

# MADERA DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

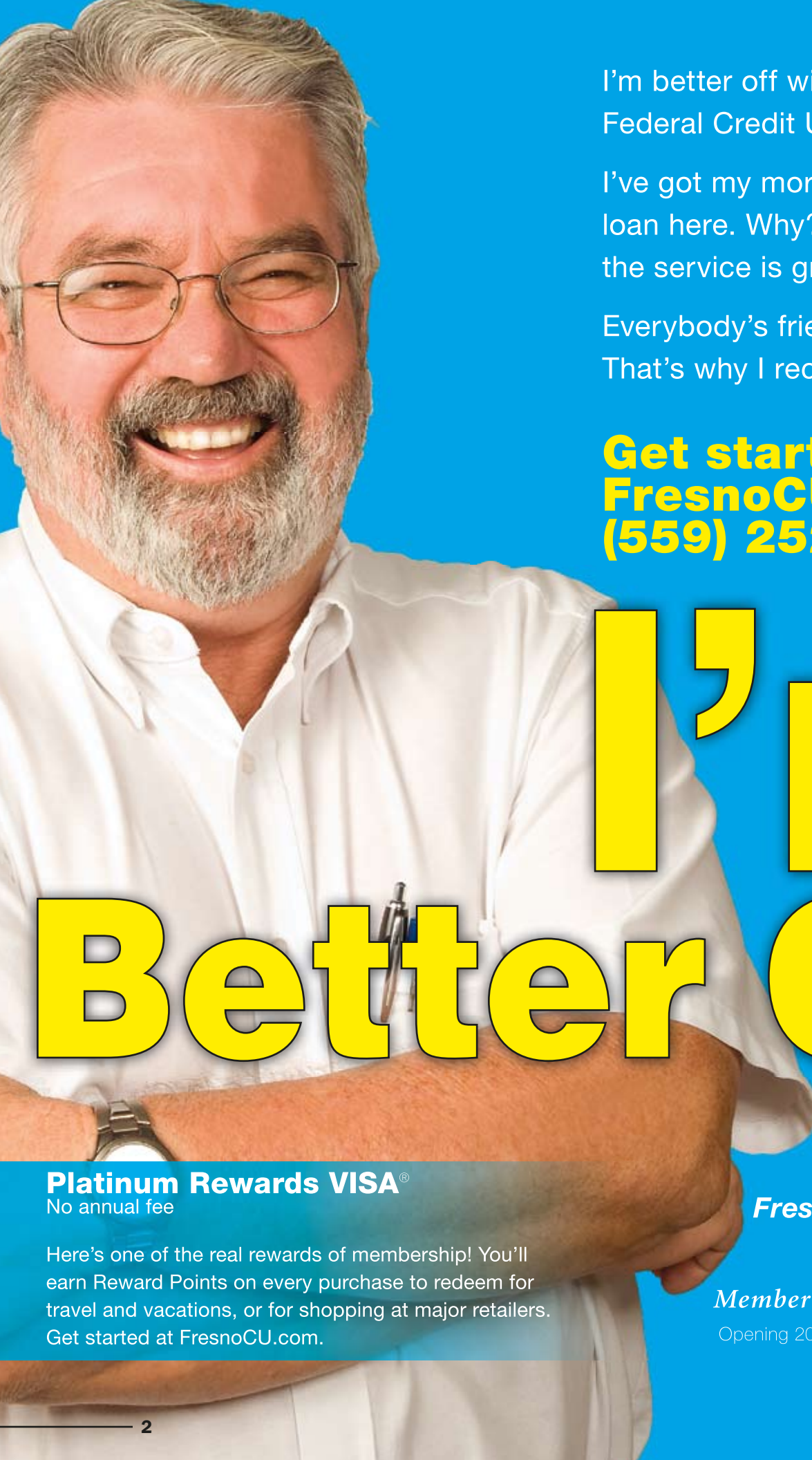


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## Community Guide





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# A LOOK INSIDE

**Explore Madera!** The Madera District Chamber of Commerce welcomes the opportunity to present you with our Community Guide and Membership Directory. This publication will help you to discover who we are, and what Madera has to offer. Madera is a wonderful place to live, work, and play. The directory of Chamber members provides you with a convenient and beneficial resource that will make it easy for you to do business with local companies. It is our hope that you will use the directory to make purchases and decisions about doing business in Madera. We are excited to assist you in learning more about our community and invite you to also visit

us at [www.maderachamber.com](http://www.maderachamber.com) or our office located at 120 North E Street in Madera. The Madera Chamber of Commerce is proud to provide you with this great resource and thank you for your interest.

It is our hope that you will patronize our members and advertisers in this publication. Their generous support of the Madera Chamber of Commerce programs and events, in turn, help support this community. We also would like to take the opportunity

to thank those who contributed information for our editorial summaries. Additional copies of this publication are available at our office.

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**Madera District Chamber of Commerce**

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 Madera, CA 93638  
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The Madera District Chamber of Commerce office was formerly the Madera Train Depot. The train depot closed its doors in the 1970's, and lay vacant until 2001. The Madera Redevelopment Agency funded the complete rehabilitation of the former Depot Building. It was dedicated in March 2002 and has been the office of the Madera District Chamber of Commerce since that time.

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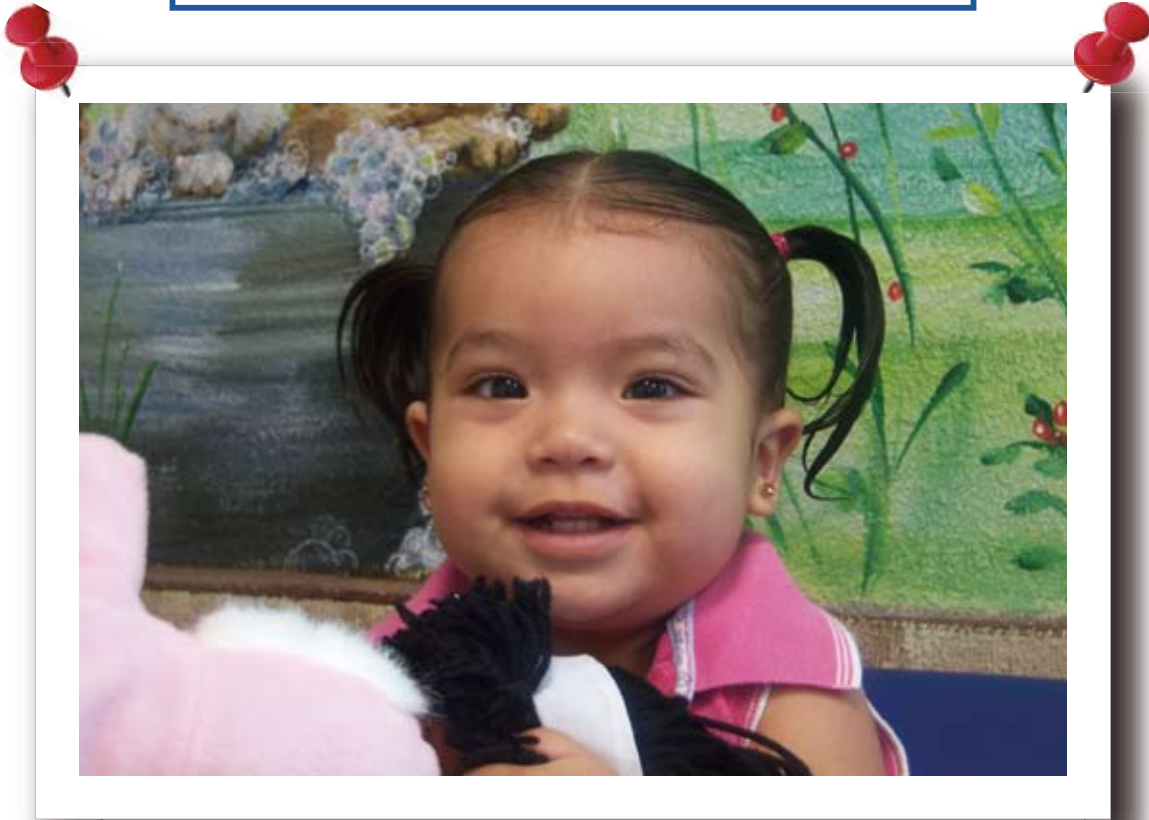
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# ABOUT THE CHAMBER

**OUR MISSION:** The Mission of the Madera District Chamber of Commerce is to support a diverse regional economy by promoting a thriving business environment that contributes to our community's quality of life.

**OUR PURPOSE:** The Chamber of Commerce is a voluntary organization representing all segments of the business community with the potential for marshaling the energies and efforts of its membership toward the accomplishment of common goals for a better community.

## OUR COMMITMENT

The Madera District Chamber of Commerce strives to:

- Endorse a Strong Local Economy
- Represent and Advocate on Behalf of Business
- Provide Opportunities for Enhancing Business Connections
- Promote Our Community

**The Madera Chamber of Commerce offers the following to fulfill our commitment to our Members:**

## ACTIVITIES, EVENTS & PROGRAMS

- Agricultural Scholarship Program
- America's Schools Recycling Program
- Business Extravaganza & Trade Show
- Cross Street Banner Program
- Golf Tournament
- Governmental Affairs Breakfast Meetings
- Grand Openings & Ribbon Cuttings
- Informational Meetings, Seminars & Workshops
- Labor Law Breakfast Forums
- Leadership Madera Program
- Lifetime Achievement Awards
- Lifetime Achievement Memorial Scholarship
- Meet Madera Program
- Membership Luncheons
- Mixers
- New Educators Welcome Reception
- Operation Civic Pride Program
- Political and Candidate Forums
- Retired Teachers Luncheon
- Salute to Agriculture Events
- Salute to Education Reception and Recognition Event
- Senior Farmer of the Year Presentation†
- Speakers' Bureau Information
- Travel Opportunities
- Trees for Charity
- AND MORE...

## BUSINESS RESOURCES

- Bad Check Restitution/Prosecution Program
- Business Assistance Resources
- Business License Information
- City of Madera Police Department Security Assessment Program
- Compliance Materials and Resources
- Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Tax Center
- Sign Ordinance Information

## COMMITTEES

- Agribusiness
- Ambassador Corps
- Business & Education Committee
- Governmental Review Committee (GRC)
- Inter-Service Club Council
- Mayor's Prayer Breakfast Committee

## ADVERTISING & MARKETING OPPORTUNITIES

- Business and Agency Referrals
- City/County Map
- Membership Directory and Community Guide
- Member-to-Member Discounts
- Monthly Newsletter† 'Madera Business Beat'
- On-site displays for Member Information
- Sponsorship of Chamber Events
- Website

## PROMOTING OUR COMMUNITY

The Madera Chamber of Commerce supports a number of different community events such as:

- Halloween Parade
- Madera High School Homecoming Parade
- Madera Wine Trail Events
- Old Timers Day Parade & Celebration
- Tractor Parade of Lights & Candlelight Christmas Wine Stroll
- AND MORE...

The Chamber provides many community resources to the public. We are the "front door to our community" and central information center:

- Business and Agency Referrals
- City/County Map
- Clubs & Organizations Directory
- Community Calendar
- Community Guide & Membership Directory
- Demographic Information
- Industrial & Manufacturers Directory
- Madera Wine Trail Maps
- Places of Worship & Faith-Based Organization List
- Public Halls and Meeting Places Referrals
- Relocation Information
- State of California Tourism Information & Visitors Guides
- Telephone Directories
- Transportation Information
- Visitor Information
- Voter Registration Information
- Yosemite Sierra Visitors Guides

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# HISTORY OF MADERA

On May 16, 1893 Madera County officially became a County of the State of California, but it was in 1876 that the first lots of the proposed village were put on the auction block and the future Madera County seat had its beginning.

Actually, Madera was a Johnny-come-lately. As the Southern Pacific Railroad laid its tracks south through the San Joaquin Valley in 1872, it brought into existence the towns of Modesto, Merced, Minturn, Borden, and Berenda - but not Madera. Likewise, before Madera was even conceived, in the foothills the older mining communities of Buchanan, and Grub Gulch flourished, as did the towns of Coarsegold, Finegold, and Fresno Flats (now Oakhurst) higher up in the mountains.

Finally Madera came on the scene, and the announcement of its founding was greeted with something less than excitement, given the fact that it had no connection with mining and was not part of the Southern Pacific's plan for the San Joaquin Valley. Madera's birth certificate was issued in a story in the October 11, 1876 issue of the Fresno Expositor. It read in part, "The new town laid out by the California Lumber Company at the point where the company's flume intersects the railroad has been graced with the name of Madera - the Spanish word for lumber. It promises to be quite a flourishing town, and the demand for lots is great."

The Expositor went on to report that a public sale of lots was scheduled to take place on Tuesday, October 24th, at the town site. The lumber company was ready to bring its raw product down the recently completed flume, where it would be finished at the new planing mill. Everything was set; Madera was ready to roll.

On January 10, 1877, the Expositor sent a reporter to Madera to determine for himself precisely what the current status of the valley's newest burg was. What he found was astounding! From the sands of the Fresno Plains, in a matter of weeks, a town had arisen where formerly only jackrabbits and antelope played. "But a few weeks ago there was not a dwelling within a mile of here," noted the reporter. "Today there are probably 25, some of which are better by far than the casual observer would at the first glance believe could be built and fitted up in such a short time."

At this time there were no merchandise stores in Madera, although there were about 20 private residences. As promising as the up-and-coming town of Madera appeared, not everyone welcomed this upstart newcomer. The Expositor reported that "just a slight tinge of jealousy is now and again manifested between Borden and Madera." This apprehension on the part of the citizens in the town just four miles south of Madera was well justified. In a few short years, it was totally eclipsed by its lumber town neighbor.

Within a few months, the residents of Madera were thinking about the education of their youth. On March 21, 1877, a public meeting was held to discuss the erection of a school building. Those early Maderans decided that evening to begin work at once. The building was 50 feet by 30 feet, had a 16-foot ceiling, and embraced all of the "modern improvements." The school was built on two acres of land and was fenced and planted with numerous shade trees. Upon completion of the school, plans were made for the first church.

By April 1877, Madera, having no newspaper of its own, was getting regular press coverage in the Fresno Expositor. Under the heading of "Madera Items," it was reported that a drove of antelope had

crossed the railroad tracks at Madera on April 4th. Additionally, C.H. Evans had built a handsome verandah in front of his saloon and planned to cover it with an awning like the one above the entrance to the El Capitan Hotel in Merced. Further, Dr. Brown had purchased Sanford's saloon, poured the whiskey out into the dirt street, and fitted up the building as a drug store.

