

Great Safe Neighborhoods are something we strive for at the City of Modesto. As one important pillar of our Strategic Commitment to citizens, we are changing how we serve. All of us want safe streets and security where we live. Through innovative approaches to public safety and leveraging technology, we are taking steps to make Modesto safer.

Smile, You're on Camera!

The City Council recently approved the deployment of video surveillance cameras for tagging and for the protection of our water supply. We will be deploying 32 total cameras including seven mobile "tagging" cameras to be strategically located. The City is currently finalizing our camera locations and will begin our deployment in the first part of 2016.

The camera configuration, installation, system integration and deployment will take three to four months and should be complete by the 2nd quarter of 2016. We will be using mobile cameras that can be easily moved to target areas that are frequently hit by taggers. As part of an effort to clean up our city, reduce crime and make Modesto have a safer look and feel, the installation of surveillance cameras is an important step in the right direction and many other cities are using this technology effectively. The City's code enforcement team and police department will work in tandem to discourage vandalism and catch offenders.



Let's Be Street Smart

As part of the City's Safer Neighborhoods and Safer Schools Initiative, we are working to reduce pedestrian injuries by lowering speed limits near schools and installing flashing crosswalk lights strategically throughout the City. Seven school zone speed limit reductions were made just prior to the start of the current school year, reducing traffic from 25 mph to 15 mph at the following locations: Somerset Middle School, Orchard Elementary School, Martone Elementary School, two near Mary Ann Sanders School (between Lauding Way & Kodiak Dr. as well as Litt Rd. & Fine Ave.) and two near Shackelford Elementary School (Crows Landing Rd. & Bowie Ave. as well as School Ave. & El Paso Ave.)

Flashing beacons make pedestrians more visible to drivers with crosswalks that light up at the push of a button. The City of Modesto is installing crosswalk beacons currently on Downey Avenue at I Street and recently installed another on Crows Landing Road at Amador Ave. Another was installed on Tuolumne Blvd. at Yosemite Ave. in October adjacent to Modesto High School. Modesto City Schools shared some of the cost for this project. A total of ten crosswalk conversions will be installed.

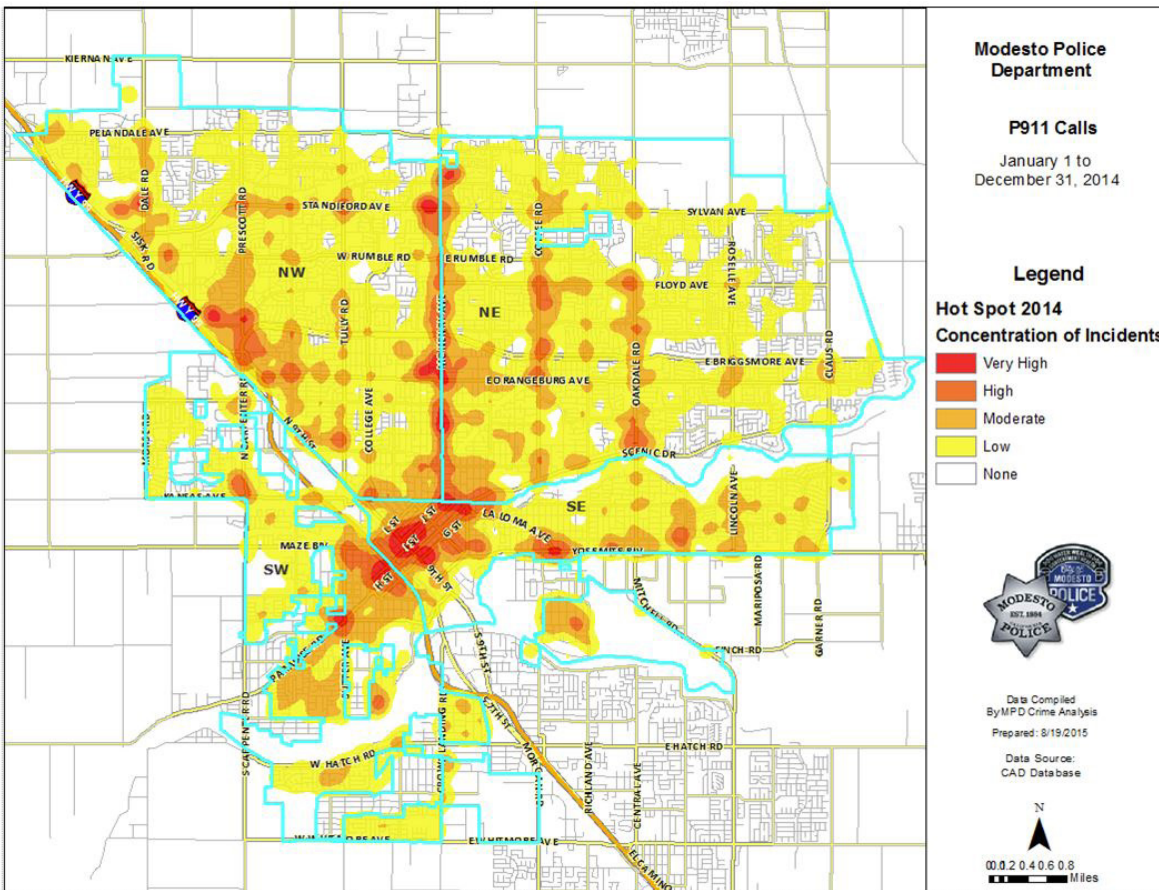


PD Employs Technology to Predict Crime Patterns

Modesto Police Department has implemented innovative police technology to help identify areas where crime is likely to occur. Officers have been using a combination of predictive policing data, along with community policing in those specific high probability areas since early 2014.

