

Civic Center Green Map

A Guide to Eco-Resources Located in San Francisco's Civic Center



Civic Center History

The land on which Civic Center now stands was originally covered by sand dunes. In 1850, the area was designated as a public cemetery named Yerba Buena Cemetery. When shifting sands uncovered the graves, the cemetery was moved. Still undeveloped in 1870, the land became a City Hall Reservation. The Old City Hall, completed in 1897, was destroyed in the 1906 earthquake. The present City Hall was completed in 1915. Today Civic Center is a bustling center of civic and cultural life. It is also home to a variety of environmental and sustainability resources. The Civic Center Green Map highlights the many opportunities for residents and visitors to connect with San Francisco's urban environment and make more sustainable choices.



In 1850, there was nothing visible but the loose barren sand-hills, with their scattered patches of wild-bushes...The only sound sometimes heard was the mournful requiem of the distant waters of the bay.

Description of Civic Center from Annals of San Francisco (1855)

Detailed Site Descriptions on Reverse Side

Eco-Information Centers

SF Dept. of the Environment and Eco-Center
11 Grove Street
415/355-3700
www.sfenvironment.org
Stegner Environmental Center
San Francisco Public Library
100 Larkin Street, 5th Floor
415/437-4852
<http://sfpl4.sfpl.org/gic/stegner.html>

Bay Area Air Quality Management District
939 Ellis Street
415/771-6000
www.baaqmd.gov
Department of Public Health Environmental Health Section
1390 Market Street, Suite 210
415/252-3800
www.dph.sf.ca.us/ehs

Air Pollution Source

Civic Center Parking Garage
355 McAllister Street

Eco Building

Future Municipal Office Tower
(est. completion in 2004)
525 Golden Gate

Pedestrian Zone

Crosswalk outside City Hall

Alternative Transportation

City Car Share
953 Mission St., Suite 121
415/995-8588
www.sfcarsshare.org
Commuter Van/Carpools
RIDES for Bay Area Commuters
1-800-755-POOL
www.rides.org

Park 'n Charge Facility

Civic Center Parking Garage
355 McAllister Street
415/863-1537

Bicycle Resources

SF Bicycle Coalition
1095 Market St., Suite 215
San Francisco, CA 94103
415/431-BIKE
www.sfbike.org
San Francisco Bicycle Program
Dept. of Parking and Traffic
25 Van Ness Avenue, Suite 345
415/585-BIKE

Secure Bike Parking

Civic Center Parking Garage
355 McAllister Street
Performing Arts Garage
360 Grove Street

Public Transportation

SF Municipal Railway (MUNI)
415/673-MUNI
www.sfmuni.com
Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART)
415/989-2278
www.bart.gov
Golden Gate Transit
415/923-2000
www.goldengatetransit.org

Recycling

Walgreen's
1301 Market Street
415/861-4000
SF Dept. of the Environment
11 Grove Street
415/355-3700
Radio Shack
938 Market Street
415/434-1620
Mark Morris Tires
1401 Mission Street
415/863-3939
SF Honda
10 South Van Ness Avenue
415/441-2000

Farmer's Market

Heart of the City Farmer's Market
United Nations Plaza
Wednesdays 7am - 5:30pm
Sundays 7am - 5pm
415/558-9455

Re-Use Sites

Goodwill
1580 Mission Street
415/575-2240
415/575-2133 (for pick up)
St. Anthony's Foundation
101 8th Street
415/241-8300
Philanthropy By Design
1355 Market St., Suite 425C
415/552-1772
www.pbd.org

Archaeological Feature

BartWoman
Market St. at Fulton & Leavenworth

Water Feature

Hayes Creek
Underground creek in Civic Center

Historic Marshlands

Former Mission Bay Marshlands
Mission and 7th & 8th Streets

Birds

Red-tailed hawks, peregrine falcons, pigeons, ravens, black birds, sparrows, finches, starlings.

Trees

London Plane Trees