In 1896, Madera became the county seat of newly created Madera County. During the same year construction on a new courthouse, jail, zoo and county park began. In March of 1898 the first Chamber of Commerce was formed. Forty-nine men paid \$2.50 charter membership dues.

Madera soon moved into the 20th century and continued to grow with the main part of town being three blocks long. The City of Madera was incorporated on March 27, 1907. Until paving in 1912, those three blocks and the rest of the wide main street named Yosemite Avenue were chuck-holed and billowing with dust in the summer, thick with mud miring wagons to their axles in winter. The only relief from the dirt were several lengths of wooden sidewalks.

So, within half a year of its founding, the town of Madera began building its destiny, but not without some growing pains. Such was downtown Madera through the first two decades of the century and now we begin the first decade of the new century in which "history" will be created, then described in some future period. It's all just a matter of time!

## CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION... CELEBRATING 100 YEARS 1907-2007

On March 27, 2007, the City of Madera celebrated its 100th Anniversary. The City of Madera organized a Centennial Committee to develop plans for a series of events throughout the year. The following Centennial events were held and the public was invited and encouraged to attend: the Old Timer's Parade in September 2006 kicked off the year with a Centennial Theme; the City of Madera hosted a Centennial Kick-Off Celebration in January 2007 with an Open House at City Hall, followed by a City Council meeting with the reading of a Proclamation, by Bill Coate, designating 2007 as our Centennial Celebration year; the Madera Chamber of Commerce, along with the Madera Rotary Club and Madera Sunrise Rotary, hosted a Century Luncheon on March 27, 1907 celebrating our City's 100th Birthday and heritage - a look at Madera's Past, Madera Today, and Madera's Future. This event also honored Jay Chapel and the Madera Tribune, celebrating over 100 years in business in Madera; the Madera City Council and Staff hosted the dedication of 'Centennial Park' (renaming Swimming Pool Park) located at the corner of 4th and Flume Streets. Mr. Mike Hinton and students of Madera High School presented the city with a Time Capsule; the Madera Chamber of Commerce hosted the annual Mayor's Prayer Breakfast in celebration of the City's century mark, the event honored individuals that have, and continue, to play a key role in defining the City of Madera. The City of Madera Parks and Community Services Department invited members of the community to join in the celebration of the City of Madera's 100th birthday by adopting a Centennial Tree. Trees were planted on April 27th and October 20, 2007.

*A portion of this information provided courtesy of the Madera County Historical Society and Bill Coate, a retired teacher from Sierra Vista Elementary School and writer for the Madera Tribune*





# CITY OF MADERA

On March 27, 2007, the City of Madera celebrated its 100th Anniversary. The City is a general law city and operates under the Council/Manager form of government. It is governed by a five-member City Council, all of whose members are elected at large, and who serve four-year terms, with the Mayor elected by the City Council, serving for one year.

An annual budget of \$97 million and a work force of 265 full time employees provide the services of our Finance, Police, Public Works (including the Airport Division, Equipment Maintenance Division, Facilities Maintenance Division, Street Division and Wastewater Treatment Plant), Community Development (including Planning, Engineering, and Building Divisions), Parks and Community Services (including Madera Municipal Golf Course), City Clerk, Administration, and City Attorney Departments.

The city also oversees the Planning Commission, Civil Service Commission, Development Review Committee, Traffic Safety Committee, Airport Advisory Commission, Madera Redevelopment Agency & Code Enforcement, and Madera Housing Authority.

## VISION MADERA 2025

Beginning in July 2005, Madera engaged in a community process to develop a plan to guide the city to a preferred future. This community-wide effort, the Vision Madera 2025 program, was conducted over two years (2005-2007) and involved hundreds of citizens representing dozens of community interests including business, environment, neighborhood, social service, healthcare, education, government and many others. The product of this endeavor was an Action Plan identifying the programs and projects necessary to achieve that Vision. With the help and input from community volunteers, the City of Madera and other public agencies, the community now has a Vision and Action Plan. The Vision includes descriptive language describing a preferred future for Vision Madera 2025 in four focus areas:

- A Well-Planned City
- A Strong Community and Great Schools
- Good Jobs and Economic Opportunity
- A Safe, Healthy Environment

The resulting Vision Action Plan lists specific activities that will help move the community in the direction of the Vision. It also assigns these activities to individuals, groups or agencies that will take the lead on these activities, often with the help of supporting partners. The Action Plan listed 55 strategies and 167 actions to bring the Vision to life. The plan outlines opportunities to enhance community identity, connections and livability.



## GENERAL PLAN

Our local General Plan can be described as the “blueprint” for future development. It represents the community’s vision of Madera’s future, a constitution made up of the goals and policies upon which the City Council and Planning Commission will base their land use decisions.

State law requires that each city and each county adopt a general plan containing the following seven components or “elements”: land use, circulation, housing, conservation, open-space, noise, and safety. At the same time, each jurisdiction is free to adopt a wide variety of additional elements covering subjects of particular interest to that jurisdiction such as recreation, urban design, or public facilities. In addition to the mandatory elements, Madera is including community character, community design and sustainability elements in their General Plan.

The process of adopting or amending a general plan requires public participation. Madera will hold public hearings and provide advance notice of the place and time of the hearings via the newspaper and local postings. Prior to approval of the update, hearings will be held by the Planning Commission. Adoption is required by the legislative bodies of the City of Madera and the County of Madera.

## MADERA DOWNTOWN BUSINESS & PARKING DISTRICT

The City of Madera coordinates the operation of a small downtown business promotion and parking district. The assessment district encompasses about 18 blocks and funds a variety of activities throughout the year designed to attract retail customers and potential new businesses. The promotional activities include parades, wine strolls, promotional street banner and attractive building, lighting, and beautification landscaping services. The district also provides two-hour parking control during the weekday. Madera’s Downtown Association, a non-profit group, contracts with the City to provide day-to-day operation of the district.

Contact Michael McHatten, Administrative Services Director at (559) 661-5415 or Rochelle Noblett, Madera Downtown Association at (559) 673-5951 for more information.

## MADERA FIXED AND DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSIT SERVICES (MAX - MADERA AREA EXPRESS)

The City offers two public transit services. A dial-a-ride service operates curb-to-curb primarily for those who have difficulty using the fixed route service. Dial-a-ride service is provided to city and county residents within approximately a five-mile circle of downtown and is usually used for work, medical appointments, school meetings, college classes, senior services, events and much more. Vehicles are wheel-chair lift equipped. To schedule a trip, one must call (559) 661-7433 at least two hours in advance.

Madera’s fixed route bus service operates six days a week and offers services on a 30-minute and hourly schedule throughout the community. All buses are air-conditioned and wheel chair accessible. For a schedule of services, contact (559) 661-7433 or speak to a First Transit Services representative.





## MADERA MUNICIPAL AIRPORT (MAE)

The airport is situated three miles northwest of the City of Madera and is operated by the City under the supervision of the Administrative Services Director. The main runway is 5,544 feet long, lighted for night operations, equipped with visual glide-slope indicators, has a straight-in, non-precision instrument approach and will accommodate most business jet and turbojet aircraft. A 3,700-foot secondary runway is in service for restricted daylight operations. Aviation gasoline and jet fuel is available 24 hours a day from two card operated facilities.

Facilities consist of the Terminal/Administration building, T-hangers, permanent and transient tie-down spaces, three (3) Fixed Base Operations (FBO) hangars, corporate hangars, and an agricultural aerial application complex. The Madera Parachute Center, fully accredited by the United States Parachute Association, operates year-round at the Madera Airport and various special events are staged at the airport. For more information, call (559) 661-3687.



*For more information, visit the City of Madera's website, [www.cityofmadera.org](http://www.cityofmadera.org), or contact:*

- **City Hall**  
Administration, Finance, Community Development & City Clerk  
205 West Fourth Street, Madera, CA 93637  
(559) 661-5400
- **Police Department**  
330 South C Street, Madera, CA 93638  
(559) 675-4200
- **Parks and Community Services & Public Works Department**  
1030 South Gateway Drive, Madera, CA 93637  
(559) 661-5495
- **City Attorney**  
205 West Fourth Street, Madera, CA 93637  
(559) 661-5483
- **Fire Department (administered by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection/CDF) Division HQ Station #1**  
14225 Road 28, Madera, CA 93638  
(559) 675-7799

*This information provided courtesy of the City of Madera*



## OUR SISTER CITY... THE CITY OF I-LAN, TAIWAN, REPUBLIC OF CHINA

The Madera/I-Lan Sister City relationship was established in November 1994, by the Madera City Council to promote cultural, educational and economic exchanges. The City of I-Lan is located at the northeast part of Taiwan. Their mayors, with their respective delegations, have visited Madera in 1995 and 2000; respectively the City of Madera mayors and delegations visited I-Lan in 1994 and 2002. In 2005, a delegation from an elementary school in I-Lan visited Madera in hopes of establishing an exchange program between the two countries.

Maderans have hosted the Chinese youth music group from I-Lan in 1996, 1997, 1999, 2001, 2003 and 2007. During their visits, they have performed outstanding classical music for our students and the community at large. Madera and I-Lan continue to foster this very special international relationship.

The Madera/I-Lan Sister City Corporation is a non-profit organization in Madera. It organizes the Sister City events and programs and hosts fundraisers each year, the Chinese New Year Dinner being the most popular.

*This information provided courtesy of the Madera/I-Lan Sister City Corporation*





# DEMOGRAPHICS

## LOCATION

“The Perfect Location” Madera County is in the “heart” of California; the “Passageway to the Sierras”; and is located in the exact center of California. Madera residents find they have easy access to Yosemite, Kings Canyon and Sequoia National Parks along with access to the Pacific Coast, Bay Area and Southern California. Madera County encompasses 2,147 square miles, with the City of Madera covering 10.23 square miles. The City of Madera has an elevation of 282 feet.

## GROWTH TRENDS

### Population (January 1, 2008)

The city of Madera has a population of 56,710

The county of Madera has a population of 150,887

For additional population reports on Madera and other Counties and Cities in the State of California please visit the State of California Department of Finance Website at [www.dof.ca.gov](http://www.dof.ca.gov) or [www.maderachamber.com](http://www.maderachamber.com)

## EMPLOYMENT

The city also draws employment from the Fresno metropolitan area, 22 miles south; Chowchilla metropolitan area, 14 miles north; Merced, Oakhurst, Kerman and Firebaugh. For details regarding Employment by Industry and Occupation of Madera County, please visit the State of California Employment Development Department’s website at [www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov](http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov)

Statistics are available for both short-term (2007-2009) and long-term (2006-2016) projections. You may also review the ‘Madera County Snapshot’ for information specific to Madera.

## DISTANCES TO MAJOR POINTS OF INTEREST

(from the City of Madera)

Los Angeles	240 miles
San Francisco	166 miles
Fresno	22 miles
Sacramento	153 miles
Carmel/Monterey	164 miles
Yosemite National Park	100 miles

## CLIMATE

One of the most desirable features of Madera is its climate. Madera is typically warm, dry, with relatively low humidity. The average July high temperature is 99.6 with an average high temperature in January of 47.9.



## REAL ESTATE DATA

### Rentals:

- Average monthly rent for 3-bedroom home \$1159  
*(October 2007, Madera Housing Authority)*
- Average monthly rent for 2-bedroom apartment \$797  
*(October 2007, Madera Housing Authority)*

### Home Prices

- Average purchase price for new 3-bedroom home \$351,000 *(2007 Madera MLS)*
- Average purchase price for existing 3-bedroom home (8-11 years old) \$270,000 *(2007 Madera MLS)*
- Median home price in Madera County \$210,000.00; the price statistics are derived from all types of home sales – new, existing, condos and single-family.  
*(California Association of Realtors, May 2008)*

<b>Year</b>	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Average Home Price</b>	\$230,000	\$285,000	\$310,000	\$295,000

*SOURCE: Grubb & Ellis Pearson Realty*

### Building Lease/Sales Rates

- Industrial Lease \$0.35 - 0.55 per sq. ft.
- Industrial Sales Price (Build to Suit) \$35.00 - 80.00 per sq. ft. (depending on amenities)
- Retail - Shopping Center \$0.90 - 3.00 per sq. ft.
- Retail - Downtown \$0.40 - 0.90 per sq. ft.
- Office \$0.90 - 2.00 per sq. ft.

### Land Sales Price/Improved Sites

- Industrial \$1.50 - 5.00 per sq. ft.
- Retail/Commercial Property \$2.50 - 5.50 per sq. ft.

*SOURCE: Madera County Economic Development Commission*

## PUBLIC SAFETY

- Madera City Fire Department  
Division HG Station #1  
14225 Road 28, Madera CA 93638  
(559) 661-5498
- Madera City Police Department  
330 South C Street, Madera CA 93638  
(559) 674-5611
- Madera County Fire Department  
14225 Road 28, Madera CA 93638  
(559) 675-7799
- Madera County Sheriff  
14143 Road 28, Madera CA 93638  
(559) 675-7787
- Madera County Sheriff ‘Operation Lost & Found’  
Bass Lake Substation  
(559) 642-3201
- California Highway Patrol  
3051 Airport Drive, Madera CA 93637  
(559) 675-1025



## TRANSPORTATION

### Air

- Fresno Yosemite International Airport offers both passenger and freight service and is located within a half hour's drive from the city of Madera and is located at 5175 East Clinton Way, Fresno (559) 621-4500
- Private air traffic is serviced through Chowchilla Airport or Madera Municipal Airport (MAE). Madera Municipal Airport (General Aviation) offers a 5,544 foot runway and is located at 4020 Aviation Drive (559) 674-6958

### Bus

- Regional: Greyhound Bus Lines, 123 North E Street (559) 674-4664
- Local: Dial-a-Ride, MAX Transit, Madera County Connection, 123 North E Street (559) 661-7433
- Local: Taxi Services

### Trucking Firms

- There are over 100 common carrier companies serving the Madera area and over 10 general-haul truck lines in Madera County.

