

Willows Monthly Newsletter

July 2026



Top Stories:

- UPDATE: Law Enforcement Services Contract & Court Case
- City Council Candidate Filing Period is Open, **July 13 - August 7, 2026**
- City Council is Accepting Applications to fill a Council Vacancy
- Save the Date: **September 10** - Willows Water Fest!
- New: Become a City Vendor or Contractor!
- Jump Start registration is now open!
- Check out the summer events at the library!

Upcoming Meetings

City Council.

- **July 28** - Regular Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.
- **August 11** - Cancelled
- **August 18** - Special Meeting, City Council Applicant Interviews
- **August 25** - Regular Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.

Planning Commission

- **July 29** - Special Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.
- **August 4** - Regular Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.

Finance & Measure i Committee

- **July 21** - Cancelled

ADMINISTRATION

General Operations, City Clerk's Office & Economic Development

UPDATE: Law Enforcement Services Contract & Court Case

As of July 20, 2026, the status of the City of Willows law enforcement services contract with the Glenn County Sheriff's Office is as follows (starting off from the [2026 June Newsletter](#)):

- **July 6** - Council authorized the City Manager to execute an agreement with Mike Maloney (retired Chief of Police, Chico) of Maloney Consulting & Investigative Solutions for a not to exceed amount of \$60,000 for Law enforcement related administrative consulting to assist the City of Willows with short-term law enforcement solutions, as well as assist with developing the required administrative foundation to re-establish a municipal police department in the longer term.
- **July 9** - In Glenn County Superior Court, Judge Hanna of Shasta County dismissed the City of Willows request for a Temporary Restraining Order and injunction to require the Glenn County Sheriff's Office to continue providing law enforcement services based on the [Sheriff's June 25, 2026 press release](#) that he would "comply with [his] constitutional and statutory obligations and duties, and will perform these obligations and duties in accordance with all applicable laws."
- **July 9** - Judge Hanna cancelled the previously scheduled July 17 court date and rescheduled it for August 13 to hear the City of Willows' case regarding a permanent injunction requiring the Glenn County Sheriff's Office to continue providing law enforcement services until a new agreement may be reached.

- **July 14** - the City Council authorized the City Manager to execute an agreement with [Colantuono, Highsmith and Whately, PC](#) as outside legal counsel regarding the legal matter between the County of Glenn and the City of Willows for law enforcement services.
- **July 16** - Glenn County Counsel filed a demurrer to dismiss the case and cancel the August 13 court date. Judge Hanna's decision is yet to be determined.



City Council Candidate Filing is Open

Candidate filing is now open for two (2) **City Council seats**, each with a **four-year term**, to be elected at the **November 3, 2026, General Municipal Election**. The nomination period is **Monday, July 13, through Friday, August 7, 2026.**

Prospective candidates may obtain nomination papers from the City Clerk's Office at:

Willows City Hall
201 N. Lassen Street
Willows, CA 95988

Office Hours:

Monday through Thursday: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Friday: By appointment

Applicants are encouraged to make an appointment by calling (530) 934-7041, ext. 102. For more information, visit the [City's website](#).

Now Accepting Applications to fill a Council Vacancy!

The City of Willows is accepting applications from qualified residents interested in serving on the Willows City Council to **fill a vacant seat** for the remainder of the current term, ending in November 2028.

Applicants must be at least 18 years of age, a United States citizen, a registered voter, and a resident of the City of Willows. The City Council will fill the vacancy by appointment following a public application and interview process.

Applications and information are available from the City Clerk's Office at Willows City Hall, 201 North Lassen Street, or online at www.cityofwillows.org. **The application deadline is August 7, 2026.**

Save the Date: September 10 - Willows Water Fest!

Mark your calendars for **Thursday, September 10, from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m.**, and join the City of Willows and California Water Service (Cal Water) for **Willows Water Fest!**

This free, family-friendly celebration commemorates the **City of Willows' 140th Anniversary** and **Cal Water's 100th Anniversary** with an evening of fun, entertainment, and community spirit.

Enjoy water-themed activities, live music, a free barbecue, community booths, friendly competitions, educational exhibits, and interactive displays highlighting the importance of water and the history of water service in Willows. The event will celebrate the longstanding partnership between the City and Cal Water while bringing the community together for an evening of family fun.

Additional event details, including the location and activity schedule, will be announced soon. We look forward to celebrating these historic milestones with the entire community!!

