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Madera County E-Biz



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Location*

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News about local business is always welcome!

Madera County EDC assists with business recruitment, expansion and retention with a particular focus on new job creation. We provide free and confidential assistance to businesses looking to expand or relocate to Madera County.

Please contact us if you need the following:

- Business/Project Assistance
- Business Advice
- Business Incentive Information
- Small Business Gap Financing
- Industrial & Commercial Site Selection
- Site Tours

- Demographics
- Quarterly Industrial Vacancy Reports
- Information on Workforce Programs
- General Information or Questions about Madera County

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Local Stats

Madera County Unemployment Rate

[Click to view the graph](#)

October 2023

- Madera County 6.8%
- Central Valley (Avg.) 7.0%
- California 4.8%

*Central Valley average includes San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Merced, Madera, Fresno, Tulare, Kings & Kern counties.

Source: www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov

Featured Property



Minarets Crossings - Vacant Land - Madera County EDC - (Economic Development Commission)

Convenient locations ideal to serve the needs of residents, the Minarets High School students and their parents, the high school faculty and employees, commuters from Bass Lake, Coarsegold, Fish Camp, Oakhurst, and North Fork traveling to Fresno and Madera as well as all tourist travelers traveling to or from Yosemite National Park via the Highway 41, the "south entrance" to Yosemite.

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Madera Industrial WHSE Partners

Now Leasing

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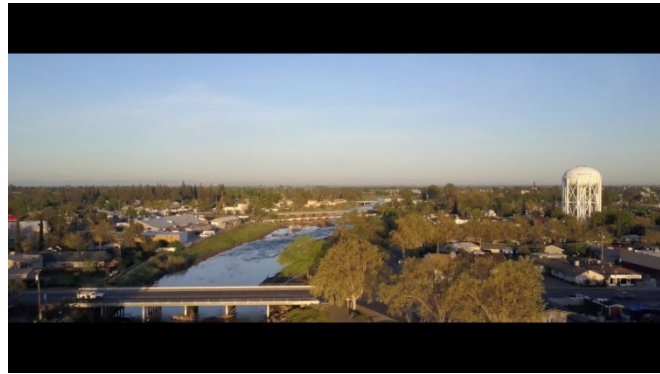
Fig Tree Plaza Chowchilla

Lots Available For Sale

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News



City to celebrate over \$2.5 million in grants for community improvement - City of Madera

The City of Madera is excited to announce the receipt of over \$2.5 million in grants that will bolster public safety and recreation in our community. These significant grants, made possible through the advocacy of our dedicated representatives and support from government agencies, will fund important projects that will improve the quality of life in...

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Madera County: Add a tight retail market to the mix

Despite the negative impacts from the closure of Madera Community Hospital to kick off 2023, the region saw continued growth with the promise of more in 2024 and beyond. Madera has always been known for

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Iconic Loy E. Cook Water Tower to undergo renovation - City of Madera

At the October 4th Madera City Council meeting, the Council unanimously approved a contract to renovate the Loy Cook Water Tower. Situated at the intersection of South and Columbia streets in the city's southwest corner, this iconic water tower, constructed in 1962, boasts a one-million-gallon capacity, symbolizing Madera's growth and resilience over the years.

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Small Business Loan/Grant Programs

The City of Chowchilla has Funding available through the Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus Aid (CDBG-CV) is a federally funded program. CDBG-CV funds may be used to secure economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons. CDBG-CV funds are targeted at businesses in the City that have the highest adverse impact as a result of the Coronavirus.

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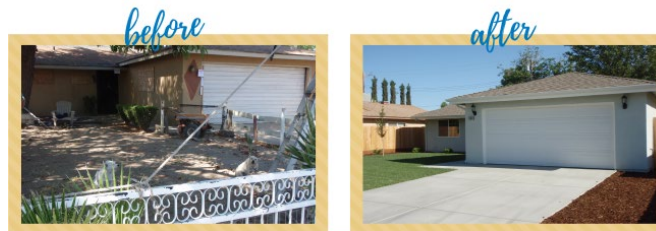
HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM *Chowchilla*

The program is designed to provide financing to repair income eligible and owner-occupied homes in need of essential health and/or safety repairs. The Housing Rehabilitation Program is funded by the State Department of Housing and Community Development Grant Programs. Self-Help Enterprises contracts with the City to determine eligibility and to perform the repairs.

Some common home repairs include: roofing, plumbing, electrical, heating, cooling, insulation, foundation, windows, and handicap accessible modifications.

Financing & Eligibility:

- Families are thoroughly screened to determine eligibility
- Financial assistance is provided through 0% interest deferred payment loans
- Deferred payment loans require no monthly payments for 30 years
- Loans are due and payable upon sale, change of title or change of use (e.g. from owner-occupied to renter-occupied), or in 30 years
- The home must be owner-occupied and located within City limits.



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BOARD OF MADERA COUNTY



**Together,
 We Can Do It**

The Good Jobs Challenge was created to meet the needs of both American workers and industry through a holistic, integrated partnership developing our local talent and placing people into good paying jobs.

BENEFITS TO EMPLOYERS

- Get paid to train employees [Click Here For The Employer Support Form](#)
- Have a seat at the table in a Sector Partnership
- Collaborate with local educators and workforce boards to prepare your workers for the jobs of tomorrow

Please email completed form to eflores@maderaworkforce.org
 If you have any question, please call: (559) 662-4528

Fully funded by an Economic Development Administration Good Jobs Challenge grant allocation of \$507,195 and is an equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aids and services available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

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**GOT EMPLOYEE
 DILEMMAS?**

We have answers!

Call the no-cost Madera WDB Human Resource (HR) Hotline to get advice on the proper and legal way to handle employee concerns before they become painful!




**WORKFORCE
 ASSISTANCE
 CENTER**
America's JobCenter of California



HR Hotline

The Workforce Development Board of Madera County has partnered with the California Employers Association to provide Madera County Employers with a NO-COST HR HOTLINE!

Workforce Assistance Center

The Workforce Assistance Center is a partnership of community agencies specializing in meeting a variety of needs from training to job placement to public housing. Our goal is to provide a community resource center that will make it easier for customers to obtain information about various programs and services.

Employers and Industry Leaders

Your Feedback Matters:

Workforce Development Board of Madera County is conducting a 5 question survey to gather valuable insights into the standard requirement of a High School Diploma (HSD)/General Education Development (GED) for entry-level positions.

[Quick Survey](#)

Upcoming Events

December

9

Fossil Discovery Center 1st Annual Christmas Tree Display Summit

Fossil Discovery Center
19450 19450Avbue 21 1/2
Chowchilla, CA 93610
6:00 p.m.

Economic Development

Why Communities Invest in Economic Development



Fostering a range of business types that diversify the local tax base, keep our local economy strong, and celebrate our unique community fabric.

Benefits of Economic Development Include:

- Maintain, increase, & diversify tax base
- Increase revenues faster than cost of municipal services increase
- Business Retention
- Economic vitality and diversification for commercial and industrial areas
- Maximize property through highest & best use
- Create and retain jobs, increase per capita income
- Self-sufficiency in the face of state and federal budget issues
- Recognition of local products
- Beneficial partnerships between local governments, businesses, & community members

Resources

[Fresno County SCORE](#)

[U.S. Small Business Administration, Fresno Office](#)

[Valley Community SBDC](#)

[Cen Cal Business Finance Group](#)

[MCEDC Revolving Loan Program](#)

[Access Plus Capital](#)



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Thank you for reading our newsletter!

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