### Express Delivery Firms

- DHL Worldwide Express (800) 225-5345
- Fed Ex (800) 463-3339
- U.S. Postal Service - Express Service, 201 South D Street (800) 275-8777
- United Parcel Service (800) 463-3339
- California Overnight (559) 276-6935

### Rail

- Rail service is provided by Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad and Union Pacific Rail-County Team Track in Chowchilla.
- Amtrak's San Joaquin line provides passenger service to and from Madera.  
For Amtrak Information and Reservations, a San Joaquin Route Timetable is available at the Chamber Office; call Amtrak Toll-Free at (800) 872-7245 or visit [www.amtrak.com](http://www.amtrak.com)

### Ports

- Port of Stockton, 104 miles to the North
- Port of Oakland, 153 miles to the North
- Port of Sacramento, 175 miles to the North
- Port of Long Beach, 265 miles to the South

### Highways

- State Freeway 99 and State Route 145 transect the City of Madera
- State Highway 152 is 15 miles to the North
- Interstate 5 is 47 miles west via State Route 152 in Chowchilla

## TAX INFORMATION

Madera County levies the 1% Proposition 13 Tax Rate (i.e. \$1 for every \$100.00 of Assessed Valuation) plus various voter approved debt service tax rates depending on the particular area within the County.

Retail sales tax rate is 7.75 percent.

## GOVERNMENT

The Board of Supervisors is the legislative and executive governing body of Madera County government. One Supervisor is elected from each of the five supervisory districts of the County, each serving a four-year term.

The City of Madera operates under the Council/Manager form of government. It is governed by a five-member City Council, all of whose members are elected at large, and who serve four-year terms, with the Mayor elected by the City Council, serving for one year.

## ECONOMIC INCENTIVES

The City of Madera has several designated Enterprise Zone areas. Enterprise Zone businesses can earn in excess of \$37,000 in state tax credits over a five year period for each qualified employee. The Enterprise Zone is administered by the Madera County Economic Development Commission (EDC). The Madera County EDC is also responsible for Foreign Trade Zones, Recycling Market Development Zones and a Small Business Revolving Loan Program. For more details information about these programs or to view an Enterprise Zone map, please visit the Madera County Economic Development website at [www.maderacountyedc.com](http://www.maderacountyedc.com) or call (559) 675-7768.

## EMPLOYERS IN MADERA COUNTY

There are over 100 manufacturing and processing plants in the Madera Area. Major production concentrations are wine, glass bottles, food machinery, farm equipment, air cooling units, corrugated box manufacturing, and plastics.

### Top Manufacturing Employers

	Employees
Constellation Wines, U.S.	430
Saint-Gobain Containers	370
Baltimore Aircoil Company of CA	235
Certaiteed Corporation	225
Evapco West	199
Brake Parts, Inc.	150
Georgia-Pacific LLC	150
JBT Food Tech	150
Warnock Food Products	130
Florestone Products Company, Inc.	100
Advanced Drainage Systems (ADS)	100
Old Castle Precast Inc. (Christy Concrete)	100
Azteca Milling, L.P. dba Valley Grain Products	100
Sealed Air Corporation	85
Ready Roast	72

### Top Seasonal Employers

	Employees
Royal Madera Vineyards	10-600
Rain Creek Bakery	60-350
Lamanuzzi and Pantaleo	75-325
Pacific Gold Marketing, Inc. (Oasis Trading Company)	8-120
Sunsweet Dryers	9-100

### Top Non-Manufacturing Employers

	Employees
Children's Hospital Central CA	2,700
State of California	2,500
Madera Unified School District	1,700
County of Madera	1,600
Chukchansi Gold Resort & Casino	1,400
Madera Community Hospital	950
U.S. Government	400
City of Madera	400
Span Construction & Engineering	200
Gottschalks Distribution Center	160

SOURCE: Madera County Economic Development Commission





# AGRICULTURE

Madera County is located in California's San Joaquin Valley, the most productive agricultural region in the world. As remarkable as the productivity is the diversity of commodities produced. Of the estimated 350 crops grown in California, more than 100 crops are cultivated within the boundaries of the San Joaquin Valley. The total value of agricultural commodities produced in Madera County exceeds over one billion dollars annually.

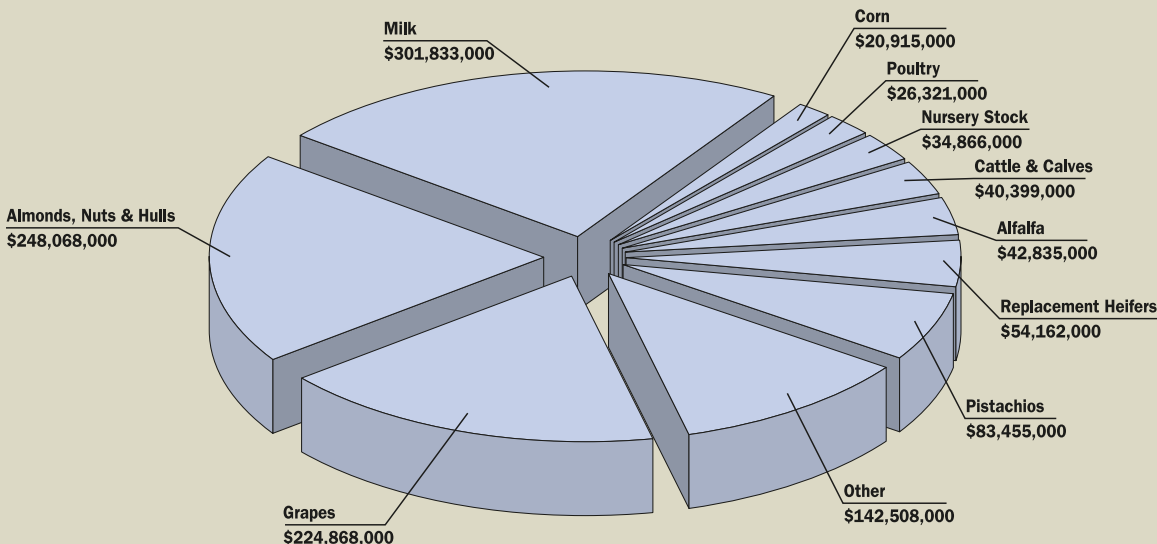
The diversity of Madera County agriculture is apparent in a listing of the county's top ten products for 2007. Ranked by dollar value the list includes: milk, almonds (nuts & hulls), grapes, pistachios, replacement heifers, alfalfa, cattle & calves, nursery stock, poultry, and corn. Other major field crops include beans, cotton, and wheat. Important fruit and nut crops, in addition to those listed above include cherries, figs, nectarines, olives, oranges, peaches, plums, pomegranates, prunes, and walnuts. Rounding out this impressive list, a wide array of miscellaneous commodities that are also produced include: honey, beeswax, orchids, Christmas trees, timber, firewood, fish, frogs, hogs, lamb and wool.

The commodities of Madera County are exported to destinations around the world. Sixty countries receive shipments comprised of many of our principle commodities, as well as figs, kiwis, pomegranates, pecans, peaches, gladiolus corms, and ornamental plants. Growers are justifiably proud of the quality of food and fiber produced here in Madera County. California has led the nation in total farm revenues every year since 1948. Madera County ranks thirteenth amongst California counties in overall agriculture production and twenty-third among the 4,000 counties in the United States. Further, our county ranks first in the production of figs. We rank second in the production of raisin grapes and pistachios. Farming is a renewable economic resource in Madera County, creating income that is replenished each succeeding year.

Less than half of 1 percent of California's 37 million people are farmers, but their impact reaches far. Economists note that the impact of gross agricultural receipts is multiplied three to five times in the local economy. About 30 percent of the San Joaquin Valley's total personal income is derived from agriculture. Many residents



hold jobs that are directly farm-related, associated with fertilizer companies, farm vehicles, supermarkets, truck driving, wineries, and other processing plants. Many more jobs are in areas indirectly related to agriculture, such as packaging, construction, and finance. California's farms are the beginning of a cycle that adds over \$90 billion in value to the State's economy; this constitutes about 6.5 percent of the annual total value added by all California businesses. Without its farms California would lose the wealth that flows into her economy from agriculture.



In the late 1800's, ninety percent of our nation's population was engaged in farming. By 1920, only thirty percent were farmers. Today, just 2% of the U.S. population is in farming and this 2% feeds the entire nation! One farmer feeds 96 Americans and exports food for 32 additional people. To be good stewards of the land, we must be vigilant in our concern for the future of this fertile acreage.

*This information provided courtesy of the office of Robert J. Rolan, Agricultural Commissioner of Madera County*

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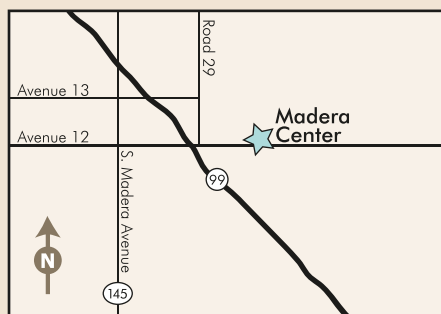
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# EDUCATION

## MADERA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Madera Unified School District welcomes you... The journey begins here.** Madera Unified School District (MUSD) is home to over 18,500 of the Central Valley's brightest young people and offers a wide range of programs to fit the needs of our students. The district encompasses 27 sites. Take a look at what we offer.

### Quick Facts

- Grades: K-12
- Schools: 27
- 13 - K-6 Elementary Schools
- 3 - K-8 Schools
- 3 - Middle Schools
- 2 - High Schools
- 4 - Alternative Education Centers
- 2 - Charter Schools
- Enrollment: 18,749

### MUSD Is Building New Schools

Madera Unified has experienced a construction boom in recent years, and students are reaping the benefits. Since 2005, MUSD has opened four new elementary schools, a new middle school and a new high school. Each new site boasts modern design and state-of-the-art technology, making Madera Unified's new schools the envy of surrounding districts. The construction has also helped reduce overcrowding at schools and allowed all district sites to transition to a traditional calendar and away from a year-round schedule. MUSD has a master plan in place for further school construction should the city's population continue to grow.

### Modern Facilities

Since 2005, the district has opened six new schools and modernized many others. Now, our schools are fitted for the latest in technological needs and are well maintained with fresh paint, spacious playgrounds and well-kept classrooms. We take great pride in our commitment to updating existing facilities to provide all students with an atmosphere perfect for learning.

### A Challenging Curriculum

The core curriculum is aligned to state content standards. Core curriculum is outlined in standards documents, which are available to all teachers. All textbooks are state approved and/or aligned to state content standards and several supplemental programs are available in MUSD. Students are administered benchmark examinations to ensure they are proficient in state standards.

### Health and Fitness

Research links physical fitness to high academic achievement and overall wellness among young people in the United States. Trained physical education specialists are on staff to provide nutrition and fitness lessons for students in many grade levels. We believe that healthy minds and healthy bodies go hand in hand.

### Special Needs Students

The neighborhood schools model serves the majority of students with special needs. Our students with mild handicaps attend their neighborhood schools, along with siblings and friends. Children with more intense needs are often served through the Madera County Office of Education-operated special classes, located at selected MUSD sites.

### Technology

Madera Unified works hard to seamlessly integrate technology into the daily curriculum, helping teachers deliver California academic content standards through the use of educational software tools from core curriculum publishers as well as other educational software leaders. Assessment tools are available that help teachers make wise curriculum planning decisions based on data-driven information. Technology coaches are available at each school site to help integrate technology into daily lessons. Our District technology plan has brought the average student to computer ratio to 5:1 at all Madera Unified school sites, while the California statewide average is 7:1.

### Career Schools

Madera Unified employs the career school model at Madera High and Madera South High. Career schools offer a unique approach to the high school experience. There are five career schools in total. Both sites feature the following career schools: humanities, health sciences, business/human services. Madera High also offers a career school in engineering and technology, while Madera South High offers a career school in agriculture. Career Schools give students a chance to connect with faculty one to one and the chance to leave high school with the skills future employers and universities are looking for. Each school offers a series of career paths based on employment needs for the future. Curriculum is developed with the guidance of community business advisors who help staff stay current in their knowledge of the world of work.

### Madera Unified School District Campuses

#### Elementary Schools

- Preschool, 525 East Yosemite Avenue, (559) 675-4003
- Adams (K-6), 1822 National Street, (559) 674-4631
- Alpha (K-6), 900 Stadium Road, (559) 661-4101
- Berenda (K-6), 26820 Club Drive, (559) 674-3325
- Chavez (K-6), 2600 East Pecan Avenue, (559) 664-9701
- Dixieland (K-8), 18440 Road 19, (559) 673-9119
- Eastin-Arcola (K-8), 29551 Avenue 8, Closed for the 2008-09 school year
- Howard (K-8), 13878 Road 21 1/2, (559) 674-8568
- LaVina (K-8), 8594 Road 23, (559) 673-5194
- Lincoln (K-6), 650 Liberty Lane, (559) 675-4600
- Madison (K-6), 109 Stadium Road, (559) 675-4630
- Millview (K-6), 1609 Clinton Street, (559) 674-8509
- Monroe (K-6), 1819 North Lake Street, (559) 674-5679
- Nishimoto (K-6), 26460 Martin Street, (559) 664-8110
- Parkwood (K-6), 1150 East Pecan Avenue, (559) 673-2500
- Pershing (K-6), 1505 East Ellis Street, (559) 664-9741
- Sierra Vista (K-6), 917 East Olive Avenue, (559) 674-8579
- Washington (K-6), 509 East South Street, (559) 674-6705

#### Middle Schools (7-8)

- Jack G. Desmond, 26490 Martin Street, (559) 664-1775
- Thomas Jefferson, 1407 Sunset Avenue, (559) 673-9286
- Martin Luther King, Jr., 601 Lilly Street, (559) 674-4681

#### High Schools (9-12)

- Madera High, 200 South L Street, (559) 675-4444
- Madera South High, 705 East Pecan Avenue, (559) 675-4450

#### Alternative Education

- Mountain Vista Continuation High, 1901 Clinton Street, (559) 675-4490
- Ripperdan Continuation High, 26133 Avenue 7, (559) 674-0059
- Furman High School, 955 West Pecan Avenue, (559) 675-4482
- Madera Adult School, 955 West Pecan Avenue, (559) 675-4425

*This information provided courtesy of Madera Unified School District*



## MADERA COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

The vision of the Madera County Office of Education (MCOE) is to enhance the quality of life through education. To achieve this vision, the mission of the Madera County Office of Education is to identify and provide programs, services and resources for the benefit of students, families, school districts, agencies and the community.

The Madera County Office of Education provides direct services to students including: instruction for special needs students; court and community school, boot camp, juvenile hall, Cal-Safe (pregnant and parenting teens) instruction; a variety of services including psychological, school nursing, speech therapy, occupational therapy, and other specialized instruction. Services are delivered in the home, pre-schools, and classroom settings as appropriate to the needs of the students.