City Council Action Roundup

June 9, June 23, and June 29 City Council Meetings

June 9

- Adopted Resolution 18-2026 extending service charges imposed on improved real property within the incorporated area of the City of Willows for the use of and/or ability to use the Glenn County Solid Waste System during Fiscal Year 2026-27.

- Introduced by title only and waived the first reading of the text of an ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WILLOWS, CALIFORNIA ADDING CHAPTER 3.12 (CANNABIS BUSINESS TAX) TO TITLE 3 OF THE WILLOWS MUNICIPAL CODE ESTABLISHING A TAX ON CANNABIS BUSINESS ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE CITY,” subject to voter approval at the November 3, 2026, General Municipal Election, and scheduled a public hearing for the second reading and adoption of the Ordinance at the June 23, 2026, City Council meeting.
- Adopted Resolution 19-2026, authorizing the City Manager, or her designee, to submit an application for Staffing and Adequate Fire & Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant funding, using the services of JMCM Consulting, to fund the hiring of additional firefighters.
- Approved a 60-day extension of the Harris & Associates Title 18 (Zoning) Municipal Code Update completion date from June 30, 2026, to August 29, 2026, and authorized the City Manager to execute a contract amendment.
- Approved a \$1000 sponsorship of the 2026 Willows 4th of July Fireworks Show.
- Adopted Resolution 20-2026 establishing the FY 2025-26 Appropriations Limit for the City of Willows.
- Held the annual public hearing on the status of vacant positions in city employment and recruitment strategies.
- Approved Resolution 21-2026 adopting the FY 2026-27 Budget.
- Adopted Resolution 22-2026 authorizing the City Manager, or her designee, to enter into a lease agreement with Community Leasing Partners for the purchase and outfitting of a new Type 1 fire engine for a term of ten (10) years.
- Adopted Resolution 23-2026, authorizing the City Manager, or her designee, to execute a contract with Golden State Fire Apparatus to purchase a new Pierce Enforcer PUC Type 1 Fire Engine in the amount of \$1,328,229.13.

June 23

- Adopted Resolution 24-2026 establishing the FY 2026-27 Appropriations Limit for the City of Willows.
- Adopted Resolution 25-2026 calling for and giving notice of a General Municipal Election to be consolidated with the Statewide General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, for the election of two City Council Members; requesting the County of Glenn approve said consolidation; requesting the County render specified election services for such election; and setting forth regulations for candidate statements.

- Conducted a public hearing and approved Resolution 26-2026 adopting the Five-Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for Fiscal Years 2025-2029.
- Conducted the required public protest hearing and adopted Resolution 27-2026 approving the Engineer's Report as filed, confirming the assessment diagram and amounts as set forth therein and authorizing the levy and collection of assessments for Fiscal Year 2026-27.
- Conducted a public hearing; adopted by title only and waived the second reading of the text of an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WILLOWS, CALIFORNIA ADDING CHAPTER 3.12 (CANNABIS BUSINESS TAX) TO TITLE 3 OF THE WILLOWS MUNICIPAL CODE ESTABLISHING A TAX ON CANNABIS BUSINESS ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE CITY," subject to voter approval at the November 3, 2026, General Municipal Election; and adopted Resolution 28-2026 establishing November 3, 2026 as the date for a General Election on a proposed ballot measure seeking voter approval of a General Business Tax on Cannabis Businesses operating in the City of Willows.

June 29

- Adopted an Emergency Proclamation of the City Council proclaiming a Public Safety Emergency due to lack of Law Enforcement Services beginning July 1, 2026



**Proclamation: Family Owned
and Operated Business Day**
Received by Jessica Tapia, Chamber of
Commerce.



Proclamation:
National Food Truck Day
Received by Jessica Tapia, Chamber of
Commerce.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & SERVICES

**Building, Code Enforcement, Engineering, Planning, Public Works,
Sewage, Public Facilities, Fleet and Capital Projects**

Code Enforcement Division

Willows Municipal Code Fun

Fact:

