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Oxnard

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Welcome to the Oxnard Business and Community Guide. The Chamber of Commerce is pleased to provide this publication to visitors, residents, potential residents and businesses of all types and sizes. We have endeavored to capture the dynamic characteristics of our community in this guide to provide readers with a true sense of Oxnard and its assets. In addition to the valuable information about our wonderful city, the Chamber Membership and Buyer's Guide are also included. We ask that you consider an Oxnard Chamber of Commerce member when in need of goods and services. These are businesses that support our community and the efforts of the Chamber.

The Oxnard Chamber of Commerce is proud to be a vibrant and active organization that strives to represent the interests of business with government, promote the community, encourage a strong local economy, advocate political action and provide marketing and networking opportunities to our members. In addition to those priorities, the Chamber acts as an ombudsman for local businesses. We are extremely involved with local issues that affect the ability to conduct business and promote a high quality of life.

Diversity thrives in Oxnard. As you will see from the demographic data in this guide, our community is home to a population from many backgrounds. We have a hometown feeling that has been embraced by both residents and visitors. Notwithstanding that, Oxnard is the largest city in Ventura County. We are fortunate to have a dedicated city council and progressive city management that reflect our tagline, "The City That Cares." Oxnard has won numerous awards for its innovative approach to addressing the challenges of a growing population and being sensitive to our coastal environment.

With miles of beautiful beaches, a sparkling harbor, museums, festivals, shopping, cultural events and all kinds of recreational activities, Oxnard is the perfect destination for visitors. We have a wide variety of hotels, resorts and every culinary liking. The climate alone is a great reason to live in or visit Oxnard.

Thank you for your interest in the Oxnard Business and Community Guide. If you are a visitor to our city, we hope you will consider staying for awhile. If you have an Oxnard business, we hope you are (or will be!) a member of the Chamber of Commerce. If you are currently a member of the Chamber, we thank you for supporting the organization that supports business!

Nancy Lindholm
President/Chief Executive Officer



For more than 100 years, the Oxnard Chamber of Commerce has provided support and leadership to the Oxnard Community.

MISSION The Oxnard Chamber of Commerce represents business interests and advocates public policies that promote a healthy economy.

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Open the door to a successful business future...the Chamber is the key!

The Oxnard Chamber of Commerce is committed to promoting the business and economic well-being of a diverse community to benefit enterprises, big and small, through advocacy, services, education, business exposure and promotional opportunities. The Chamber values the quality of life in the Oxnard community and encourages economic vitality.

The Oxnard Chamber is the sole, strong voice of the local business community. However, it is not limited to local issues. The Chamber is a strong advocate for the rights of business, whether issues arise on the local, county, state or federal levels. The Oxnard Chamber is a partner in the Chambers of Commerce Alliance of Ventura & Santa Barbara Counties, which is a coalition of chambers and business organizations formed to address legislative matters affecting the well-being of the regional economy.

The Oxnard Chamber's Main Objectives are to:

- Represent the interest of business with government
- Encourage a strong local economy
- Promote the community
- Advocate political action
- Provide promotional opportunities and networking

What the Oxnard Chamber does for its members

Representing the interests of business with government through the Chamber's strong relationships with elected officials at all levels (city, county and state), it advocates for the rights of local businesses and takes positions on proposed ordinances, rulings and legislation.

- Chamber representatives frequent city council meetings and the annual Business Summit in Sacramento
- Oxnard Chamber leadership meets with City officials to address business challenges
- Monitors local, state and federal issues that affect business through the

Chamber's Business Advocacy, Land Use and Political Action Committees

- A founding member of the Chambers of Commerce Alliance of Ventura & Santa Barbara Counties
- Through that partnership, the Oxnard Chamber represents nearly 300,000 jobs in the region
- The Chamber carefully reviews and takes official positions on proposals that have an effect on business
- Chamber leaders render public comment or testimony on critical business issues