Red boxes on the map show a predicted hot spot for crime. The boxes are developed using a unique algorithm based on three simple data points: place, time and date of past crimes. The maps do not include any information about individuals or demographic groups. This program (PredPol) crunches data and produces a top-10 list for every shift and every patrol officer. Despite Modesto having fewer patrol officers than recommended nationally, this tool helps the force be proactive and work smarter by strategically placing the resources available in the areas crime is likely to occur. This technology gives local officers an opportunity to be in the area before criminal strikes instead of responding to crime after the fact. When they're not responding to calls, officers patrol the hot zones.

The Police Department also recently realigned the command areas in November. There are four command areas (Central, Northeast, Northwest and South). For more information, go to modestogov.com/mpd



Going Green with Recycling in 2016

It's so easy to go green in the City of Modesto. Modesto offers residents a variety of ways to reduce-reuse-recycle their waste items. Listed below is a summary of the garbage and recycling programs available to all Modesto residents and businesses. "Residential" garbage customers are defined as having black and green waste containers while "Commercial" garbage customers have bins.

Residential Organic Waste

Residents should fill their green organic waste containers with small prunings, grass clippings, leaves, weeds, all forms of food waste, cardboard and paper waste. Paper waste includes newspapers, magazines, phone books, junk mail, paper towels and napkins, etc. All the material is recycled into compost at the City's Compost Facility. Please, do not put plastic bags, diapers, dirt, sod, rocks, concrete, animal feces, household garbage or wood in your green container. For information on where to purchase the City's compost product, Mo-Gro-Pro please call (209) 571-5144.

Residential & Commercial Buy Back Centers

Residents can recycle their California Redemption Value (CRV) beverage containers and some scrap metal items at any of our many convenient buy back centers throughout Modesto. For a current list of locations call 1-(800)-Recycle or go to modestogov.com/prmd/recycling/buyback.asp

Residential Bulky Item Collection

Modesto residents can dispose of large household items at the curb two times per calendar year. Call your garbage company for an appointment; place the items in the street the night before the appointment. No items will be picked up without an appointment. For safety purposes, remove doors from all large appliances. Take care not to block fire hydrants, storm drains, etc. Call your garbage provider for program restrictions.

- Bertolotti Disposal: (209) 537-8000
- Gilton Solid Waste: (209) 527-3781

Residential Green Waste & Leaf Collection

Large green waste is picked up January through November from your street or alley. Green waste should be less than six feet in length and no single piece should weigh over 50 pounds. Place material 1 ½ feet from the curb or fence. *Note dirt, sod, grass clippings and concrete will not be picked up. The city is divided into four service areas; set out and pick up times depend on

City of Modesto Waste Tire Recycling Events

PROGRAM GUIDELINES:

- City of Modesto residents only
- No businesses
- Tires with and without rims - OK
- Car, Truck & Motorcycle Tires - OK
- Up to 9 tires accepted at no charge
- No Commercial or Tractor Tires

WHAT TO DO:

- Call City of Modesto and request a Coupon: **(209) 577-5494**
 - Gilton Solid Waste (209) 527-3781
 - Bertolotti Disposal (209) 537-8000
- Take Tires to Garbage Company
- Do not mix tires with other waste

FREE DISPOSAL ON DATES LISTED BELOW

February 1-29 • April 1-30 • June 1-30

August 1-31 • October 1-31 • December 1-31

(Closed Dec. 25)

Funded by a grant from the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle)

Questions?
Call **(209) 577-5494**



your location. Most of the materials are sent to the Compost Facility for processing. To determine the schedule for your area, please call the Green Waste Division at (209) 577-5463 or go to modestogov.com/trees/green_waste.asp

December is leaf season only; green waste will not be collected. Leaves are collected from the street only. Piles of leaves with pruned refuse mixed in it will not be collected in December

Residential Used Oil Recycling

The City of Modesto has two options for used motor oil and filter collection. Curbside collection by appointment or you can drop-off the used oil and filters for money at Certified Collection Companies. For more information on these programs please call (209) 577-5493.

