



ABOUT TOWN ▪ DECEMBER 18, 2014 UPDATE FROM MORAGA TOWN STAFF



HAPPY NEW YEAR MORAGA!

We wish all Moraga residents, business owners, and visitors the happiest of seasons and hope everyone is able to share good times with family and friends. As we look forward to a productive, prosperous, and positive New Year, here are staff's top ten reasons to appreciate Moraga and 2014.

10. Moraga was named the 5th Safest Community in the state and 7th in the nation by Movoto.com.
9. A Draft Climate Action Plan was accepted by the Town Council with implementation of key strategies to begin immediately.
8. The Planning Department completed three long-standing and complex ordinances this year: New Sign Ordinance, Nuisance Abatement, and Code Enforcement.
7. The Town was awarded a national award of excellence for our first Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.
6. Parks and Recreation created three new community events that exceeded all expectations: the Family Campout at Rancho Laguna Park; a Community Garage Sale; and the Town-wide Picnic.
5. The Town's Pavement Repair Project, which improved the average condition of the Town's roads from a Pavement Condition Index rating of 49 (at risk) to 58 (fair), was recognized State-wide and beyond by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), the League of California Cities, and a delegation of civil engineers from India.
4. Jon King replaced retired Police Lieutenant Jeff Price (after 32 years of service) to complement Chief Bob Priebe, the last original member of the Moraga Police Department, who celebrated his 35th anniversary on December 17.
3. The Police Department was at full staffing for 32 whole days in 2014.
2. The FEMA improvements to the creek retaining walls at the Hacienda de las Flores (completed last year) spectacularly handled the "Pineapple Express Storm" in early December.
1. There was not one, not two, BUT THREE Town-wide events to celebrate the 40th year of the Town's incorporation, enabling many to honor the Town's history and progress many times in many ways.



TOWN COUNCIL GOAL SETTING WORKSHOP – THURSDAY, JANUARY 22

SAVE THE DATE - The Moraga Town Council will consider the community's goals and priorities for 2015 under the leadership of Mayor Roger Wykle on Thursday, January 22, 2015, at 6:00 pm, Hacienda de las Flores, in the La Sala building. This annual Goal Setting Workshop is an opportunity to hear the Mayor's vision for the year and to provide input on Town priorities.



HOLIDAY CLOSURE OF TOWN OFFICES

The Town offices and the Hacienda de las Flores will be closed Monday, December 22, through Friday, January 2, for the winter holidays, reopening on Monday, January 5, 2015.



BUY-A-BULB FUNDRAISER



The Buy-a-Bulb fundraiser to light the Holiday Tree at the Commons Park continues through the New Year with contributions of any amount greatly needed and appreciated. The Town's goal is to raise \$5,000, but as of publication time only \$75 has been raised. To keep this Town tradition alive, please send checks to the Town of Moraga, Attn: Buy-a-Bulb, 2100 Donald Drive, Moraga, CA 94556 or [donate online](#).



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