Encouraging a strong local economy

- The Oxnard Economic Summit includes a publication filled with economic and demographic information on the community
- The Oxnard Chamber works closely with Naval Base Ventura County
- One of its long-standing committees, the Military Affairs Committee, works with local military installations to foster a relationship between the business community and Armed Forces
- The Military Discount and Welcome Home Heroes Programs provide a valuable connection between the military and business communities
- The Chamber maintains an award-winning website that draws visitors from all over the world to do business with its members
- Chamber members can offer coupons, discounts and promotions through www.OxnardChamber.org

Promoting the community

- The Oxnard Chamber provides information to hundreds of inquiries every month regarding tourism, relocation, education, housing and shopping
- From its Information Center located in the Chamber's office, website and Business and Community Guide, the Chamber is a valuable resource for information about Oxnard and area businesses
- The Oxnard Chamber produces this publication and distributes it free. The eye-catching photography and handy community information make it popular with visitors and residents
- For over 60 years the Chamber has honored outstanding individuals, businesses and organizations with the beloved Community & Business Awards event

Advocating political action

- The Chamber has a very active political action committee, Oxnard Chamber Political Action Committee, to endorse candidates, and/or initiatives and fund campaigns
- Oxnard Chamber holds forums for local and state elections
- During election cycles, forums are presented for many different offices. In 2010, forums were held for the offices of Ventura County Sheriff, State Assembly 25th District, County Treasurer, Mayor and City Council
- The latest advocacy tool used by the Chamber is Vote For Business. VoteOxnard.com makes it quick and simple for businesses to communicate their views on legislative issues. Users can access the site through the Chamber's website www.OxnardChamber.org

Providing promotional opportunities and networking

- The Chamber holds monthly Good Morning Oxnard Breakfasts that offer an informative program and plenty of networking opportunities
- Committee participation offers another way to connect with potential customers and influential people
- The Chamber provides various marketing and advertising opportunities specific to the membership allowing access to business leaders and decision-makers



Business & Industry

Oxnard agriculture continues to thrive, with county estimates of gross dollar sales more than \$1.6 billion annually. Agriculture continues to be a mainstay for Ventura County's economy. The county spans over 1,800 square miles and is unique in that it boasts of nearly one acre of irrigated farmland for every acre of city. Strawberries are the leading commodity followed by nursery stock, celery and raspberries.

Agriculture

Oxnard is surrounded by some of the most fertile agricultural land in the world. While sugar beets, lima beans and lemons were historically the top-grown produce of the area, Oxnard has become the agricultural leader in the growth and export of strawberries.

Helping to rank California No. 1 producer of strawberries, Ventura County revenues for the delicious red berry topped \$515.4 million in 2009.

More than 12,000 acres in Ventura County, primarily in the Oxnard region, are dedicated to growing strawberries (little wonder the Annual California Strawberry Festival is held in Oxnard). Celery, lemons, avocados, tomatoes, peppers and nursery stock are grown profitably in and around Oxnard, contributing to Ventura County being ranked 10th nationally in farm revenues.

Oxnard Harbor District/Port of Hueneme

Since the port's designation as a U.S. Port of Entry and the establishment of Foreign Trade Zone #205, the Port of Hueneme has become one of California's busiest seaports. International businesses use the Port of Hueneme as their trade gateway between North and South America, Asia, and Europe.

The Port's regional economic impact and its direct and indirect job spinoff function spotlight its position as one of Ventura County's premier economic development engines.

The Port of Hueneme has more than 256,000 square feet of on-dock refrigerated transit space serving fresh agricultural shippers and refrigerated ocean carriers. These facilities position the port as a busy player in the United States for fresh fruit and produce cargoes.

A high value commodity handled at the Port of Hueneme includes the import and export of automobiles and other rolling stock. Automobiles make up the greatest percentage of the District's ocean freight operating revenue and the Port has up to 34 acres of dedicated terminal land for use by its automobile customers. The District has contracts with three vehicle distribution companies for the handling of vehicles transiting the Port. These companies perform pre-delivery inspection and technical service on the vehicles followed by the coordination of their inland transportation to regional dealerships. These three vehicle distribution companies are BMW of North America, Wallenius Wilhelmsen Logistics (WWL) and Global Automobile Processing Services, Inc (GAPS).

The Port of Hueneme's geographic location, close to the greater western regional automobile markets, along with the Vehicle Distribution Companies' productivity and attention to the auto industry are central to the establishment of the Port as an important automotive gateway center.

