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2026-2027 BUDGET
AND INCREASED
RESERVE FUNDING
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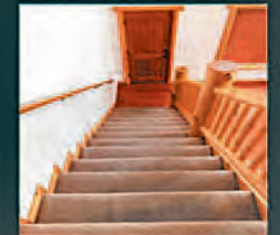
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Board Approves 2026–2027 Budget and Increased Reserve Funding

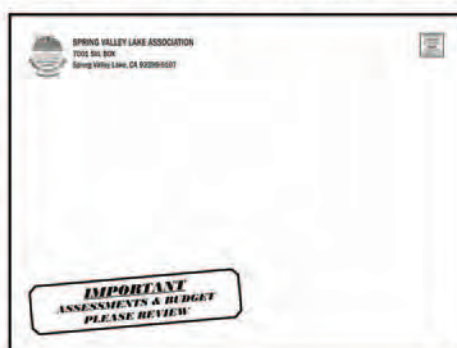
Following a comprehensive review of the Association's financial needs, the Spring Valley Lake Association Board of Directors approved the 2026–2027 fiscal year budget. The approved budget includes an increase in the regular annual assessment, increased funding for the Association's reserves, and dedicated funding for upcoming lake repairs and maintenance.

The Board recognizes that any increase in assessments directly affects our members. Throughout the budget process, the Board carefully reviewed operating expenses, departmental needs, upcoming projects, reserve obligations, and the Association's long-term financial needs before approving the new budget.

Regular Annual Assessment Increased to \$1,736

For the 2026–2027 fiscal year, the regular annual assessment will increase from \$1,651 to \$1,736 per property, an increase of \$85 annually. The annual assessment will be billed in four equal quarterly installments of \$434. Members should watch for the Association's Annual Budget Report and Annual Policy Statement, which will

provide additional information regarding the adopted budget, assessments, reserves, and other required financial disclosures.



Investing in Our Reserves

An important part of the Board's budget discussions was ensuring that the Association continues to adequately plan for the repair and replacement of major community components.

Under the updated reserve funding plan, the Association is projected to begin the fiscal year on November 1, 2026, with approximately \$6.2 million in reserves, representing a 57% funded level. The approved funding plan provides approximately \$1.69 million annually toward reserves. The updated reserve projections show the Association reaching approximately 78% funded in 2030 and 99.9% funded in 2032, assuming the current funding plan and reserve study assumptions remain in place.

These projections are encouraging, but they are also estimates. Reserve needs and projections will continue to be reviewed and adjusted as costs, inflation, interest, component conditions, and future reserve studies change.

One-Time Lake Special Assessment — \$82.55

The upcoming lake-lowering project provides the Association with an important opportunity to inspect, repair, and maintain areas of the lake that are normally inaccessible when the lake is at its regular operating level. To provide dedicated funding for this work, the Board approved a one-time special assessment of \$82.55 per property, due November 1, 2026. Across the Association's 4,214 properties, the special assessment will provide \$347,865.70 specifically designated for lake lowering and repairs. These funds are separate from the Association's regular operating assessment and will provide resources to address identified lake repair and maintenance needs as the project moves forward.

Tenant Annual Membership

The Board also approved a 5% increase in the annual Tenant

Membership fee, bringing the annual amount to \$866.78. The additional revenue will be directed toward lake management needs.

Planning for the Future of Our Lake and Community

The lake is one of Spring Valley Lake's most significant community assets. The Board appreciates the time, participation, and valuable input provided by the Lake Committee and RFP Committee throughout this process. The upcoming lake lowering provides an important opportunity to address maintenance and repair needs that will help protect the lake and the community's investment for years to come.

The Board appreciates the members who attended the budget workshops, reviewed the information presented, asked questions, and participated in the budget process.

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Equestrian Bridges



Work on the community's equestrian bridges is moving right along. All the existing bridges have now been demolished, and construction is underway as the project continues to improve the structures for our equestrian community.

Residents can expect continued progress in the coming weeks as construction moves forward. Additional updates will be provided as the project reaches key milestones.