Pioneer Technical Center, a charter school, opened in September 2002, for students who wanted to emphasize a vocational-technical program in their quest to meet California State Standards.

The Madera County Office of Education provides a variety of opportunities for students to demonstrate their academic abilities in a competitive format. The Academic Decathlon is a high school competition challenging students in 10 areas. The Mock Trial competition uses the courtroom for students to study, prepare, and present legal cases before local judges and attorneys. The Academic Pentathlon is a junior high school venue for performance in five separate competitions.

The Madera County Office of Education assists teachers with technology integration, professional development activities, and coordinating county technology services. Providing professional development training for teachers and assisting in the classroom designs for teaching students to produce multi-media presentations and guiding their use of the Internet are important support services.

The Madera County Office of Education provides an important role in monitoring the fiscal stability of our school districts. Fingerprinting of all new school employees is another valued service offered by MCOE. Additionally, all teachers in Madera County are required to register their teaching credentials with the Madera County Office of Education.

The Madera County Office of Education actively participates in the regional service delivery system established by the California County Superintendents of Schools Educational Services Association. The following educational services are offered to all school districts and county offices throughout the Central Valley Service Region of Fresno, Kings, Madera, Mariposa, Merced and Tulare counties: Medi-Cal Administrative Activities, Regional System of District and School Support, School Assistance and Intervention Teams (SAIT) and School Leadership Services.

## SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF MADERA COUNTY

- Alview-Dairyland Union School District
- Bass Lake Joint Union Elementary School District
- Chawanakee Unified School District
- Chowchilla School District
- Chowchilla Union High School District
- Golden Valley Unified School District
- Madera Unified School District
- Raymond-Knowles Union Elementary School District
- Yosemite Unified School District

*This information provided courtesy of Madera County Office of Education*

## STATE CENTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT (SCCCD)

### Madera Center



The Madera Center has been in existence for over 20 years, initially operating at Madera High School. In August 1996 the State Center Community College District (SCCCD) opened a dedicated site for the Madera Community College Center situated on 114 acres. The original development comprises approximately 25 of the 114 acres. The Madera campus is located on Avenue 12 just east of Highway 99 at the edge of the City of Madera. The initial campus consisted of 24 relocatable classrooms and a permanent student services building, along with a relocatable classroom to house the Child Development Learning Center and child care-related programs.

A permanent 26,000 square foot education and administrative building and utility/maintenance facility were completed for the 2000-01 school year. Funding from the 2001-02 State Budget Act funded the Academic Village Complex completed in January 2004. The 50,000 square feet of classroom, laboratory, and office space includes academic classrooms and offices, as well as components and laboratory space for biology, physical science, chemistry, computer studies, business, art, and a Licensed Vocational Nursing Program. The project also provided funding to retrofit the educational/administrative building to house the library, student services and administrative offices.

As a result of funding from the local bond and business donations, a full-service physical education program and facilities have been completed, including a fitness center, aerobic center, and softball field complex. Final plans have also been developed for the construction of a Center for Advanced Manufacturing facility scheduled to open in 2009.

The Madera Center serves 2,600 students, generating a full-time equivalency of approximately 1,300 students per year. The Center offers a wide variety of academic and occupational programs and opportunities for students. Utilizing services and course catalogs from its sister institution, Reedley College, the Madera Center offers over 360 courses each year in 38 areas of study and gives students a choice of transfer, Associate Degree, Certificates of Achievement, and Certificates of Completion. The first cohort of the Licensed Vocational Nursing Program completed the 18-month Certificate program in May 2004, with a 12 month LVN-RN program in the final stages of development.

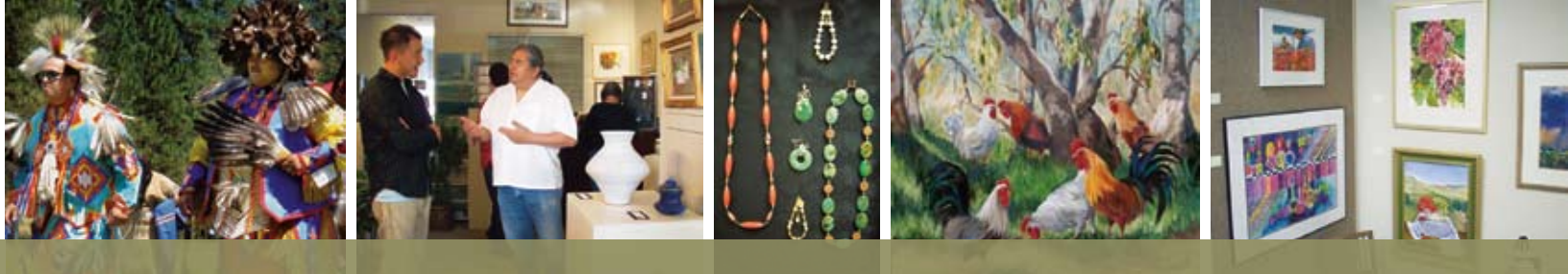
It is anticipated that the Madera area will continue to be one of the fastest growing population centers in the Central Valley and will, therefore, continue with its facilities expansion and student growth.

*This information provided courtesy of State Center Community College District*

## PRIVATE & CHARTER SCHOOLS IN MADERA

- Chawanakee Academy at Lighthouse - T.L.C. Fellowship, Inc.
- Crossroads Christian School - Grace Community Church
- Ezequiel Tafoya Alvarado Academy (ETAA) Charter School - MUSD
- Faith Tabernacle Christian Academy - Faith Tabernacle
- Madera Christian School - First Assembly of God Madera
- Pioneer Technical Center - MCOE Charter School
- Sherman Thomas Charter School - MUSD
- St. Joachim School - St. Joachim's Catholic Church





# ARTS IN MADERA COUNTY

Cultural opportunities abound in Madera County from the valley floor to higher elevations. Many artists reside in the county inspired by the visual grandeur of the Sierras and Yosemite National Park.

## MADERA

The Circle Art Gallery located at 1653 North Schnoor Avenue, Suite 113, in Madera, displays and sells works by over 40 professional artists. It also houses the Madera County Arts Council, a non-profit arts organization that provides residents and visitors access to art and culture through diverse programs and services, including an extensive visiting-artist in the schools program. The gallery hosts an annual fine art exhibition entitled Celebrate Agriculture with the Arts, in September including artists from all over the state. In November, they host a Holiday Arts & Crafts Fair. For more information visit [www.maderaarts.org](http://www.maderaarts.org).

Each summer the Madera County Arts Council and the City of Madera organize a Free Summer Concert Series at Lions Town and Country Park. Concerts take place at 7 p.m. on alternate Sunday evenings. Funded through the generosity of local businesses the selections include: Jazz Music, Rock Music, Military Bands, Big Band Sounds, and Latin Music. Check the calendar in the Madera Tribune for exact dates and times.

Quady Winery located at 13181 Road 24, organizes an annual art exhibition called the Revillier Art Exhibition in mid-February, displaying contemporary fine art, photography and sculptural installations. The high quality of the show and the added benefit of tasting wine while viewing the work are lots of fun!

The Madera County Historical Society Museum located at 210 West Yosemite Avenue is a storehouse of artifacts ranging from farm implements to papers and paintings from the personal collections of Madera's earliest residents. The museum is open Tuesdays and by appointment. The first Sunday in December they host an open house fundraiser showcasing decorated rooms and antiques from their permanent collection.

The first weekend of October in Courthouse Park, next to the Historical Society, there is an annual Fiesta in the Park sponsored by Latinas Unidas. This event includes free music and cultural foods.

## CHOWCHILLA

The Art Guild in Chowchilla organizes an Art Exhibition during the Madera County Fair each spring. Also, do not miss the artwork on display at Koffee Kat on Robertson Boulevard.

The community also has a well-respected Summer Theater. Ticket information is available at [www.ci.chowchilla.ca.us](http://www.ci.chowchilla.ca.us).

Down the road in Fairmead, next to the landfill lies the Archeological Dig and home of the San Joaquin Valley Paleontology Foundation. Tours are available by appointment.

## AHWAHNEE

On the northeast corner of Madera County along Highway 49, in Ahwahnee, you can visit one of only three authentic Ceremonial Roundhouses in California, maintained by members of the Miwok Tribe. Tours are available by appointment (559) 683-8194.

## COARSEGOLD

The Coarsegold Historic Museum in the original Picayune Schoolhouse displays historic farm and mining equipment. It is located along Highway 41 and open by appointment only by calling (559) 642-4488. In June, they host Art in the Meadow featuring music and dinner in the meadow.

## NORTH FORK

Visit the Sierra Mono Museum on Road 225 that houses a fine display of Native American basketwork. It is open Monday thru Friday.

While you are there, stop by the Community Art Gallery, located at the old sawmill site on Road 225, open from spring through October each year, for more information call (559) 877-2487.

You can find other events in North Fork too such as performances at the Squirrel Cage Theater. For further information about dates and times, call (559) 877-2431. Another event is the annual Sunset Pow Wow that takes place in September (559) 855-4833, and the Fall Festival Art Show that happens in October; contact (559) 877-4195 for dates.

## OAKHURST

Oakhurst has a non-profit arts agency, Vision Academy that provides summer art classes in everything from painting in Yosemite to dance. For more information, contact Jackie Byers at (559) 683-7071.

There is no shortage of cultural heritage in Oakhurst beginning with the Fresno Flats Historical Park on Road 427. It preserves and displays a home, printing press, barn, schoolhouse, and a blacksmith shop from 100 years ago. It is open Monday thru Friday with guided tours available on Saturdays and Sundays. For more information call (559) 683-6570.

The Children's Museum of the Sierras on Golden Oak Drive offers hands-on exhibits for school children ranging from old telephone switchboards to archeology. For more information: (559) 658-5656.

Do not forget the Thornberry Museum Sugar Pine Railroad on Highway 41 north of Oakhurst providing authentic train rides, for more information call (559) 683-7273.

Sierra Art Trails is a 501C4 Non-Profit Corporation run by volunteers. Their mission is to support and promote working artists in the Mountain Communities while developing the area as an arts destination. They raise money for scholarships and community art projects. Purchasing an Art Trails Catalogue enables you to enjoy three days of visiting local artist studios. For more information visit [www.sierraarttrails.org](http://www.sierraarttrails.org).

Art Galleries in Oakhurst - There are also many art galleries in Oakhurst where you can meet the local artists at Sierra Art Hop, on the second Saturday of every month from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m., for more information please call (559) 683-0611.

- **National Parks Gallery**, 40982 Highway 41, (559) 683-3345
- **Stavast Studio/Gallery**, 40982 Highway 41, (559) 683-0611
- **Stellar Gallery**, 40982 Highway 41, (559) 658-8844
- **Timberline Gallery**, 40982 Highway 41, (559) 683-3345
- **Williams Gallery West**, 40980 Highway 41, 559-683-5551

The performing arts thrive in the mountains as well at the Golden Chain Theater on Highway 41 during the Summer Melodramas. For more information visit their website: [www.goldenchaintheatre.org](http://www.goldenchaintheatre.org).

The Sierra Chamber Singers provide seasonal concerts and the Summer Fine Art Program for children takes place each summer. For more information on dates, contact Jackie Byers at (559) 683-7071. The Sierra Starlight Theater presents Broadway Musicals the second weekend of August each summer. For dates and times, call (559) 642-4329.

All summer long you can drive in your car or your boat to Jazz on the Lake at The Pines Resort on Bass Lake, every Friday night through September. The resort also has an art and antiques gallery called Good Ol'daze displaying the art of local artists.

*This information provided courtesy of The Madera County Arts Council*



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# HEALTH CARE IN MADERA

## PUBLIC HEALTH CARE

### MADERA COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Madera County provides a wide range of health services through the Madera County Public Health Department and in partnership with private medical offices and facilities. The primary responsibility of the Public Health Department is to protect and preserve the health of the community by providing education and information to the public regarding emergency and on-going health issues in the community; providing specialized clinical services, including health screening for senior citizens, immunizations and Tuberculosis skin tests; and monitoring, controlling and investigating reportable communicable diseases. The Department is neither a doctor's office nor a hospital. Nearly all services provided by the health department are free of charge. The Madera Services are located at 14215 Road 28 in Madera. Mental health services are provided through Madera County Behavioral Health Services (BHS).

### MADERA COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

Madera County Behavioral Health Services (BHS) is a public agency offering alcohol, drug, and mental health recovery and treatment programs. Our mission is to "Promote the prevention of and recovery from mental illness and substance abuse for the individuals, families and communities we serve by providing accessible, caring, and culturally competent services." BHS provides services in Madera, Oakhurst and Chowchilla. Contact numbers are as follows:

- 24 Hour and Emergency Psychiatric Services (559) 673-3508 or Toll Free (888) 275-9779
- Screening and Referral for Mental Health Services (559) 675-7850
- Adult Substance Abuse Services (559) 675-4515
- Youth Substance Abuse Services (559) 675-7920

## PRIVATE MEDICAL CARE

The private medical community of Madera offers a full array of highly trained and specialized physicians, surgeons, optometrists, dentists and chiropractors. Privately owned medical facilities and services also available include two convalescent hospitals:

- Country Villa Madera Rehabilitation & Nursing Center
- Westgate Manor Convalescent Hospital

### CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

A Precious Commodity... To say that the Central Valley is lucky to have a facility like Children's Hospital Central California is an understatement. For over 50 years, countless lives in Central California and beyond have been touched by the healing hands at Children's.

What started over 50 years ago as the humble vision of five women has grown into one of the 10 largest free-standing children's hospitals in the nation. Today, Children's Hospital is a 297 bed pediatric medical center on a 50 acre campus with more than 500 doctors practicing in over 40 pediatric subspecialties with centers and services throughout Central California.

In 2004, Children's Hospital received the prestigious Magnet Nursing Services Award from the American Nurses Credentialing Center. The Magnet Award is given to less than 3 percent of all hospitals in the country. Children's was the first pediatric hospital in California to receive the prestigious Magnet designation.

The Hospital's effect on kids is not just felt in the Valley; our primary service area encompasses over 45,000 square miles - stretching from Stockton to Bakersfield and the Sierra Nevada Mountains to the Pacific Ocean. It is one of the largest service areas of any children's hospital in the nation.