In addition, the Port of Hueneme has introduced a Real Estate Business Line in an effort to diversify its business base. The District's Business Line is responsible for the acquisition, development and rental of industrial/commercial real estate necessary for the development and operation of the Port of Hueneme or for the accommodation and promotion of commerce, navigation or fisheries inside the boundaries of the Oxnard Harbor District.

The port's success is due, in part, to its geographical position less than 60 miles from the greater southern California market. Its unique location, near the Santa Barbara Channel, also makes Hueneme a primary support facility for the coastal offshore oil industry, as well as serving an active commercial fishing industry.

Flexibility of facilities, innovative services and attention to customer needs add to the Port of Hueneme's attraction. Near-dock rail service is provided by the Ventura County Railroad to the Union Pacific mainline in nearby Oxnard.

Naval Base Ventura County

NBVC is a major aviation shore command and a Naval Construction Force mobilization base providing airfield, seaport and base support services to fleet operating forces and shore activities. NBVC and its tenants (over 100) employ more than 19,000 personnel (military and civilian). NBVC contributes significantly to the economic health of the area, with an economic impact exceeding \$1.2 billion in 2006, as reported in an Economic Impact Study commissioned by the Workforce Investment Board of Ventura County.



Quality of Life

Oxnard is a charming community by the sea, offering coastal beauty at its finest. Located on the beautiful Southern California coast, Oxnard is not overcrowded, but has a comfortable smaller-town atmosphere with all the advantages and culture of a big city.

Our attractive community by the Pacific Ocean is an ideal place to raise a family and run a business. It is also a destination for visitors because of its beautiful long stretches of sandy beaches, outstanding hospitality and accommodations. The ideal Southern California weather offers boundless recreational opportunities all year long for everyone.

The City of Oxnard is proud of its outstanding quality of life, strong economy, fine schools, excellent healthcare, low crime rate and the Chamber's contributions to the community. These features and more have made Oxnard ready for the challenges of the year 2011 and beyond.

Attractive residential areas are located among tree-lined streets, parks and beaches. The city has few high-rise buildings, and there is a comfortable downtown business district where people have been doing business for years. All of Oxnard has a pleasant suburban atmosphere.

Those who are fortunate enough to live in Oxnard enjoy a spirit of community pride; excellent healthcare facilities; outstanding educational opportunities; a wide variety of housing choices; and a dynamic, balanced economy.

Oxnard offers a wide selection of shopping opportunities and an exciting range of restaurants and cuisine for every taste.

Oxnard, along with the region surrounding it, made of a list of the 75 best college towns in the United States, a list that also includes Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo and Santa Cruz. The 2010 list was compiled by the American Institute for Economic Research, which analyzed 222 metropolitan areas. The institute considered student diversity, cost of living, art and leisure, and professional opportunities, among other criteria, in evaluating college towns. Oxnard, which ranked 18th among small-city college towns, scored high in three categories: arts and leisure, entrepreneurial activities and earning potential.

Housing

The City of Oxnard offers residents a diverse range of high-quality residential options. The city offers everything from one-of-kind waterfront homes to neighborhoods of single-family residences on tree-lined streets. The options include modern apartments and condominiums within the city or near the water, as well as Victorian-style homes. Oxnard is an excellent place to live and raise a family.

Location

The City of Oxnard is 36.6 square miles, with an elevation of 53 feet above sea level (near City Hall). Oxnard is located with the shore of the Pacific Ocean as its southwesterly border. The City of Ventura is northwest of Oxnard, Camarillo is to the east, and Oxnard surrounds Port Hueneme to the south. Oxnard is approximately 60 miles northwest of downtown Los Angeles and 35 miles south of Santa Barbara.

Climate

The Oxnard Plain experiences a mild, Mediterranean climate typical of Southern California. Average temperatures in the Oxnard area are 70° F high, a 52.4° F low, and an overall mean temperature of 60° F. Precipitation averages 14.45 inches per year, with the majority of rainfall occurring from November through March.