Equestrian Fire Alarm System

The equestrian area will also be receiving an important safety and monitoring upgrade. Beginning Tuesday, September 22, the existing fire alarm system will be replaced and updated with a new system designed to provide more reliable monitoring.

The new system is expected to

help reduce false alarms and minimize unnecessary disruptions involving the alarm monitoring service and subsequent fire department dispatches. This upgrade will provide a more dependable system for the equestrian facilities while helping ensure that legitimate alarms can be addressed appropriately.

Basketball Court Resurfacing

The resurfacing project for the community's basketball courts is officially moving forward. Work on all three courts at Meadowlark Park, Long Acres Park, and the beach area is scheduled to take place from September 28 through October 12.

During this time, residents may experience temporary closures of the courts while resurfacing work is completed. We appreciate everyone's patience as we work to improve these recreational spaces for the community.

In addition to the resurfacing, Long Acres Park will also receive new pickleball court lines. This addition will provide a dual-purpose recreation space, giving residents the opportunity to enjoy both basketball and pickleball on the same court and expanding recreational options on that side of the community.

Community Center Audio Upgrade
The Community Center will also be receiving a much-needed audio upgrade, with work scheduled to begin Monday, September 21.

This improvement will enhance the sound quality and overall experience during community events, meetings, and Board meetings. The upgraded system will provide a more streamlined

and modern setup, making it easier for residents to hear presentations, announcements, and discussions while creating a better overall experience for everyone using the facility.

These projects are part of the community's continued efforts to maintain, modernize, and improve shared spaces and amenities for our residents.



You're Invited

Beginners Welcome!

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Bunco 

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Date: Monday, October 12, 2026

Location: SVLA Community Center

Schedule:

- 5:15 PM: Check-In starts
- 5:30 PM: Snacks
- 6:00 PM: Bunco game starts



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~ Clint Summers, Director of Community Services

Working Together to Keep Spring Valley Lake Looking Its Best

One of the most important things our Code Enforcement and Architectural Department strive to do is work with our residents, not simply enforce rules. Our community is made up of homeowners who take great pride in their properties, and we recognize that maintaining a home, completing improvements, and addressing compliance issues can sometimes be a process. Our role is to help residents understand the Association's requirements, answer questions, and provide guidance so that properties can be brought into compliance and improvements can be completed properly.

Over the past 30 days, our department has been able to close out 91 completed Architectural applications and had residents resolve 229 Code Enforcement violations throughout the community. While these numbers represent a significant amount of work by our staff, they also represent something more important: 229 instances where residents worked to correct an issue and 91 projects that successfully made it through the Architectural process from start to finish.

When a Code Enforcement issue is identified, our goal is not simply to issue a notice and move on. Our ultimate goal is to see the issue corrected and the property returned to compliance. We understand that every situation is different, and we encourage residents to communicate with our department if they have questions or need clarification regarding a

notice they have received.

The same is true for Architectural applications. If you are considering making an improvement to your property, we encourage you to contact the Architectural Department before beginning the project. Starting with an approved application can help residents understand the requirements and avoid potential delays or having to make changes after work has already begun.

Our staff is here to help residents navigate these processes and understand what is expected. Whether it is correcting a maintenance issue, completing an Architectural project, or simply determining what is required before beginning an improvement, we want to be a resource for our residents.

Keeping Spring Valley Lake beautiful, safe, and well-maintained is something we all contribute to. Association staff can provide guidance and enforcement, but the cooperation of our residents is what ultimately makes compliance possible.

We sincerely appreciate the many homeowners who respond to notices, complete required improvements, submit Architectural applications, and work with our department to resolve issues. Your cooperation makes a meaningful difference in the appearance and quality of our community.

The 91 Architectural applications and 229 Code Enforcement violations closed during the past 30 days are a reflection of that on-going effort.

Thank you for taking pride in your home and in Spring Valley Lake. Our department looks forward to continuing to work alongside you, answer your questions, and help you successfully navigate

the compliance and Architectural processes.

Together, we can continue making Spring Valley Lake a community we are all proud to call home.



Below are some homes our Code Team thought looked great and wanted to recognize.



