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Upcoming Business Closure Day at the City of Oakland
Public Safety Not Affected

Oakland, CA — The City of Oakland will suspend administrative and other City services for a business closure day on **Monday, October 8**.

While the City's administrative employees are out of the office, if a situation arises that requires more staffing, the City has a plan in place to call in additional resources. **Police, fire and emergency services are not affected during the holidays or business closures.**

Business closures—and the unpaid time off taken by City employees on such days—were agreed to by employee labor unions as part of the package of employee concessions to balance the City's budget. Every City employee agreed to contribute nine (9) percent of their compensation to minimize the reduction of vital City services to the public.

In addition to the fixed business closure days, City employees also agreed to take additional unpaid days off to reach the nine (9) percent reduction target (between four and eight days, depending on the bargaining unit), which they will schedule with their supervisor and take throughout the year. The additional floating unpaid days will not result in citywide business closures.

Specific Service Impacts for Monday, October 8:

Parking Enforcement

- Regular enforcement will occur throughout the City for all parking violations on Monday, October 8.

Public Works

- No street sweeping will occur.
- Serious emergencies – such as sewer overflows, traffic signal outages, objects completely blocking the street to vehicle traffic and major flooding conditions – will be responded to. Please call Public Works Hotline (510) 615-5566 to report issues 24/7, including referring emergency issues.

Oakland Public Library

- All libraries will be closed Monday, October 8.
- Branch libraries will be closed Tuesday, October 9, but the Main Library will be open.

Office of Parks and Recreation

- Visitors will have access to parks; however gates and restrooms will be closed and staff will not be on site.
- Fee-based programs will continue at participating sites.

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Oakland Animal Shelter

- The shelter will be closed on Monday, October 8. People who find stray animals and cannot hold them when the shelter is closed should call (510) 777-3333 between the hours of 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. to be put in touch with a Shelter representative.
- The shelter will reopen on Tuesday, October 9, from 4 to 7 p.m.

Human Services

Senior Centers

- All senior centers will be closed.

Head Start/Early Head Start Programs

- Head Start Programs will be open.
- Early Head Start sites will be open.

Broadway Shuttle

- The shuttle will have a normal operation schedule on Monday, October 8.

Remaining Business Closure Days for Fiscal Year 2012-13

Business closure days generally occur once a month in conjunction with observed City holidays. At its June 28th meeting, Oakland City Council passed the FY 2012-13 Adopted Budget with 11 total Business Closure Days, one fewer than the proposed budget. The exact day removed will be negotiated with the participating unions and announced at a later date. The eight remaining days that were scheduled prior to Council's action are as follows:

- Wednesday, December 26 (Monday, December 24 and Tuesday, December 25 are Holidays)
- Thursday, December 27
- Friday, December 28
- Monday, December 31 (Tuesday, January 1 is New Year's Day Holiday)
- Monday, February 11 (Tuesday, February 12 is Lincoln's Birthday Holiday)
- Monday, April 1
- Friday, May 3
- Friday, June 14

A [calendar](#) of City holidays and business closure days for fiscal year 2012-13 can be found on the home page of the City's web site at: www.oaklandnet.com.

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