Oxnard History

In 1896, local farmers began experimenting with sugar beets in addition to barley and lima beans. A prominent local farmer, Albert Maulhardt, visited Henry T. Oxnard and his three brothers' American Beet Sugar factory in Chino, which led him to plant sugar beets for shipment to the plant. Maulhardt's success persuaded other ranchers to switch from grain to sugar beets. Encouraged by a pledge of 18,000 acres of sugar beets from local farmers, the Oxnard brothers completed construction of a sugar beet factory adjacent to the beet fields in 1898 on what was then known as Rancho Colonia. The massive brick factory, with its 150-foot smokestacks, was located a few blocks northeast of a town-site that, five years later, would become the City of Oxnard.

The sugar beet factory was responsible for another significant event—bringing a spur line of the Southern Pacific Railroad to the plant site and passenger service to the community.

Oxnard was incorporated in 1903 by the Ventura County Board of Supervisors, who officially named the city after the Oxnard brothers who established the American Beet Sugar Company between 1887 and 1889. The city grew steadily into what is the largest city in Ventura County, with a population of just over 200,000 residents.

Downtown

The Oxnard Downtown Management District is a Property-Based Business Improvement District (PBID), established in 2001 and renewed and expanded in 2006. The PBID encompasses over 40 blocks, 300 merchants and over 2,800 free public parking stalls, situated three miles south of U.S. Highway 101.

One of the city's most ambitious and successful revitalization efforts in downtown was the creation of Heritage Square. Fourteen turn-of-the-century structures were relocated onto a single block and restored to their original beauty—resulting in the homes being repurposed as professional offices, a location for events and one of the area's most popular restaurants.

With the addition of the Oxnard Transportation Center; Centennial Plaza, featuring a 14-screen multiplex; excellent restaurants with outdoor patio seating; a multilevel parking structure; and the newly completed City Civic Center housing the Fire Administration, Community Development, Traffic and Engineering and Public Works, Downtown Oxnard is quickly becoming a charming shopping and convenient business center.

Downtown Oxnard is one of California's earliest downtowns. Explore the rich history, traditions and culture. Celebrate family-friendly events, art shows, live theatre and holiday parades.

Many of Oxnard's oldest and best-loved events are held in Downtown Oxnard.



Community Overview

Healthcare

Oxnard is served by the St. John's Regional Medical Center and Community Memorial Healthcare System—Centers for Family Health. St. John's, a 266-bed facility on a 48-acre parcel in northeast Oxnard, offers comprehensive medical services including cardiac care, pediatric and maternity services and a 23-bed acute rehabilitation center along with an oncology care center and an emergency room. St. John's Regional Medical Center employs more than 1,100 people and has a medical staff of more than 200 physicians representing every medical specialty. The center was established in 1912 in Oxnard and relocated in 1992. The facility is linked to a 90,000-square-foot office building. The Medical Pavilion at St. John's houses doctors' offices, an outpatient surgery center and the St. John's Cancer Center.

Community Memorial Healthcare System currently has three Centers for Family Health located in Oxnard. The centers are staffed by board-certified physicians and compassionate medical professionals—many who are bilingual—who provide a large array of services including family practice, pediatrics and obstetrics. Most of the centers feature state-of-the-art diagnostic equipment including X-ray, EKG and ultrasound testing machinery.

Public Safety

Oxnard is the largest coastal city between Los Angeles and San Jose, with a population of more than 200,000. Oxnard's crime rate has been decreasing incrementally since 2003.

In 2004 Oxnard ranked as the fifth-safest city in the United States among cities with populations between 150,000 and 200,000.

The crime rate in Oxnard has dropped nearly 60 percent since 1992 with violent crime dropping by more than 50 percent since 1992. Oxnard's residential burglary rate has declined by more than 80 percent since the inception of the city's nationally recognized neighborhood watch program.

Oxnard's crime rate is lower than many cities in California including Anaheim, Beverly Hills, Costa Mesa, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz and Ventura. The Oxnard Police Department has nearly 400 employees and an annual operating budget of nearly \$52 million. The department serves a diverse community of over 200,000 people and covers more than 26 square miles.