§ 10.55.120

**Regulations within designated
skateboard/skating areas.**



- (1) No person shall skate or skateboard at any time other than those established as the hours of operation. The hours of operation shall be daylight hours only from dawn until dusk;
- (2) No person shall use the skateboard/skating areas for uses other than for skateboarding, in-line skating, and roller skating;
- (3) No person shall use the designated skateboard/skating areas unless they wear proper safety equipment including a helmet, elbow pads, and knee pads suitable to provide protection in the event of falls or collisions;
- (4) No person shall ride or cause bicycles to be on the skating surface of the skateboard/skating area;
- (5) No person shall cause additional obstacles or other materials such as ramps or jumps to be brought into the designated skateboard/skating area;
- (6) No person shall use alcohol or drugs in the designated skateboard/skating area;
- (7) All persons using the skateboard/skating area must place trash in cans provided by the city or such persons shall be removed from the designated skateboard/skating areas;
- (8) No person shall cause graffiti or tagging on the skateboard/skating areas;
- (9) No food or drink is allowed on skating surface;
- (10) No person shall skate on the curbs and driveways of the city-owned area surrounding the skateboard/skating areas.

(Prior code § 11-94; Ord. 661-99, 3-23-1999)

Engineering Division

5 Year Sewer Rate Study Approved

The City Council approved a five-year sewer rate plan effective August 1, 2026. As part of its action, the Council specifically recommended and voted to keep single-family residential sewer rates unchanged for Fiscal Year 2026–27.

Sewer revenues fund operations, maintenance, regulatory compliance, debt service, reserves, equipment, and capital improvements. The five-year plan is intended to support millions of dollars in planned capital improvement projects at the wastewater treatment plant and throughout the sewer collection system. These projects include wastewater treatment plant upgrades, improvements to aging pond and treatment infrastructure, replacement of deteriorated sewer mains and manholes, and the purchase of equipment needed for routine maintenance and sanitary sewer overflow response. Many parts of the City’s sewer system are approximately 100 years old and require rehabilitation or replacement.

Staff is also pursuing grants and reviewing possible alternatives for the wastewater treatment plant pond liners, which could significantly reduce project costs. The Council will review rates annually. If grants are secured or project costs decline, future scheduled rates may be reduced. However, rates cannot be increased above the maximum amounts approved through this process without completing a new Proposition 218 notice and hearing process. The approved rate study remains valid for five years.

Commercial rates are now based more directly on business type, wastewater strength, and water use. Many commercial customers may see lower bills because the new structure includes a customer service charge and minimum flow allowance rather than applying the previous fixed and volumetric charges in the same manner.

For example, an office using 8 hundred cubic feet of water per month would decrease from approximately \$131.62 to \$75.13, while an office using 15 hundred cubic feet would decrease from approximately \$170.12 to \$106.14. See example below.

Multi-family residential accounts are also more accurately reflected under the updated structure, which may result in higher bills for some properties while improving equity among customer classes.



Example Commercial Bills

Current Bill – Office using 8 hcf

	Rate		Count	Charges
Fixed Charge	\$87.62	x	1	\$87.62
Volumetric Charge	\$5.50	x	8	\$44.00
Total Monthly Bill				\$131.62

Proposed August 1, 2026

	Rate		Count	Charges
Customer Service Charge	\$39.69	x	1	\$39.69
Flow and Strength Minimum	\$4.43	x	8	\$35.44
Subtotal Base Fee				\$75.13
Flow Above Minimum	\$4.43	x	0	\$0.00
Total Monthly Bill				\$75.13
\$ Change				-\$56.49
% Change				-42.9%

Current Bill – Office using 15 hcf

	Rate		Count	Charges
Fixed Charge	\$87.62	x	1	\$87.62
Volumetric Charge	\$5.50	x	15	\$82.50
Total Monthly Bill				\$170.12

Proposed August 1, 2026

	Rate		Count	Charges
Customer Service Charge	\$39.69	x	1	\$39.69
Flow and Strength Minimum	\$4.43	x	8	\$35.44
Subtotal Base Fee				\$75.13
Flow Above Minimum	\$4.43	x	7	\$31.01
Total Monthly Bill				\$106.14
\$ Change				-\$63.98
% Change				-37.6%

Civic Center ADA Upgrades

Construction will begin soon on critical accessibility improvements at City Hall and the Library. The project will install push button automatic ADA doors at all three public entrances, making it easier for residents and visitors with mobility limitations to access both buildings.

The work will also include ADA parking improvements to provide safer, more accessible routes from designated parking spaces to the Civic Center entrances. These upgrades will improve public access throughout the City Hall and Library complex.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Solar Project

Installation of the new solar system at the City's wastewater treatment plant remains on schedule for completion by the end of the calendar year. The new solar array will supplement the existing solar panels, with the combined systems designed to generate enough electricity to meet the wastewater treatment plant's full power needs.