Residential & Commercial Household Hazardous Waste

All area residents and "registered small quantity generator businesses" can dispose of hazardous materials at the Stanislaus County HHW Facility. Materials such as paint, solvents, used oil, batteries, brake fluid, antifreeze, fluorescent lights, and electronic devices (computers, monitors, TV's, VCR's, etc.) cannot be put in the garbage and must be disposed of properly. The facility is located at 1710 Morgan Road and is open Friday and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Additionally, The City of Modesto offers mobile collection events at various times during the calendar year. For more information, please call (209) 577-5493.

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Recycling Trailer for Special Events

The City of Modesto has FREE custom made recycling trailers designed to recycle cardboard and beverage containers in the form of plastic, cans and bottles. Each trailer has an overall capacity of 14 cubic yards or 4.5 cubic yards per compartment. It will not be necessary to purchase or store any special recycling containers for your event. Our staff will deliver and pick up the trailer at your event and take the material to be processed. Our special event recycling trailer is created to accommodate the recycling needs for festivals, concerts, sporting events, large school events, parades and much more- reducing costs for event producers and keeping recyclable materials out of our landfills! All proceeds are matched dollar for dollar by Boyett Petroleum and support the City of Modesto's "Adopt A Park Program. For additional information on how you can have a recycling trailer at your next event. Please contact Vicki Rice, Recycling Program Coordinator at (209) 577-5495 or vrice@modestogov.com

Residential Waste Tire Recycling

Modesto residents are eligible to participate in a grant funded program that allows each resident to recycle up to 9 waste tires at no additional cost. For program guidelines and how to receive a coupon, please contact the Solid Waste Division of the City of Modesto at (209) 577-5494.

If you have questions about these or any other garbage or recycling programs, please contact the Solid Waste Office at (209) 577-5494 or visit our website at www.modestogov.com/recycling/

Help Prevent Sewer Blockages & Overflows

Especially during the winter months, it is important to remember the following:

Grease is often washed down the kitchen sink and into the plumbing system. Even a small amount of grease in sink drains can cause serious blockages in home plumbing or, even worse, a sewer overflow in your home or yard. The substances also cause clogging in Modesto's wastewater collection system, causing overflows that are messy, costly, and a potential threat to your health and the environment.

Here are some ways you can help protect the environment, your pipes, and Modesto's sewer collection system:



- Never pour grease material down sink drains or toilets.
- Scrape grease material from all cookware and dishes into a can or the trash for disposal prior to washing. Don't rely on detergents to dissolve grease: They may just pass it down the line and cause problems in other areas.
- Use strainers in sink drains to catch food scraps and other solids, and empty the drain strainers into the trash for disposal.
- Cooking grease should be placed in the black curb container with the normal weekly garbage. It would be advisable to allow the grease to cool so as to not melt plastic garbage bags.

Call the City of Modesto 24/7 at (209) 577-6200 to report a sewer blockage or overflow.

Winter Water Conservation

It is a great time to take advantage of the City's High Efficiency Clothes Washer Rebate and the High Efficiency Toilet Rebate Programs. The City will reimburse you \$100.00 if you purchase a qualifying Tier 3 High Efficiency Clothes Washer and will reimburse you \$50.00 for a qualifying High Efficiency Toilet you change out (Maximum of 3). Please visit our website for the complete guideline and details: www.modestogov.com/savewater

The State of California Department of Water Resource also offers \$100.00 rebates for purchase and installation of one qualified high efficiency toilet per household that replaces a less-efficient toilet (using more than 1.6 gallons per flush.) Please visit their website at: www.saveourwater.com

We are still in a very serious drought and your continued participation is very important. Please turn off your irrigation system for the winter and only hand water on your scheduled day. Please visit our website for the most current information regarding the drought: www.modestogov.com/savewater

Below is the City of Modesto Revised Watering Schedule effective December 1, 2015

Year-round watering schedule for City of Modesto customers.

	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
IF YOUR ADDRESS IS...	ODD	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	EVEN
MIDNIGHT – 9:00 AM	WATER	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	WATER
9:00 AM – 7:00 PM	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER
7:00 PM – MIDNIGHT	WATER	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	WATER

ODD NUMBERED ADDRESSES END IN 1, 3, 5, 7, 9
EVEN NUMBERED ADDRESSES END IN 0, 2, 4, 6, 8

For more information or to report water waste, call (209) 342-2246.

<http://www.modestogov.com/savewater>

Water Conservation - Seasonal Tips

- Make seasonal adjustments to your irrigation timers: Turn timers off and hand-water trees and shrubs as needed during your watering times
- Prevent irrigation water from running onto sidewalks, streets and alleys
- Do not water outdoors during and after 48 hours following measurable rain - measurable rainfall is one-hundredth (.01) of an inch
- Sweep or machine blow to clean driveways, sidewalks, decks, parking lots, etc
- Inspect irrigation system regularly for leaks, broken pipes or heads and make repairs immediately
- Wrap pipes to prevent freezing

Drought Stage II-A

For more Water Conservation tips or to view the entire Drought Contingency Plan, please visit our website at: www.modestogov.com/savewater

SEWER PROBLEMS?
CALL US FIRST
577-6200