Children's is not only one of the biggest pediatric hospitals - it's one of the best. In national benchmark studies, the hospital is routinely recognized as one of the top hospitals in its peer group. Children's has received exceptional ratings in key areas such as pain management, cleanliness, and responsiveness to special needs. Children's Hospital's Jane Seddon Willson Heart Center, Neonatal Intensive Care Unit and Pediatric Intensive Care Unit, are particularly noteworthy for annually ranking among the highest in their peer groups for survival rates.

The mission of Children's Hospital is to provide high quality, comprehensive health care services to the children regardless of their ability to pay. Thanks to the generous donations the Hospital receives from its many guilds, private donors, and corporate gifts, it is able to help fulfill its mission and make sure that children have access to excellent health care.

### DARIN M. CAMARENA HEALTH CENTERS, INC.

Darin M. Camarena Health Centers, Inc. (DMCHC) is a nonprofit health center which focuses on the primary health care needs of the diverse community of Madera County. DMCHC practices an integrated health model which includes services in health education, chronic illness management, and dental care. This model empowers the patient to take charge of their wellbeing through a combination of good nutrition, healthy practices and modern medicine. DMCHC celebrated 28 years of service to Madera in September of 2008.

In December of 2005 DMCHC opened a site in Chowchilla through a grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). In addition to the Chowchilla site, DMCHC has two sites located in Madera. Our Family Center built in 2001 houses Walk-in Care, Family Dental, Pediatrics, Family Medicine, Geriatric Care, Diabetes and Asthma Educators as well as car seat education and a literacy program. The Women's Health Center is located directly across from the Family Center and provides family planning, pre- and post-natal care and other female health services.

In 2002 DMCHC developed a technology high infrastructure and implemented the Electronic Medical Records program. This groundbreaking use of technology is already redefining and increasing the quality of health care delivered to patients, and positively impacting chronic disease outcomes.

Darin M. Camarena Health Centers, Inc. is located on the corner of 6th and "B" Streets in downtown Madera and on Trinity Avenue, one block south of Robertson Boulevard, in Chowchilla. The Board of Directors is comprised of dedicated professional community leaders of Madera County. Richard Walker is the Chief Executive Officer, and Kenneth E. Bernstein, MD, FAAP is the Chief Medical Officer. Strong community support, public need, sound management, as well as state, federal and foundation grants and funding have helped Darin M. Camarena Health Centers, Inc. prosper and evolve into a prominent provider of medical and dental services for all community members without regard for social or economic status.



## MADERA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

Madera Community Hospital (MCH) is a 106 bed accredited acute care institution offering a wide range of sophisticated diagnostic and treatment services. It is a private, not for profit community hospital. MCH opened its doors on October 1, 1971 and is dedicated to providing quality healthcare services to Madera and the surrounding communities.

Madera is one of the fastest growing communities in the San Joaquin Valley. In order to meet the growing needs of our community MCH opened a 16 bed Emergency Department and a 10 bed Intensive Care Unit in December of 2000. The building is approximately 15,000 square feet. The facility has a separate ambulance entrance along with a decontamination area. There is a separate elevator for transporting patients from ER to ICU. This is a state of the art facility located on the south side of the hospital.

Services at MCH include: surgery (both inpatient and outpatient), diagnostic radiology, physical therapy, respiratory therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, back classes, special therapy for stroke patients, health education, maternity care (including private birthing suites), 24 hour emergency services, in-house pharmacy service, specialized intensive care unit, cardiac care unit, nursing care, medical and surgical nursing care, and a home health care agency.

The MCH medical staff consists of 62 active staff, 5 provisional, 2 honorary (retired), 6 consulting and 15 courtesy staff, encompassing a wide range of specialties. The hospital employs over 900 people in over 40 different departments.

*Outpatient buildings on campus include:*

**MCH Outpatient Center:** August 2, 1993 marked the opening day of the newly constructed Outpatient Center, located in front of the hospital. Outpatient services include: radiology (x-ray), a drawing station (lab) and physical, occupational, and speech therapy.

**MCH Family Health Services Clinic:** On October 8, 1998 the Family Health Services Clinic relocated to 1210 East Almond Avenue in front of the hospital. The Clinic has been open since April 13, 1992. Nurse Practitioners and their staff see over 1,800 patients a month. Patients requiring non-urgent care can be seen in the Family Health Services Clinic, allowing the Emergency Department to treat urgent patient care needs.

**MCH Children's Visitors Center:** The Children's Visitors Center opened for children on April 5, 2004. The Children's Visitor Center is available to clients who have a medical appointment, hospital emergency care or person visiting patients on the hospital grounds. Children can visit for up to two hours while their parents are using hospital services or visiting patients

**MCH Outpatient Surgery Center:** The Outpatient Surgery Center opened September 26, 1995. 70% of surgeries are done on an outpatient basis. The Surgery Center is 7,300 square feet and has three operating rooms as well as Pre-Op and Post-Op holding areas which are complete with private recovery beds and six recliners.

**MCH Home Health Agency:** Established in 1985, the Madera Community Hospital Home Health Agency provides Skilled Nursing, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, and Social Services. Medicare, Medi-Cal, and most private insurance plans are accepted. The Home Health Agency serves patients in Madera, South Merced, and Northwest Fresno Counties.

**Lifeline®:** A personal emergency response system that initiates calls for help when needed. You and your loved ones can have peace of mind, knowing you have Lifeline for health emergencies. You will be surprised how inexpensive peace of mind can be. Call the MCH Home Health Agency at (559) 675-2000 for more information.

**Rehabilitation Services:** MCH Rehabilitation Services include Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, and Speech Therapy. Programs include: work and sport-related injuries, stroke rehabilitation, balance and walk training, back care, osteoporosis, women's health issues, hand injuries, post-amputation recovery, swallowing disorders, joint replacement, incontinence, retraining for activities of daily living, and more. Medicare, Medi-Cal, Workers' Compensation, and most private insurance plans are accepted.

*Madera Community Hospital Fundraising Organizations include:*

**MCH Foundation:** The Foundation is made up of 25 community leaders whose main purpose is fundraising for Madera Community Hospital. The President of the Foundation serves on the Board of Trustees. Since its beginning the Foundation has raised over \$2,500,000.00 for Madera Community Hospital. Please call the Foundation Office at (559) 675-5503 for more information.

**MCH League Of Volunteers:** Madera Community Hospital has a very active League of Volunteers who volunteer their time to provide assistance throughout the hospital. The President of the League is also a member of the Board of Trustees. The League has 100 active volunteers, 90 sustaining volunteers and 30 junior volunteers. The League began in 1968, even before the Hospital opened. They have earned over \$1,200,000.00 since their beginning and have volunteered over 600,000 hours. Volunteering opportunities are available; please call (559) 675-5503 for more information.

## MADERA MULTI SPECIALTY GROUP

Madera Multi Specialty Group (MMSG) was established in 1999 as an Independent Practice Association (IPA), uniting local physicians in an organization that is physician owned and operated. MMSG's panel of seventy-plus primary care and specialty physicians are dedicated to providing comprehensive, high-quality healthcare in a caring and compassionate setting. The Madera Chamber of Commerce is proud to provide the Madera Multi Specialty Group Physicians Directory upon request or you may call the MMSG office at (559) 675-5592.

## MADERA VALLEY PHYSICIANS ASSOCIATION

Madera Valley Physicians Association (MVPA) was incorporated in 1986, uniting a superior panel of physicians with the common goal of providing high-quality health care to the residents of Madera. MVPA physicians are contracted with most major health plans offered by Madera employers. Individuals may choose their personal physician from MVPA's extensive panel of primary care physicians and specialists. MVPA physicians provide quality care efficiently and responsibly, right here at home. For additional information, please call the Madera Valley Physicians Association at (559) 675-5599.

*This information provided courtesy of Children's Hospital Central California, Darin M. Camarena Health Centers, Madera Community Hospital, Madera County Behavioral Health Services, Madera Multi Specialty Group and the Madera Valley Physicians Association.*





# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

## MCEDC OVERVIEW & GOALS

### Overview

The Madera County Economic Development Commission (MCEDC) is a Joint Powers Authority comprised of the County of Madera, the City of Madera, and the City of Chowchilla. Commission members represent the Joint Powers agencies, Chambers of Commerce within Madera County, Workforce Investment Board, industrial and public utility sectors.

### Goals

The general goals of the Commission are:

1. To improve the economic capacity of Madera County
2. To improve the quality of life for the residents of Madera County
3. To ensure a positive economic future to the residents of Madera County

Madera County, "The Perfect Location," encompasses an area of 2,147 square miles and offers two distinct regions. Recognized as one of the world's most productive agricultural regions, the Central Valley is currently experiencing an upsurge in population and business growth. The county's largest manufacturing firms are located in the valley region. Eastern Madera County includes small communities such as Oakhurst, Coarsegold, North Fork and others that are situated in the Sierra Foothills and tourism-related activities are a major component of the economy. Madera County is one of the fastest growing counties in California, the population has increased from 124,696 in 2000 to an estimated 150,887 in 2008 (California State Department of Finance).

The recent influx of new residents and businesses into Madera County illustrates the increased awareness of the potential to be found in California's Central Valley. The entire region is in the midst of a development phase, as companies take advantage of the centralized location, available labor force, affordable lifestyle and other favorable factors.



## MADERA COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Our mission at Madera County Economic Development Commission (MCEDC) is to position Madera County as an economically viable and vibrant county through a multifaceted and diversified economic base. Because we're in the business of long range economic planning we can assist businesses with:

- Large scale, high impact economic development projects
- Site Selection
- Demographics
- Business Incentives
- Workforce Programs
- Streamlined Permitting

MCEDC wants to help companies become more profitable by locating in the geographic center of California where all modes of distribution transportation converge-freeways, rail, trucking and air.

MCEDC also administers several programs to assist local industry and their business needs, below is a listing of our Incentive Programs and Zones.

- Enterprise Zone
- Recycling Marketing Development Zone
- Foreign Trade Zone
- Small Business Revolving Loan Program
- Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Program

Please visit MCEDC's website at [www.maderacountyedc.org](http://www.maderacountyedc.org) for more information. On the website you will find:

- An Industrial and Commercial Properties Listings Database with updated information on available buildings or land sites in Madera County
- Loan programs and applications
- Madera County industry news
- Demographic links
- Tourism information
- "Tools for Business" (A business assistance database)

*This information courtesy of Madera County Economic Development Commission*





# MANUFACTURERS

The Madera Chamber of Commerce is happy to provide you with a list of the Manufacturers in Madera County. If you wish to obtain additional contact information you may contact the Madera District Chamber of Commerce office and purchase an 'Industrial & Manufacturers List' for \$15.00 each. For additional information regarding these manufacturers, please contact the Madera Chamber of Commerce Office at (559) 673-3563.

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# REDEVELOPMENT

The Madera Redevelopment Agency was created by the City to alleviate conditions of blight in older areas of the community. The Redevelopment Agency is able to use special legal and financial mechanisms to eliminate blight and improve economic and physical conditions in designated areas. The Project Area includes 4,207 acres and includes most of the older neighborhoods within the City limits.

The primary goal of redevelopment is to encourage private investment in the Project Area. Past programs and projects have been based upon the following principles.

- Improve the physical and economic condition of Downtown Madera.
- Increase employment opportunities for area residents.
- Improve the quality of the community's housing stock.
- Improve and upgrade community infrastructure.

California state law makes available to redevelopment agencies a method of obtaining funds called "tax increment financing." On the date the City Council approves the Redevelopment Plan, the property within the boundaries of the plan has a certain total property tax value. If this total assessed valuation increases over time, most of the taxes that are derived from this increase go to the Redevelopment Agency. These funds are called tax increment. Tax increment revenues, which are expected to be generated in upcoming years, are outlined as follows:

## PROJECTION OF INCREMENTAL TAX REVENUE

### Madera Redevelopment Agency - Original and 1999 Amendment Areas

Fiscal Year	Total Value	Value Over Base of 437,205,000	Gross Tax Increment	Net Tax Increment
2007-08	\$1,211,298,000	\$774,093,000	\$7,741,000	\$3,863,000
2008-09	1,271,863,000	834,658,000	8,347,000	4,168,000
2009-10	1,335,456,000	898,251,000	8,983,000	4,490,000
2010-11	1,402,229,000	965,024,000	9,650,000	4,828,000
2011-12	1,472,341,000	1,035,136,000	10,351,000	5,122,000
2012-13	1,545,958,000	1,108,753,000	11,088,000	5,394,000

Currently, the amount of tax increment is not sufficient to finance the full scope of redevelopment activities and development projects. Consequently, in October 2003, the Agency issued a \$19.4 million dollar bond to fund future redevelopment activities. The Agency will be issuing a \$35± million bond in 2008.



Redevelopment activities have focused on the following areas:

### DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION

Improving the physical and economic conditions of the "central business district" has been a focal point of Agency programs and projects. Activities have included façade renovation programs, streetscape improvements and the acquisition and demolition of substandard buildings and incompatible land uses. The most effective revitalization strategy is to either remove or rehabilitate substandard or obsolete structures.

### COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE

The Redevelopment Agency is aggressively addressing infrastructure deficiencies in older neighborhoods throughout the City. Activities include rehabilitation of parks, installation of curb, gutter, sidewalks and streetlights, storm drainage projects and the construction of raised landscaped medians.

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Agency activities continue to focus on the acquisition of irregular and under-utilized parcels to facilitate larger retail, professional office or high density residential projects. Projects such as the Crossroads Shopping Center and Sugar Pine Village Subdivision are under construction. Current projects include the South E Street corridor, Yosemite Avenue and A Street, Fifth Street and C Street, and Central Avenue and Fresno River corridor.

### HOUSING

Redevelopment law provides that 20% of our tax increment be set aside to increase and improve the supply of affordable housing. Through a number of public and private partnerships, the Agency has created affordable housing opportunities for hundreds of families and generated millions of dollars in private investment.

### NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION

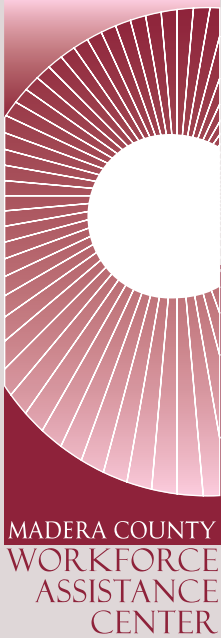
The purpose of the program is to ensure the absence of blight and nuisances and to maintain a clean environment for the citizens of our community. Specifically, the program addresses graffiti, abandoned vehicles, public nuisance and zoning violations, substandard buildings, waste tires and illegal dumping.

