring:

- Performance by Cherry Bomb Revival Band
- Classic Car Display
- Kid’s Carboard Car Competition
- Family Fun Zone with bouncers, bumper cars, maze, and giveaways
- Food Trucks and Vendors
- Local Community Exhibitors
- And much more!

A special thanks to our sponsors and volunteers who create community connections. For information or to receive an application to be a Vendor, Sponsor, Car Show, Kids Competition, or Volunteer, please call (909) 981-4501 or email ErRodriguez@uplandca.gov.

○ **Gibson Gallery**

Last weeks Art Gallery was a huge success and well attended. Over 70-pieces of various art creations were showcased from the community! Thank you to Drake & John and their team for their hard work in making this such a successful event!





- **Club Fit Exercise Program**

The Gibson Senior Center offers a free weekly Club Fit Program that consist of chair exercises, stand-up strength building and muscle tones classes. These classes are video guided; pre-registration is suggested. For more information, please call (909) 981-4501.

CLUB FIT CLASSES



FREE!

PRE-REGISTRATION IS SUGGESTED.



**CLUB FIT – LOW IMPACT CHAIR EXERCISES
WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY / 9:15 AM – 9:55 AM**

**CLUB FIT PRO – STANDING EXERCISES
WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY / 10:15 AM – 10:45 AM**

**CLUB FIT – MUSCLE TONE
MONDAY & WEDNESDAY / 4 PM & 5:30 PM**

For more information,
please call (909) 981-4501.



City Manager's Office:

- The City Manager met with new employees: Animal Services Officer - Carlos Delgado, Alonzo Medina - Maintenance Worker II, Adam Romero - Maintenance Worker I, Jeffrey Watson - Utility Worker I – Water, and HR Intern - Kaylee Garcia
- The City Manager participated in the ConFire EMS regional meeting
- Public information outreach this past week included social media postings for City Council Meeting, Fall events and the fall issue of Upland Today Magazine, National Preparedness Month, Election information, Shred event and Memorial Park, and stories for Quality of Life Community Meetings.
- The City Clerk's office received 17 new public records requests this week and closed 12.

- The City Clerk administered the loyalty oath to four new employees this week.
- The City Clerk certified one proof of life certificate for a retired French citizen.