8/18/26-9/16/26	Code Enforcement	Architectural
Open Notices	228	56
Closed Items	289	93

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Halloween is one of the most festive and active evenings in Spring Valley Lake. We want everyone, residents and visitors alike, to enjoy a safe, fun, and memorable night. To help ensure the well-being of all trick-or-treaters, please review and follow the safety guidelines below.

 **Trick-or-Treating Hours**
Official trick-or-treating hours in Spring Valley Lake are from **6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Please respect these hours to help maintain a safe environment for all families.

 **Safety Is Our Top Priority**
Throughout the evening, you'll see increased safety presence in the community, including:
SVL Public Safety Officers
California Highway Patrol
San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department
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They will be available to assist with any safety concerns, emergencies, or general help.

 **Walking Safety Tips**
Help keep your family safe while walking the neighborhood:

- Carry a flashlight or use glow sticks for added visibility.
- Add reflective tape or wear bright-colored costumes to help drivers see you in low light.
- Always walk on sidewalks, and if none are available, walk facing traffic and stay to the far side of the road.
- Children should always be accompanied by a responsible adult.

 **Driving Safety Tips**
Drivers, help us protect trick-or-treaters by following these precautions:

- Drive slowly and cautiously throughout the community.
- Be extra alert for children crossing streets, walking on medians, and emerging from between parked cars.
- Allow extra travel time when entering or exiting the community due to increased pedestrian activity.
- Avoid distractions such as mobile phone use while driving.

We appreciate your cooperation in making Halloween a safe and enjoyable celebration for everyone in Spring Valley Lake.

Thank you, have a safe and Happy Halloween! 🎃 🧛



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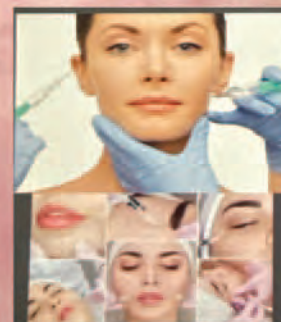
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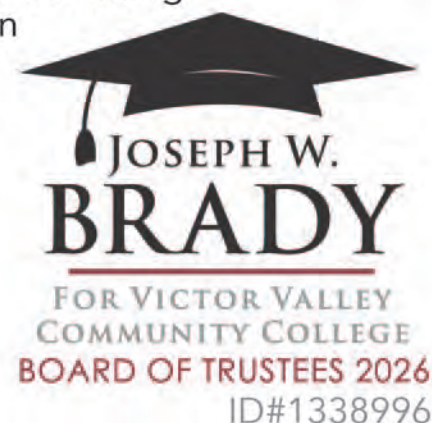
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by Janet Wright, EQ Newsletter Liaison

Howdy Y'all! What a wonderful reprieve we're having from the sweltering hot and humid weather! Hopefully no one got washed away during our recent rain storm! Fall and spooky season has arrived and we can't wait to see everyone's fall and Halloween decorations!

The EQ bridge work is underway and demolition should already be completed and reconstruction beginning by the time this publication comes out. Please be mindful and respectful of construction sites and workers during this time. We are so excited to soon have our bridges back to safely cross on trail rides!



The fire alarm lines at the EQ Center are being replaced to avoid further issues with false alarms. A trench will be dug across the front of the barn to the small barn on the north end of the property. Boarders, please watch for construction updates and information as posted on the white board!

Basketball court resurfacing has begun and should be completed by October 12th.

In regards to the Equestrian Estates sign, the plans are currently with Sierra Pierce, a planner with the town of Apple Valley. She has requested clarification on dimensions and Kolby Moore is working on revising the plans and providing the requested information.

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to our new EQ Ranch Hand, Zamantha! She will be working Saturday-Wednesday while Richard will be working Monday-Friday. Their phone numbers are posted on the white board in the barn for boarders who may need to contact them. Please say hello to Zamantha and give her a gracious welcome and any gentle but helpful advice as I'm sure she's a little nervous about joining her new home! We're grateful to have her!

