

El Cerrito Centennial



Centennial Events

El Cerrito incorporated as a City on August 23, 1917, after a "spirited" vote by the residents of the un-incorporated areas of Stege Junction (near San Pablo and Potrero Avenues) and Rust. Two other small communities were also included in the new town: Schmidville (which was centered around Schmidt Lane) and Schindler (the area near today's Fairmount Ave. and Richmond St.), giving El Cerrito an estimated initial population of 1,400.

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For more event details and volunteer opportunities, visit the City's Centennial website, www.elcerrito100.org

Note: Events and Details are all subject to change.

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Where Recycling is a Pleasure: History of the El Cerrito Recycling Center

Presented by the **Environmental Quality Committee** and **El Cerrito Historical Society**.

Dave Weinstein leads a panel discussion about the history of the city's innovative recycling centers, one of the earliest in the country, one of the longest-lasting and certainly one of the best. Speakers will include people who helped found the center and made it the great place it remains today.

Wednesday, July 19, 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the recycling center at the end of Schmidt Lane.

The recycling event will be accompanied by an event put on by Stege Sanitary District, directly across Schmidt Lane:

Stege Sanitary District, Historical Display and Presentation.

The public sanitary district that serves El Cerrito, Kensington and part of Richmond is more than 100 years old and has emerged as a leader in its field. Learn more about its history and current challenges. Sponsored by Stege Sanitary District, to run in conjunction with the Recycling Center event. **7500 Schmidt lane, at the Offices and yard of the sanitary district. 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

July 3 - Centennial 4th of July Festival Preview Concert

- 5pm - 7pm at Cerrito Vista Park (950 Pomona Ave)
- Hosted by the City of El Cerrito, worldOne Radio and our generous sponsors

July 4 - Centennial 4th of July Festival

- 10am - 6pm at Cerrito Vista Park (950 Pomona Ave)
- Hosted by the City of El Cerrito, worldOne Radio and our generous sponsors
- Details online here.

July 19 - Talk: Where Recycling is a Pleasure (by David Weinstein)

- 6pm-7:30pm at Recycling & Environmental Resource Center (7501 Schmidt Lane)
- History talk hosted by El Cerrito Historical Society , co-sponsored by the

Environmental Quality Committee

More information about these events is online at www.elcerrito100.org