Transportation

HIGHWAY

Oxnard is located 60 miles northwest of Los Angeles and 35 miles south of Santa Barbara on U.S. 101, a major north/south transportation corridor. Major state highways providing access to Oxnard include Highway 1 (the Pacific Coast Highway) and Highway 126, which offers a connection with Interstate 5 (the Golden State Freeway) 27 miles east. More than 50 scheduled truck lines, contract carriers and air cargo haulers serve Oxnard.

PORT

Waterborne commerce is provided at the Port of Hueneme adjacent to the City of Oxnard. The Port of Hueneme is the only deepwater harbor between Los Angeles and San Francisco. The port, governed by the Oxnard Harbor District, is designated a U.S. Port of Entry. Grant funding from the Department of Homeland Security helped enhance security at the port.

AIR

Oxnard Airport is classified as a non-hub commercial service airport with commuter flights currently serving Los Angeles International Airport. The airport is home for one full service fixed base operator providing services such as aircraft charters, aircraft maintenance and pilot supplies.

Charter services are provided by Aspen Helicopters. The airport also hosts several car rental agencies and shuttle van service to Los Angeles International Airport. The airport is conveniently located a mile and a half west of Oxnard's business district and within a three minute drive from the beach. There are several historic attractions within a twenty minute drive from the airport; there are three shopping malls located within a few minutes drive from the airport, along with three golf courses.

RAIL SERVICE

The Oxnard Transportation Center is a spacious and modern rail station providing connections to local and distant transit services. This regional multimodal transportation facility offers connections between Los Angeles, Metrolink commuter rail service and Amtrak.

The Oxnard Transportation Center showcases an indoor passenger waiting area complete with concessions,

public telephones, comfortable seating, restrooms and security service. Metrolink passengers may also utilize partially enclosed outdoor waiting accommodations on the rail platform.

MASS TRANSIT

Bus patrons will find eight centrally located bus stops providing convenient connections between regional service providers and local bus routes. Gold Coast Transit provides fixed route and paratransit services within Oxnard and in surrounding communities. The service area is approximately 91 square miles with a population of 375,000.

Ventura Intercity Service Transit Authority (VISTA) provides bus service along seven regular routes, including highways 101 and 126. VISTA serves most of east and west county cities, Santa Barbara, California State University Channel Islands, and has a connection at Woodland Hills-Warner Center.



Accommodations

Oxnard has more than 1,800 hotel rooms, including deluxe suites and a variety of indoor meeting, banquet and special event spaces. Most of our lodging facilities have swimming pools, restaurants and high-speed Internet connections, and all are close to shopping, dining and recreation areas. Oxnard provides hospitality tailored to every taste and budget.



Recreation & Activities

Every year, millions of visitors and residents experience the joy of outstanding recreational opportunities in Oxnard. There are a multitude of diverse recreational activities within a small geographical area.

Due in large part to Oxnard's temperate and sunny climate, a wide variety of outdoor recreation and attraction venues are available to residents and visitors year round. More than seven miles of white sandy beaches, 58 parks and a state beach campground are found within the city.

Residents and visitors enjoy a diverse offering of activities. Sailing, kayaking, surfing, tennis, golf, bicycling and city programs are just some of the examples of recreational opportunities available in Oxnard. For hikers and bicyclists, there are dozens of nearby trails and more than 35 miles of bike paths and lanes. The paths are available in several parks, along the beach and throughout Channel Islands Harbor. If water is more your venue, consider renting a kayak or electric boat to tour the Harbor. Breathtaking sunsets and the sights on the Pacific Ocean provide a local paradise.

Oxnard offers a golfer's paradise. In addition to River Ridge Golf Club, there are eight public and three private golf courses in the area to offer a variety of challenges and scenery.

The Oxnard Convention & Visitors Bureau provides information on agricultural tours, sport fishing trips, citrus packing facility tours, home tours, historical points of interest, ecological tours of wetlands and sand dunes, military installations, wine tours and technical facilities tours. For information, call 805-385-7545 or visit their website at www.visitoxnard.com.