On behalf of the Equestrian Committee, I extend our deepest apologies for the recent cancellations of our meetings. We greatly value the input and feedback of our community members, but unfortunately some of these cancellations are beyond our control. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, October 20th at 6pm at the EQ Center Clubhouse, barring any unforeseen circumstances.

May Your Boots Be Dusty, Your Hat Be High, and Your Heart Be Happy!

-Janet Wright
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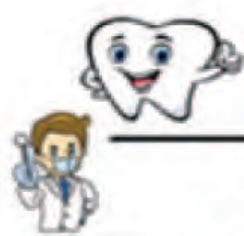
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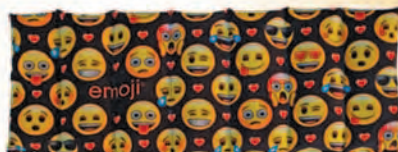
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COMMUNITY events

Event Name	Date	Time	Location
BINGO	Oct 13	6 PM	MLH
KIDS HALLOWEEN	Oct 24	5 PM	MLH
CRAFT FAIR	Nov 14	9 AM	MLH
TREE LIGHTING	Dec 5	5 PM	CC Parking lot
BREAKFAST W/ SANTA	Dec 12	8 AM	MLH



Lake Lowering Project Update

At its September 22, 2026 Open Session meeting, the Board of Directors set the new date for the Lake Lowering project as October 1, 2026. During this time, the Lake will be lowered 60 inches to assess the shoreline for damage and emergency repairs. These assessments will be handled via drone, during the months of November and December.

Important Dates:

October 1, 2026 – Lake begins lowering by 1 inch per day

October 12, 2026 – Entire lake becomes a 5mph zone

October 19, 2026 – ALL powered vessels MUST be removed from the lake

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COMMITTEES	COMMITTEE CHAIR	MONTHLY	TIME/LOC
Architectural Committee	Randy Dewey	2nd & 4th Thurs.	2 PM PVR
Board/Citation Sub-Committee	Staff	1st Tues.	4 PM PVR
Community Event Committee	TBD	1st Tues./Qtr mo	5 PM MLH
Equestrian Estates Committee	Marcia Rhodes	3rd Tues.	6 PM EECH1
Finance Committee	Terry Fitch	1st Tues.	6:30 PM PVR
Lake Committee / Task Force	Bill Mattingly	TBD	TBD
Welcome Committee	Tish Ramirez	2nd Thurs.	6:30 PM PVR

SVL Clubs

CLUBS	FACILITATOR+ CONTACT
Amateur Radio Club - 3rd Sat, 12 PM EQ1	Doug Iverson N6DJI 909-578-1367 KK6SVL@gmail.com
Bible Study - 1st & 3rd Sun, 12 PM / 1st & 3rd TH, 7pm EQ1	Leonor Frazier 760-662-9547
BUNCO, 2nd M @ 5:30 PM MLH	Sandi Harmon 661-510-4543
Yacht Club - 3rd TH, 6-8 PM MLH	David Stolfus 760-985-9223

SVL Recreational Classes

CLASS	DAY	TIME	LOC.	Instructor
Senior Stretches	M,W,F	8 - 9 AM	MLH	Carol Felix 760-843-0627
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Key for Locations

Abbreviation	Name/Location of Facility
MLH - Meadowlark Hall	Community Center 12975 Rolling Ridge Drive (Great Room)
PR - Palm Room	Community Center 12975 Rolling Ridge Drive (Small Room)
PVR - Parkview Room	Community Center 12975 Rolling Ridge Drive (Conference Room)
EQ1	Equestrian Estates Clubhouse, 12660 Indian River Drive, Apple Valley
MLP	Meadow Lark Park, 12975 Rolling Ridge Drive
WB	West Beach, 13230 Country Club Drive
EB	East Beach, 13244 Country Club Drive
PFP	Playfair Park (Equestrian Estates)

The Board of Directors meet the 1st and 4th Tuesday of each month except during holidays. Additional meetings may be added as needed.
Next Board meeting:
BOD Executive Session - Oct. 6 & Oct. 13, 2026, 4:30 PM - PVR
BOD Open Session - Oct. 27, 2026, 6 PM - MLH

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