*This information provided courtesy of the City of Madera Redevelopment Agency*





# WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



The Madera County Workforce Assistance Center is a partnership of agencies working together to provide a variety of services to Madera County residents and businesses. Through the local system of Workforce Assistance Centers, we offer all individuals the opportunity to know their skills, enhance their skills, and obtain the best employment possible with their skills. Local employers are provided with access to both an available pool of candidates for employment and a broad menu of services to facilitate business growth and development.

The agencies housed in the Madera County Workforce Assistance Center provide a wide range of services including: education, housing, job search assistance, vocational assessment, career counseling, and employment opportunities. Employers will also benefit from having an array of services available to them in one convenient location.

**For more information contact:**

**Madera County Workforce Assistance Center**  
209 East 7th Street, Madera, CA 93638  
(559) 662-4500 (Voice) • (559) 674-7497 (TTY)

**On-Site Partner Agencies**

- California Army National Guard
- Central Valley Opportunity Center, Inc.
- Kings View "Ready, Set, Go!" Program
- Madera County Department of Social Services
- Madera County Workforce Development Office
- Madera Unified School District - Madera Adult School
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- State of California Department of Rehabilitation
- State of California Employment Development Department

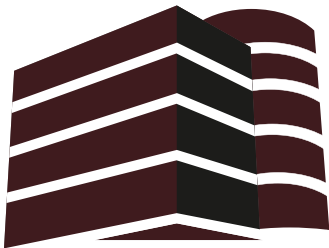
**Visiting Partner Agencies**

- State Center Community College District - Madera Center
- Housing Authority of the City of Madera
- California Conservation Corps
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For more information visit [www.maderacountyworks.com](http://www.maderacountyworks.com) or [www.maderawac.org](http://www.maderawac.org).

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# TOURISM

Gateway to the vast tourism experiences of Madera County and the southern Yosemite region, the City of Madera offers travel services and tourist amenities for nearly everyone. Restaurants, gas stations, and affordable lodging are readily available. Madera serves as the hub for visitors accessing the region from the west on Highway 152, and from the north and south on State Highway 99 traveling to Yosemite National Park or the Sierra National Forest via the Southern Yosemite Highway 41.

Home to the Madera District Fairgrounds, special events and celebrations as well as the Fair itself draw visitors to Madera annually. Other events listed in this directory also appeal to visitors from around the San Joaquin Valley and other parts of California.

Of special note is the Madera Wine Trail. Sponsored and organized by the Madera Vintners Association, the wine trail features some of California's finest wines. The Vintners host several events each year drawing people from all around the area. For tasting times and appointment information, visit their website at [www.maderavintners.com](http://www.maderavintners.com) or stop by the Chamber office for a copy of their Wine Trail Map.

Each year the Yosemite Sierra Visitors Bureau publishes a regional Visitors Guide. This colorful and informative guide to the southern Yosemite region is ideal for planning your next outing in the area or

for sending to friends coming to visit. It is also a great tool along with this directory for showing clients about our area. Contact the Madera District Chamber office for your free copy.

Tourism is an important economic development tool for Madera County. Over \$195 million dollars in visitor spending occurs annually. This includes spending for accommodations, food and beverage, fuel, recreation, entertainment and shopping. Over 3,000 jobs are generated by tourism with earnings of about \$67 million. Local tax receipts generated by travel spending exceeded \$3.2 million in 2006. The Transient Occupancy Tax (T.O.T.) or Bed Tax has reached over \$1.8 million per year. The County of Madera collected \$1,863,968 in T.O.T. for the fiscal year 2007-08. The City of Madera accounts for an additional \$426,000 per year in T.O.T. that goes into the city general fund.

*SOURCES: California Travel & Tourism Commission; California Travel Impacts by County, 1992-2006, 2007 Prelim. State Estimates, Dean Runyan Associates, Inc., March 2008 and the Madera County Economic Development Commission*

For more information on tourism activities and recreation opportunities contact the Madera District Chamber of Commerce at (559) 673-3563 or the Yosemite Sierra Visitors Bureau at (559) 683-4636.

*This information provided courtesy of the Yosemite Sierra Visitors Bureau and the Madera County Economic Development Commission*

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# THINGS TO DO IN MADERA...

The Madera Parks & Community Services Department is the focal point of a variety of services and facilities, which benefit the citizens of the City and County of Madera. Young and older residents alike may avail themselves of its services. When the City and the citizens met at a series of town-hall and focus group meetings during 2006 in order to create a cohesive, shared image for Madera in the future; the result was the Madera Vision 2025 Plan. Using Vision 2025 as a guide, the department's mission and focus is centered around a plan that is truly community created and community driven.

## PARKS DIVISION

The City Parks Division maintains numerous city-owned parks and facilities. Picnic accommodations are available and open to the public. However, popular areas require a reservation and a fee is attached to their use. Lions Town & Country Park on Howard Road between Schnoor and Granada, Sunrise Rotary Sports Complex on Clinton Avenue and Rotary Park on North Gateway Drive are the largest and most popular areas. Lions Town & Country Park and the Millview Sports Complex offer ball fields. Rotary Park and the Millview Sports Complex offer soccer fields. All three locations offer grassy picnic sites with tables and small barbecues. Each has a large covered pavilion area and restrooms. An amphitheater at Lions Town & Country Park has become a popular summer weekend concert site with the Madera County Arts Council sponsoring free outdoor entertainment - a pleasant, cool evening under the stars. Centennial Park at Fourth and Flume Streets is the site of the municipal swim pool. Summer recreational swimming, swim lessons and the park's grassy area are favorite summer uses.

## OLDER ADULT SERVICES DIVISION

The Older Adult Services Division is a county-wide program where the goal is to improve the quality of life for older adults of Madera County. A weekday meal program, a variety of recreational activities, entertainment, classes, trips, educational programs, health and wellness programs, summer swim and Adult Day Care and Respite are offered.

The program center sites serve as information and assistance centers. These sites are prepared to assist in the areas of tax assistance, housing information, agency referrals and public information. Health clinics (blood pressure, hearing screening and various related screenings) are held monthly. A flu shot clinic is offered in the fall courtesy of the Madera County Health Department.

The Madera Adult Day Care and Respite Center provides a compassionate alternative to families caring for loved ones who have Dementia, Parkinson's disease, Alzheimer's disease or other related disorders. The program is available Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. There is a suggested donation for services as well as a nominal charge for a hot meal served daily.

## GOLF COURSE DIVISION

The Madera Municipal Golf Course is located at Road 23 and Avenue 17 off Highway 99 and is an 18 hole, par 72, championship golf course. You will find a friendly and professional staff in the pro-shop and lounge as well as an elegant and spacious banquet facility. A golf course membership program is also available.

## RECREATION DIVISION

A major part of the Madera Parks and Community Services Department is the Recreation Division. The services of the Recreation Division include after school programs, teen center activities, youth sports, special events, adult sports, developmentally disabled program, aquatics, facility rentals, and operation of grant funded programs.

After school programs are offered by the Department Monday through Friday at the Pan American Center, and Westside Activity Center. Each program is unique and offers a wide variety of activities for ages 6 thru 12. The programs offer quality recreation activities that help to build a child's confidence and self-esteem.

A Teen Program is offered at the Pan American Center Monday through Friday from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The program offers health education classes, speakers, cooking classes, sports, game room, trips, movie/karaoke night, and job development skills. The overall program focuses on teen development, health education and having a fun experience. Call the Pan American Center for further information at (559) 675-2095.

The Youth Sports program operated by the Department includes youth basketball and T-Ball. Registration for the youth basketball program begins in October and T-Ball sign-ups start in January. Other youth sports programs are conducted by a variety of organizations. The organizations include Little League, Youth Soccer, Bobby Sox, Babe Ruth and Youth Football.

Throughout the year the Parks and Community Services Department collaborates with service clubs and community organizations to offer a variety of special events. The special events include Holiday events, Santa's Workshop, Halloween Parade, Easter Egg Hunt, Family Fun Day, the 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular, the Fireman's Muster and the Classic Car Show.

Adult Sports include basketball, softball, co-ed mush ball, volleyball and co-ed dodge ball. Leagues in adult basketball are offered for open division teams, church teams and a business/industrial league. Softball leagues are conducted in the spring, summer and fall. Leagues are offered for lower, middle and upper level teams, along with co-ed and church leagues. In the fall, the Department offers co-ed mush ball, volleyball and co-ed dodge ball.

A program for the developmentally disabled adult population is offered on Saturdays. The program is called the Special Needs Adult Program (SNAP). In addition, the program also serves as a respite for care providers of the developmentally disabled. Activities include dances, arts & crafts, sports, movies, bowling and special events.

The Department operates an aquatics program during the months of June, July and August at the recently renamed Centennial Park. Included in the swimming program are public swimming and swim lessons Monday through Friday. The pool can also be rented on Saturday evenings and on Sundays. Several of the Madera schools utilize the pool as part of their curriculum in the mornings.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

The Parks and Community Services Department offers several facilities that can be rented. The community centers include the Pan American Center and the Frank Bergon Senior Center. Private events at the centers are ideal for large wedding receptions, social gatherings, baptisms and birthday parties.





Facilities available to rent also include the Westside Activity Center and the Rotary Youth Hut. Both of these facilities are ideal for smaller gatherings such as meetings, social gatherings, church services, birthday parties and classes.

Specific information about these programs are available at the Parks and Community Services Department, 1030 South Gateway, Madera, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. All of the activities are outlined in the Department's Fall/Winter and Spring/Summer Leisure Line-up that is available at the Parks and Community Services office. Brochures are also available about renting any of the Department's facilities. General information can also be obtained by calling (559) 661-5495 or visit the City of Madera website, [www.cityofmadera.org](http://www.cityofmadera.org), Parks & Community Services Department.

*This information provided courtesy of the City of Madera Parks & Community Services Department*

## CITY OF MADERA - FACILITIES & PARKS

Brochures are available about renting any of the City's facilities; for additional information regarding any of the following City of Madera facilities and parks, please call Madera Parks and Community Services at (559) 661-5495 or visit the City of Madera website, [www.cityofmadera.org](http://www.cityofmadera.org), Parks & Community Services Facilities or Parks Rental Sections

### FACILITIES

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238 South D Street (559) 673-4293
- Madera Adult Day Care & Respite Center  
322 West 6th Street (559) 675-3119
- Mexican American Activity Center  
716 Columbia (559) 674-3518
- Pan-American Community Center  
703 East Sherwood Way (559) 675-2095
- Rotary Youth Hut, 113 South Q Street
- Westside Activity Center  
1124 West Yosemite Avenue (559) 673-0873

### PARKS

- Centennial Park, located at Fourth and Flume Streets
- Lions Town & Country Park, located on Howard Road between Schnoor and Granada
- McNally Park, located between Roosevelt and A Streets
- Pan-Am Park, located on the corner of Sherwood Way and North Lake Street
- Rotary Park & Zero Gravity Skate Park, located on North Gateway Drive and Cleveland Avenue
- Sunrise Rotary Sports Complex (formerly Millview), located at the end of Clinton Avenue
- Neighborhood Parks (Knox, Maple Court, Riverside and Riverview) are distributed throughout neighborhoods and provide a focal point for neighborhood activity. Park features are modest and flexible and may include multi-purpose turf areas, one or two play fields for informal play, tot lots, court-game areas, picnic and seating areas and specialized facilities for special-user groups.

Other private facilities are available for public use, for a complete list of PUBLIC HALLS, MEETING PLACES AND PARK FACILITIES and their contact information, please call the Chamber of Commerce Office at (559) 673-3563.

## LAKES AND NATIONAL PARKS *(Mileage is approximate)*

- Bass Lake...  
51 miles from Madera (559) 642-3121
- Eastman Lake (US Army Corps of Engineers)...  
21 miles from Madera (559) 689-3255
- Hensley Lake (US Army Corps of Engineers)...  
17 miles from Madera (559) 673-5151
- Huntington Lake (US Forest Service)...  
70 miles from Madera (559) 297-0706
- Millerton Lake (California State Park)...  
22 miles from Madera (559) 822-2332
- San Luis Reservoir (California State Park)...  
35 miles from Madera (209) 826-1196
- Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Park...  
114 miles from Madera (559) 565-3135
- Wassama Round House (California State Park)...  
48 miles from Madera (559) 822-2332
- Yosemite National Park...  
57 miles from Madera (209) 372-0200

## OTHER FUN THINGS TO DO...

- Cinema...Madera Cinema 6 & Madera Drive-In Theatre
- Madera Municipal Golf Course (Public)
- Madera Golf & Country Club (Private)
- Riverbend Golf Club - Coombs Ranch (Public)
- Bally Total Fitness
- Cho's Tae Kwon-Do Black Belt School
- Chukchansi Gold Resort and Casino
- Circle Gallery
- Cornfield Maze at Cobb Ranch
- Curves for Women
- Farmers' Market
- Fresno Falcons Professional Hockey
- Fresno Grizzlies Baseball (AAA affiliate of the SF Giants)
- Heartland Adventure Trails & Madera Bloom Trail by Home Grown Cellars®
- Madera Athletic Club
- Madera County Museum & Historical Society
- Madera County Public Library
- Madera District Fairgrounds Events
- Madera Mammoths & Fairmead Fossils
- Madera School of Gymnastics and Sports Acrobatics
- Madera Speedway
- Madera Wine Trail
- Miracle Skate (Rolling Skating Rink)
- Pizza Farm & Pumpkin Patch at Cobb Ranch
- Pump It Up - The Inflatable Party Zone
- San Joaquin River Parkway & Conservation Trust 'River Center'
- Summer Concerts in the Park
- Swap Meet at the Madera Drive-In
- Swap Meet at the Madera District Fairgrounds
- Table Mountain Rancheria Casino & Bingo
- Valley Bowl (Bowling Alley)
- Williams Kenpo Karate
- Yosemite Sierra Visitors Bureau
- Zero Gravity Skate Park

## SPORTS PROGRAMS INCLUDE...

Adult Soccer League, Fresno State Bulldog Athletics, Madera American & National Little Leagues, Madera Aquatic Team, Madera Babe Ruth Baseball, Madera Bobby Sox Softball, Madera Community Youth Cheer, Madera Community Youth Football, Madera High Coyote Athletics, Madera South High School Stallion Athletics, Madera Lil' Coyote Basketball, and Madera Youth Soccer League