Points of Interest

Cultural, civic and social activities are discovered abundantly in Oxnard. If you have an interest in fine art, there's the Carnegie Art Museum located in Downtown Oxnard. For live theatre, consider the Elite Theatre Company. If adventure is what you're seeking, Jim Hart Kart Racing School will get your adrenaline pumping. For the wine enthusiast, Oxnard is the home to three wineries and tasting rooms—Herzog Wine Cellars, Rancho Ventavo Cellars and Magnavino Cellars.

For a simple night on the town, head to Downtown Oxnard for a movie and great food at any of the delicious restaurants. Restaurants abound to meet every culinary taste. Various regional chains, such as BJ's Restaurant & Brewery and Red Lobster, have found a home in Oxnard, in addition to the various family-owned restaurants found throughout the city.

Carnegie Art Museum

424 S. C St.

805-385-8179

www.carnegieam.org

The Carnegie Art Museum presents temporary exhibitions changing quarterly, a permanent collection and educational programs.

Gull Wings Children's Museum

418 W. 4th St.

805-483-3005

www.gullwings.org

Dedicated to providing a place for children and their families to explore and discover together the wonders of the world around us, Gull Wings features more than 15 hands-on exhibits or, as they call them, "Imagination Stations." Gull Wings is Ventura County's only hands-on children's museum.

Jim Hall Kart Racing School

2600 Challenger Pl.

805-654-1329

www.jimhallkartracingschool.com

A serpentine series of hairpins, s-curves, European double 180s and high-speed straights, the Jim Hall track is the only coastal road course in North America. There are six challenging configurations to test the kart driver to their limits, and a uniquely privileged location in Southern California for ideal racing weather year round.

Mullin Automotive Museum

1421 Emerson Ave.

805-385-5400

www.mullinautomotivemuseum.com

The Mullin Automotive Museum pays homage to the art deco and the machine age—eras that produced exquisite art and magnificent automobiles. The museum is home to examples of the finest historic French automobiles from the Bugatti to the Voisin, as well as significant and representative decorative art from this same period.

Murphy Auto Museum

2230 Statham Blvd.

805-487-4333

www.murphyautomuseum.com

The Murphy Auto Museum has more than 40 autos displayed by collectors from the tri-county area. The museum houses a wide variety of classic, milestone and special interest vehicles, including a large collection of Packards.

Museum of Ventura County

100 E. Main St., Ventura

805-653-0323

www.venturamuseum.org

The Museum of Ventura County's collections of art, artifacts, documents and photographs represent a comprehensive record of life in the region from prehistory to the present.

Ventura County Maritime Museum

2731 S. Victoria Ave.

805-984-6260

Ventura County Maritime Museum houses nautical collections of ship models, fine art and changing maritime

exhibits. Tours are offered, and there is a gift shop.



Shopping & Dining

Exploring shopping opportunities is always a key component for residents and visitors alike. From its small-town boutiques to sprawling malls, Oxnard offers something for everyone.

Oxnard has been enhanced with the development of many diverse shopping areas. From a collection of historic houses that have been relocated and refurbished to new multiplexes, Oxnard is the place to go for all your retail needs.

With annual retail sales in excess of \$2.4 billion, Oxnard has a diverse and exciting mix of shops and boutiques. Enjoy the beautiful and historic downtown area of Centennial Plaza, or browse at the Channel Islands Harbor.

There's shopping galore conveniently located right off the 101 freeway at the Palms Shopping Center and the Esplanade Shopping Center, or just north of Oxnard at the Pacific View Mall, and at the Camarillo Premium Outlets to the east. Fantastic shopping experiences abound in each corner of Oxnard.



Real Estate

River Park, the pinnacle of recent real estate development within Oxnard, is designed with a mix of 2,600 residential units and approximately 900,000 square feet of commercial/retail currently being developed, as well as lakes, parks and jogging trails. Various projects are also currently under construction in the beautiful Channel Islands Harbor area. Seabridge, for example, is a waterfront community with 395 townhouses, 276 single-family homes, 21 “Live to Work” units and 169,000 square feet of commercial/retail space. With other new developments in the planning stages, Oxnard continues to provide a wide variety of housing choices and offers some of the most affordable housing in Ventura County.

Oxnard’s forecasted 2011 median home price (all units) is estimated to be \$264,000, up 6.1 percent from 2010. Oxnard has the strongest market in new home sales. Thirty-four percent of all Ventura County's 2009 new home sales occurred in Oxnard.



Education

Elementary

The City of Oxnard is served by four elementary school districts that provide students with excellent classrooms; teachers; and support teams comprised of psychologists, elementary school counselors, reading specialists, special education teachers and speech therapists. The caliber of Oxnard's schools compares favorably with that of suburban areas throughout the United States. Facilities are modern, student-teacher ratios are low, and budgets are sound.

High School

The Oxnard Union High School District (OUHSD) serves a diverse community that stretches from north Oxnard, east to the City of Camarillo and south to Point Mugu. The district enrolls more than 16,000 students in six comprehensive high schools, one continuation high school and one alternative educational program. OUHSD employs close to 700 teachers and has an annual operational budget of more than \$100 million, making it a major contributor to the county's economy.

Adult School

Oxnard Adult School serves the adult population of the Oxnard Union High School District, encompassing the communities of Oxnard, Port Hueneme, and Camarillo. The goal of the educational program is to contribute to successful schools, strong community and a skilled workforce.

Colleges & Universities

Oxnard College is a public, two-year community college that has been a part of the Ventura County Community College District since 1975. The college offers 30 Associate of Science and 18 Associate of Arts degree programs and continuing education courses. Oxnard College is fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

California State University Channel Islands is the 23rd campus of the California State University system. The 670-acre campus is located midway between Santa Barbara and Los Angeles and is adjacent to Oxnard, near Camarillo. The four-year, public university is known for its interdisciplinary, multicultural, international perspectives and service learning.

Azusa Pacific University (APU), a private Christian university, has an off-site regional center in Oxnard that is a direct extension of APU's main campus in Azusa, California. The regional center offers undergraduate degree completion programs as well as a wide variety of master's degrees and credential programs. All courses are offered in the evening and are taught by both full-time faculty and local adjunct professors.

California Lutheran University was founded in 1959 as Ventura County's first four-year university. Today it offers more than 50 undergraduate, graduate and continuing education programs at its Oxnard Graduate Center and its main campus in nearby Thousand Oaks.

University of La Verne (ULV) offers 88 bachelors and master's degrees, along with four doctorates within four major colleges and one school. ULV has a regional campus in Oxnard as well as additional class sites in Ventura and Moorpark.

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University is the world's largest university specializing in aviation and aerospace. Embry-Riddle educates students at residential campuses, through the Worldwide Campus and online.

Santa Barbara Business College, founded in 1888, is an accredited business college that has grown into five campuses, with locations in Santa Barbara, Santa Maria, Bakersfield, Palm Desert and Ventura, California. In addition to business, SBBC offers courses in healthcare, computers and the legal profession.

Many other great public and private universities can be found within a one-hour drive of the City of Oxnard. Undergraduate and graduate programs are offered at the universities of California at Los Angeles (UCLA) and Santa Barbara (UCSB), at California State University Northridge (CSUN), at the University of Southern California (USC) in Los Angeles, and at Pepperdine University in Malibu.



Community Information

City Resources

Abandoned Vehicles — 805-982-7001

Affordable Housing & Rehab Loans — 805-385-7400

Animal Control Services — 805-385-7786

Building & Construction Permits — 805-385-7925

Building & Construction Inspections — 805-385-7936

Business Licenses — 805-385-7817

City Corps — 805-385-8081

City Council — 805-385-7430

Code Compliance — 805-385-7940

Community Development — 805-385-7407

Graffiti Hotline — 805-385-8010

Hazardous Waste — 805-385-8280

Mayor's Office — 805-385-7450

Planning & Zoning — 805-385-7858

Recreation Programs — 805-385-7995

Refuse/Recycling — 805-385-8060

Senior Services — 805-385-8019

Street Sweeping — 805-385-8051

Traffic Signals — 805-385-7866

Tree Trimming — 805-385-7950

Oxnard Convention & Visitors Bureau — 805-385-7545 City Tree — Coral

City Flower — Geranium

Area — 25 Square Miles

Incorporated — 1903

City of Oxnard

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www.ci.oxnard.ca.us

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