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	BREAKFAST	LUNCH	DINNER	SUNDAY BRUNCH	DAYS OPEN	24 HOURS	CLOSED	COCKTAIL BAR	BEER & WINE	RESTAURANT SEATING	TAKE OUT ONLY	BANQUET ROOM & PRIVATE PARTIES	BANQUET ROOM CAPACITY	CATERING	MUSIC	DELIVERY
<b>CONTINENTAL</b>																
CASEY'S IRON HORSE SALOON		♦	♦		7d			♦	♦	100		♦	100		♦	
CHUKCHANSI GOLD RESORT & CASINO <i>California Market Buffet · Deuces Diner · Goldfield's Café Nativos · Noodle Bar Asian Bistro · The Bakery · Vintage Steak House</i>	CALL FOR DETAILS															
I.H.O.P. RESTAURANT	♦	♦	♦	♦	7d					135		♦	45			
MADERA CLUBHOUSE RESTAURANT & BAR	♦	♦			7d			♦	♦	72		♦	250-320	♦		
MADERA VALLEY INN - COFFEE SHOP	♦	♦	♦	♦	7d			♦	♦	80		♦	40			
SWEET INDULGENCE - DELI & ICE CREAM	CALL FOR DETAILS															
THE PINES RESORT <i>Ducey's · Lakeside Grill</i>	CALL FOR DETAILS															
THE TACKLE BOX TOO <i>Meat &amp; Greet Deli</i>		♦	Sa/Su		7d					6-35		♦	35-200	♦	♦	♦
THE VINEYARD RESTAURANT & BAR		♦	♦		6d		Su	♦	♦	125		♦	55			
<b>CHINESE</b>																
MADERA ASIAN BUFFET	CALL FOR DETAILS															
<b>ITALIAN</b>																
DiCICCO'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT		♦	♦		7d				♦	84		♦	45			♦
<b>MEXICAN</b>																
LA PLAZA MINI MART <i>Don Enrique's Taqueria</i>	♦	♦	♦		7d					40		♦	12			♦
SAL'S MEXICAN RESTAURANT		♦	♦	♦	7d			♦	♦	80-100				♦	♦	♦
<b>PIZZA</b>																
PAPA MURPHY'S PIZZA		♦	♦		7d					N/A	♦					
PIZZA HUT		♦	♦		7d					N/A	♦			♦		♦
ROUND TABLE PIZZA		♦	♦		7d				♦	225-250		♦	50-35-35			♦
<b>FAST FOOD</b>																
FASTWAY FRIED CHICKEN	♦	♦	♦		7d					N/A	♦					
JACK IN THE BOX RESTAURANT - GATEWAY DRIVE	♦	♦	♦		7d	♦				68						
JACK IN THE BOX RESTAURANT - AVENUE 12	♦	♦	♦		7d	♦				68						
KENTUCKY FRIED CHICKEN	CALL FOR DETAILS															
McDONALD'S RESTAURANT - HOWARD ROAD	CALL FOR DETAILS															
McDONALD'S RESTAURANT - CLEVELAND AVENUE	CALL FOR DETAILS															
McDONALD'S RESTAURANT - WALMART	CALL FOR DETAILS															
McDONALD'S RESTAURANT - YOSEMITE AVENUE	CALL FOR DETAILS															
QUIZNO'S		♦	♦		7d					63					♦	♦
<b>CATERING (some information may not apply to Caterers)</b>																
CENTRAL VALLEY CATERERS/RANCHOS CAFÉ	♦	♦	♦	♦	7d					85				♦	♦	♦
GUS'S FOOD LOCKER & CATERING SERVICE		♦	♦		6d		Su							♦		♦
MCH CUSTOM CATERING	♦	♦	♦		7d	♦						♦	70	♦		♦





# LODGING IN MADERA

		# OF UNITS	SWIMMING POOL	TELEVISION	IN-ROOM PHONE	DISABILITY ACCESS	PETS ALLOWED	MICROWAVE OR KITCHENETTE	NON-SMOKING	PRIVATE BATHS	JACUZZI TUBS	HOT TUB OR SPA	INTERNET ACCESS	BREAKFAST FULL/CONTINENTAL	TRAVEL AGENT COMMISSIONS	WINTER RATES	SUMMER RATES
Resort	<b>Chukchansi Gold Resort &amp; Casino</b> 711 Lucky Lane, Coarsegold CA 93614 (559) 692-5200 · (866) 794-6946 · (559) 692-5330 FAX · www.chukchansigold.com	404	◆	◆	◆	◇	NO		◇	◆	◇	◆	◆		NO	\$99-164	\$159-224
Hotel	<b>Hampton Inn &amp; Suites</b> 3254 Airport Drive, Madera CA 93637 (559) 661-0910 · (800) HAMPTON · (559) 661-0925 FAX · www.hamptoninn.com	78	◆	◆	◆	◇	NO	◆	◆	◆	◇		◆	C	YES	\$99-149	\$99-149
Hotel	<b>Holiday Inn Express &amp; Suites</b> 2290 Marketplace Drive, Madera CA 93637 (559) 661-7400 · (877) 863-4780 · (559) 673-4800 FAX · www.ichotelsgroup.com	62	◆	◆	◆	◇	NO	◆	◆	◆	◇	◆	◆	F	NO	\$119	\$119
Hotel	<b>Madera Valley Inn</b> 317 North G Street, Madera CA 93637 (559) 664-0100 · (559) 664-0200 FAX · www.maderavalleyinn.com	93	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◇	◆				◆	C	NO	\$59-79	\$69-79
Hotel	<b>Springhill Suites by Marriott</b> 1219 East Almond Ave., Madera CA 93637 (209) 574-5823 · (209) 523-2762 FAX · www.rimhospitality.com	88	OPENING SPRING 2009!														
Resort	<b>The Pines Resort</b> 54432 Road 432, Bass Lake CA 93604 (559) 642-3121 · (800) 350-7463 · (559) 642-3902 FAX · www.basslake.com	107	◆	◆	◆	◇	◇	◇	◆	◆	◇		◆	F/C	◆	\$99-259	\$189-389
Lodge	<b>The Pines Resort - Lodge</b> 54432 Road 432, Bass Lake CA 93604 (559) 642-3121 · (800) 350-7463 · (559) 642-3902 FAX · www.basslake.com	6	◆	◆	◆	◆	◇	◆	◆	◆	◇		◆	◇	◆	\$99-249	\$179-369

◇ Some Units ◆ All Units



The mission of the Madera District Chamber of Commerce is to support a diverse regional economy by promoting a thriving business environment that contributes to our community's quality of life.

### OUR COMMITMENT:

*The Madera District Chamber of Commerce strives to...*

- Endorse a Strong Local Economy
- Represent and Advocate on Behalf of Business
- Provide Opportunities for Enhancing Business Connections
- Promote Our Community

*For more information concerning membership or information about our community, contact:*

**MADERA DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**  
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# CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

The Madera Chamber of Commerce is happy to provide you with a list of our local associations, clubs and organizations. If you wish to obtain additional contact information you may contact the Madera District Chamber of Commerce office and purchase an Association, Clubs & Organizations List for \$10.00 each.

- African American Historical Museum
- Al ANon
- Al ATeen
- Alegria Guild of Children's Hospital-Central CA
- American Association of University Women (AAUW)
- American Cancer Society
- American Diabetes Association - Madera Chapter
- American Heart Association
- American Historical Society of Germans from Russia
- American Legion Madera Post #11
- American Legion Madera Post #11 - Ladies Auxiliary
- American Lung Association of Central California
- American Red Cross Fresno/Madera Chapter
- Association of Mexican American Educators
- Better Breathers Club
- Better Business Bureau of the San Joaquin Valley
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central California
- Big Valley Horseshoe League
- Boy Scouts of America
- California Center for Justice (CCFJ)
- California Grand Jurors' Association-Madera County
- California Retired Teachers Association-Madera Div #79
- California Rural Legal Assistance, Inc.
- Camp Fire USA Heart of California Council
- Central-CA ACHA (Adult Congenital Heart Association)
- Central California Blood Center
- Central California Falcon Car Club
- Central California Winegrowers
- Central California Woodcarvers
- Central Valley Accordion Club
- Central Valley Writers' Workshop (CVWW)
- Charros Unidos de Madera
- Christian Businessmen Committee
- Community Action Partnership of Madera County
- Ducks Unlimited, Inc. Western Regional Office
- Engine Company #19 - Sparklers Auxiliary
- F.A.N. Club (Foundation of High School Athletic Needs)
- Fairmead Community & Friends
- Filipino-American Women's Club of Fresno and Vicinity
- Fresno Stage Robbers Cowboy Mounted Shooters
- Fresno-Madera Medical Society
- Friends of Madera County Library
- Friends of Madera FFA
- Friends of the Madera Animal Shelter
- Girl Scouts Golden Valley Council
- Greater Madera County Industrial Association-GMCIA
- Heart of California Quilters' Guild
- Heartland Opportunity Center
- Hinds Hospice
- Italian Catholic Federation Madera Branch #27
- Italo-American Women's Auxiliary
- Kiwanis Club of Madera
- Latinas Unidas
- Madera 20/30 Club #160
- Madera Academic Youth Alliance Club (MAYA)
- Madera Aeromodelers Radio Control Society #2150
- Madera Agricultural Youth Association
- Madera Alcoholics Anonymous
- Madera American Little League
- Madera Aquatics Team
- Madera Association of Realtors
- Madera Babe Ruth
- Madera Bobby Sox Softball
- Madera Breakfast Lions Club
- Madera Camera Club
- Madera Chapter Order of Eastern Star #92
- Madera Christian Singles Network
- Madera Coalition for Community Justice
- Madera Community Hospital Foundation
- Madera Community Hospital League of Volunteers
- Madera Community Hospital Sunrise Kiwanis
- Madera Community Youth Cheer
- Madera Community Youth Football, Inc.
- Madera COMPACT
- Madera County 4-H Leaders Council
- Madera County Ag Boosters
- Madera County Amateur Radio Club
- Madera County Arts Council



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**For more information about our programs and activities please call 559-248-8480 or visit [www.riverparkway.org](http://www.riverparkway.org).**

**Madera Evening Lions Club**  
 Community Service Organization



**Meetings**  
 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays  
 6:00pm

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- Madera County Asthma Collaborative
- Madera County Cattlewomen's Association
- Madera County Democratic Central Committee
- Madera County Deputy Sheriff's Association
- Madera County Farm Bureau
- Madera County Farm Bureau Women of Arcola
- Madera County Food Bank
- Madera County Historical Aircraft Association
- Madera County Historical Society
- Madera County Republican Central Committee
- Madera County Special Olympics
- Madera County Umpire Association
- Madera Democratic Club
- Madera Downtown Association
- Madera Educational Foundation (MUSD)
- Madera Elks B.P.O.E. Lodge #1918
- Madera Emblem Club #271
- Madera Evening Lions Club
- Madera FFA Chapter
- Madera Friends of the National Rifle Association
- Madera High 12 Club
- Madera High School Band Boosters
- Madera High School Coyote Athletic Boosters Club
- Madera High School PTA
- Madera I-Lan Sister City Corporation
- Madera Indoor Soccer
- Madera Interact
- Madera Leo Club
- Madera Marlins Diving
- Madera Masonic Lodge #280
- Madera Multi Specialty Group, A Medical Corporation
- Madera Narcotics Anonymous
- Madera National Little League
- Madera Odd Fellow Lodge #327
- Madera Police Activities League (PAL)
- Madera Police Department Volunteers
- Madera Police Officers Association
- Madera Rancho's Kiwanis Club
- Madera Rebekah Lodge #159
- Madera Republican Women Federation
- Madera Rescue Mission Auxiliary
- Madera Rescue Mission, Inc.
- Madera Rotary Club
- Madera Senior Citizens Club
- Madera South High School Academic Boosters
- Madera South High School Band Boosters
- Madera South High School PTA
- Madera South High School Stallion Athletic Boosters
- Madera Sunrise Rotary
- Madera Unified Teachers Association
- Madera Valley Physicians Association
- Madera Vintners Association
- Madera Volleyball Club
- Madera Young Farmers
- Madera Youth Soccer League (MYSL)
- Mexican American Senior Citizens
- NAACP Branch #1084
- NAACP Branch #1739 Youth Council Unit
- New Hope Madera
- Norden Lodge #684, Vasa Order of America
- North Fork Mono Rancheria
- Order of the Sons of Italy Madera Lodge #2073
- Pan American Club
- Rancho's/Hills Seniors Inc.
- Red Hat Society - Grapevine Red Hatters of Madera
- Republican Party of Madera County
- Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Central Valley
- San Joaquin River Parkway & Conservation Trust
- San Joaquin Valley Paleontology Foundation
- Scottish Society of Central California
- Senior Citizens - Mexican American Club
- Sierra Mono Indian Museum
- Sons of the American Revolution
- Soroptimist International Club of Madera
- Southeast Garden Club
- Star Motorcycle Chapter 399 - Madera
- Taxpayers Association of Madera County
- The Justin Woods Foundation
- TOPS Club, Inc. #CA 1871
- Toy Train Operating Society
- UCCE Madera Master Gardeners
- United Way of Madera County
- V.F.W. Post #1981
- V.F.W. Post #1981-Ladies Auxiliary
- Velo Promo
- Woman's Improvement Club of Madera
- Yosemite Association
- Yosemite Sierra Visitors Bureau
- Young Ladies' Institute, San Joaquin #118
- Young Mens' Institute

**The Justin Woods Foundation** 


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**Contact Sandy Smith at 559.674.4426 for more information.**

*The Justin Woods Foundation is a non-profit organization. Federal Tax ID #77-0572301*

 **MADERA SUNRISE ROTARY**

**Meets at Madera Municipal Golf Course Wednesday mornings at 6:30 am**

*For More Information Contact:*  
Madera Sunrise Rotary • Club President  
P.O. Box 431 • Madera, CA 93730

 **MADERA ROTARY CLUB**

**Meets at Madera Municipal Golf Course Tuesdays at 12:00 noon**

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Madera Rotary Club • Club President  
P.O. Box 135 • Madera, CA 93639

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# PLACES OF WORSHIP & FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS

The Madera Chamber of Commerce is proud to co-host the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast with the Madera Ministerial Association annually on the National Day of Prayer (1st Thursday in May). We also provide the following information as a courtesy to our community and offer a complimentary detailed list of 'Places of Worship & Faith-Based Organizations' at our office located at 120 North E Street in Madera.

- Adell Baptist Church
- Aglow International of Madera
- Apostolic Assembly
- Asamblea Apostolica
- Bethel Southern Baptist Church
- Building for Christ Church
- Calvary Chapel Fellowship
- Celebrate Life International, Inc.
- Central California Ministries, Inc. (CCMF)
- Central California Women's Facilities-Chaplain Services
- Change of Heart Band
- Chawanakee Academy at Lighthouse
- Children's Hospital of Central CA-Chaplain Services
- Christian Businessmen Committee
- Church of God
- Church of God of Prophecy
- Church of God of Prophecy - Spanish
- Church of God Seventh Day
- Church of God Spanish Pentecostal
- Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints/1st Ward
- Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints/2nd Ward
- Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints/3rd Ward
- Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints/Ranch
- Church of the Living God
- Church of the Living God Pillar and Ground of Truth
- Community Bible Church
- Cristo La Roca
- Crossroads Christian School
- Delta Life Foursquare Church
- Doors of Hope Pregnancy Care Center
- Eastside Church of God
- Ebenezer Apostolic Church
- Emmanuel Temple Church
- Faith Tabernacle
- Faith Tabernacle Christian Academy
- Family Community Fellowship Church
- First Assembly of God-Madera
- First Baptist Child Care Center
- First Baptist Church of Madera
- First Christian Church of Madera
- First Free Will Baptist Church of Madera
- First Southern Baptist Church
- Flipside Christian Church
- Fourth Street Church of God
- Free Grace Church
- Fresno/Madera Youth for Christ
- Full Life Ministries
- Golden Valley Baptist Church
- Good News Ministries
- Gospel Tabernacle
- Grace Community Church
- Grace Tabernacle Church-Fairmead
- Harvest Community Church
- Harvest Community Church Preschool
- Help is on the Way
- Highways & Byways Ministries
- Hinds Hospice
- Holy Family Table
- Holy Spirit Community Fellowship Healing Center
- Holy Trinity Episcopal Church
- Hosanna Worship Center Bilingual Assembly of God
- Hull Avenue Church of God in Christ
- Iglesia Adventista
- Iglesia Bautista El Calvario
- Iglesia Bautista Nueva Esperanza
- Iglesia Biblica de la Comunidad
- Iglesia Christiana
- Iglesia Ciudad de Refugio
- Iglesia de Dios
- Iglesia de Jesus Cristo
- Iglesia Del Dios Vivo La Luz Del Mundo
- Iglesia Del Nazareno
- Iglesia Emmanuel Spanish Services
- Iglesia Pentecostal Unida Hispana
- Iglesia Roca de Salvacion
- Iglesia Unida Apostolica
- Jehovah's Witnesses Assembly Hall
- Jehovah's Witnesses Kingdom Hall
- Jesus Christ Church, Inc.
- Jubilee Church
- Knights of Columbus, St. Joseph Marelo Council #3643
- Knox Chapel AME Zion Church
- La Iglesia de Dios de la Profecia
- Lake Street Fellowship
- Lambs of Christ Child Care Center
- Little Hope Primitive Baptist Church
- Living Water Fellowship
- Madera Avenue Bible Church
- Madera Baptist Church & Academy
- Madera Christian Fellowship Praise Chapel
- Madera Christian School
- Madera Christian Singles Network
- Madera Community Hospital-Chaplain Services
- Madera County Dept. of Corrections-Chaplain Services
- Madera County Food Bank
- Madera County Men of Integrity
- Madera Family Church of the Nazarene
- Madera Free Will Baptist Church
- Madera Grace Tabernacle
- Madera Hills Bible Church
- Madera Hispanic Ministerial Association
- Madera Islamic Center
- Madera Love INC
- Madera Ministerial Association
- Madera Missionary Baptist
- Madera Pentecostal Church of God
- Madera Ranchos Assembly of God
- Madera Religious Science Church
- Madera Rescue Mission
- Madera Seventh-Day Adventist Church
- Madera Spanish Seventh-Day Adventist Church
- Madera Youth Centers Network
- Madera Youth Network
- Match-Two
- Mission Madera Community Outreach
- Morning Star Baptist Church
- Mount Sinai Church
- Mount Zion Baptist Church
- New Harvest Christian Fellowship
- New Hope Baptist Church
- New Hope Madera
- New Life Evangelistic Center
- North Lake Church of God
- North Madera Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses
- One Nation Under God Motorcycle Ministry
- Panama Mission Foundation
- Parksdale Church of Christ
- Parksdale Southern Baptist Church
- Progressive Church of God in Christ
- Promise Keepers
- S.O.A.R. Ministries
- Saint Joachim Catholic Church
- Saint Joachim School & Preschool
- Salvation Army Thrift Store
- Second Missionary Baptist Church
- Shepherd's Temple Church of God in Christ
- Spanish Church of God of Prophecy
- Spiritual Awareness Center
- Sunrise Church of God in Christ
- Sunset Avenue Church of Christ
- T.L.C. Fellowship, Inc.
- The Believers Church of Madera
- The Christian Business Directory
- The Door Ministry
- The Promised Assurance
- The WORD Christian Store & Salon
- Trinity Episcopal Church
- Trinity Lutheran Church
- United Methodist Church of Madera
- Valley Harvest Church of Madera
- Valley State Prison for Women-Chaplain Services
- Valley Teen Ranch
- Valley West Child Care Center - Head Start
- Valley West Christian Center
- Victim Offender Reconciliation Program (VORP)
- Victory Life Center
- Victory Outreach Madera Church (Alance Victoria)
- Westside Christian Fellowship of Madera
- Woman's Missionary Union First Southern Baptist Church
- Yosemite Christian Center
- Youth Connection of Madera
- Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church





# BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL SERVICE LISTING

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Madera CA 93637  
(559) 674-7692

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www.maderavintners.com

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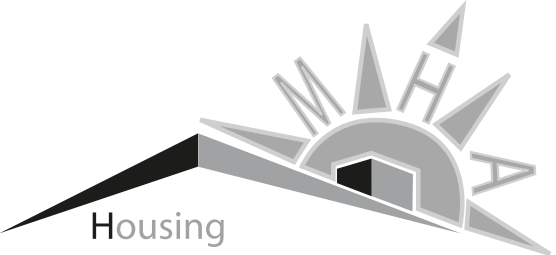
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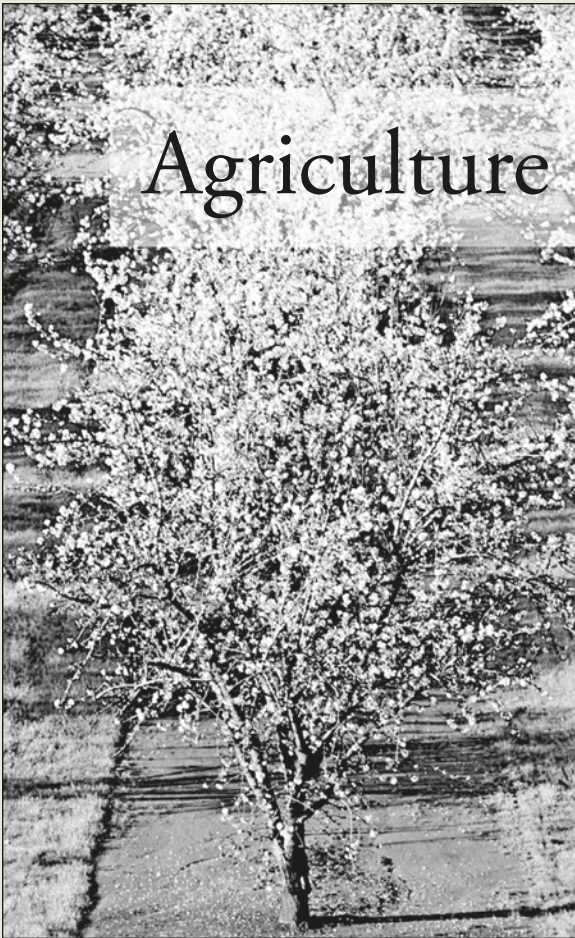
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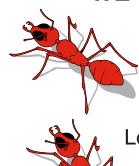
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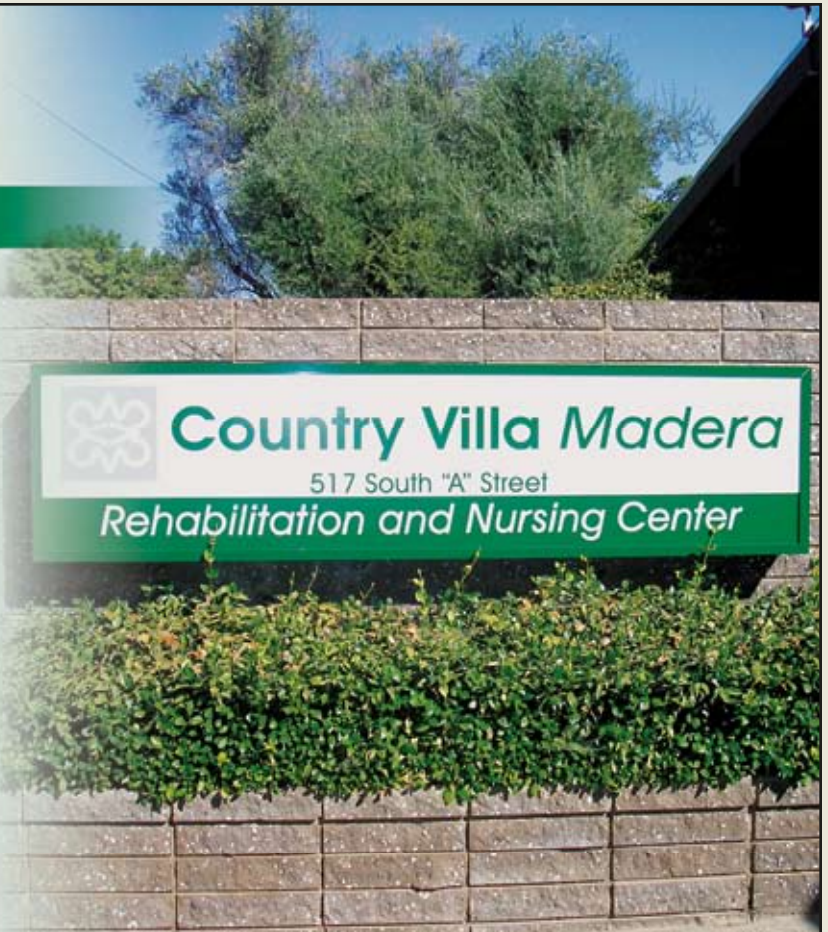
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# PEOPLE FIRST CHAPTER OF MADERA-MARIPOSA COUNTIES, CALIFORNIA

*Heartland Opportunity Center, Inc.  
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The People First Chapter of Madera-Mariposa Counties was chartered on October 23, 2006.

People with developmental disabilities residing in Madera and Mariposa Counties have embarked on a quest to establish a recognized chapter of People First of California, Inc. that unites all interested persons with developmental disabilities in Madera and Mariposa counties to learn the skills they require to formally advocate for themselves to exercise their right to choice and full participation in every aspect of community life.

Every person with a developmental disability, residing in Madera and Mariposa County, that has a desire to learn how to advocate for themselves and a desire to fully participate in their community is welcome to participate in this organization.

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People First is a self-advocacy organization and is part of an international, national, and statewide movement of people with developmental disabilities. People first means that [they] are people first, and that their disability is second.

The members of People First chapters work to increase their self-advocacy skills by learning how to speak for themselves and others and build decision making skills about what is important to their own lives and that of their peers.

As a self-advocacy/self-help organization, members help each other with problems, make friends, and reach out to people with severe disabilities. Members of People First work together to advocate for their rights, train others about disabilities, participate in community projects, hold social events, take political stands and /or plan conferences-conventions-events.

Heartland Opportunity Center has made a commitment to act as a sponsor and advisor to help our community's local People First chapter accomplish their goals. This chapter will, most certainly, continue to evolve in the years ahead to ensure that every person with a developmental disability, residing in Madera and Mariposa County, has an opportunity to fully participate in their community. Towards this end, Heartland has designated staff to serve as a liaison/advisor. People interested in learning more about People First may contact:

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krobbs@heartlandopportunity.com

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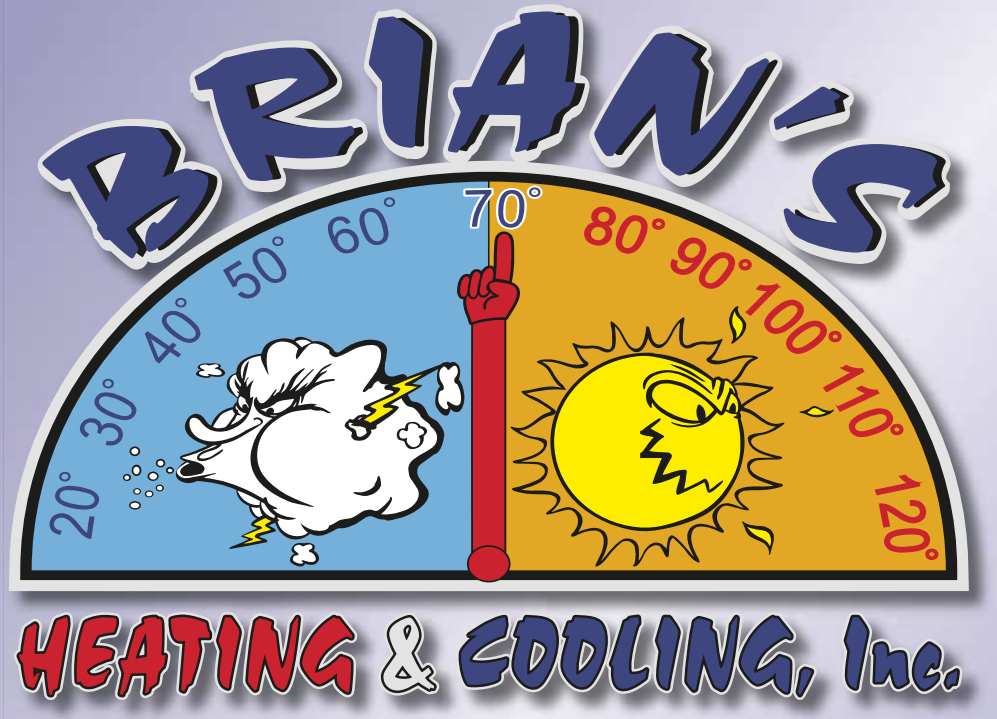


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