Recent work has included underground conduit installation, construction of the new switchgear pad, and placement of electrical equipment. Solar array construction and the remaining electrical connections will continue in the fall.



Planning Division

Public Input Invited on Zoning Code Update

The City of Willows invites residents, property owners, business owners, and other interested community members to participate in the review of the City's comprehensive update to Chapter 18 (Zoning) of the Willows Municipal Code.

The Planning Commission will hold a **special meeting on Wednesday, July 29, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.** at Willows City Hall, 201 North Lassen Street, to review the final draft of the proposed zoning code update and consider a recommendation to the City Council.

Chapter 18 establishes the City's zoning and development regulations, including permitted land uses, development standards, parking requirements, signage, and permitting procedures. The proposed update is intended to modernize the code, improve clarity, and better serve the community's current and future development needs.

Community input is encouraged. This meeting provides an opportunity to learn about the proposed changes, ask questions, and provide comments before the Planning Commission forwards its recommendation to the City Council.

Upcoming Regular Planning Commission Meeting – August 4

The Willows Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, **August 4, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.** at Willows City Hall to consider the following items:

Cannabis Signage Design Review

The Commission will conduct a design review for proposed signage for a cannabis business located at 130 North Butte Street. Members of the public are invited to attend and provide comments on the proposed sign design.

Spark by Hilton Project Extension

The Commission will consider a request to extend the approvals for the Spark by Hilton hotel project at 457 North Humboldt Avenue. Originally approved on August 5, 2025, the project includes the expansion of the existing hotel with 36 additional guest rooms. The applicant is currently completing construction plans for submission to the City's Building Department.

Community members are encouraged to attend the meeting to learn more about these projects and participate in the public review process.

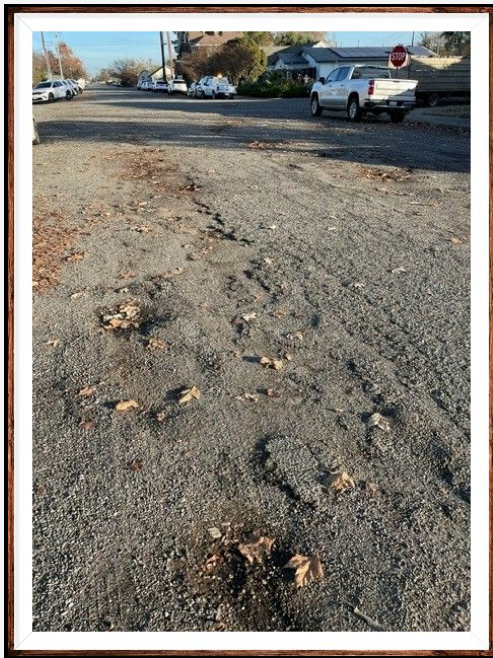
Public Works Division

New: Become a City Vendor or Contractor!

The City of Willows invites local and regional businesses, service providers, and contractors to sign up to be considered for future City purchasing and contracting opportunities.

By submitting the Vendor and Contractor Application, businesses may provide the City with information about the products, services, and types of work they offer. This helps City staff identify qualified vendors when requesting quotes, purchasing supplies, hiring professional services, or soliciting contractors for eligible public works projects. Registration does not guarantee work, but it helps ensure your business is included when relevant opportunities become available.

The [application](#) is available on the [City of Willows website](#).



Oak Street and Madrone Manor Pavement Project

The City of Willows has completed the plans and specifications for the FY 2025–26 Pavement Project and is currently accepting construction bids. The project includes improvements on Oak Street from South Marshall Avenue to South Murdock Avenue and within Madrone Manor, including pavement rehabilitation, new and reconstructed sidewalks and driveways, curb ramp upgrades, striping, pavement markings, and utility adjustments.

The project plans and specifications were developed using Community Development Block Grant

funding. Construction will be funded through other programmed funding sources. Bids are due July 22, 2026, with construction anticipated to move forward following bid review and City Council award.

Skate Park Graffiti Removed

City Public Works staff recently painted over graffiti at the skate park, including several inappropriate and sexually explicit images. The cleanup helps keep the park welcoming and appropriate for youth, families, and other community members.



Residents are encouraged to report graffiti or vandalism to the City so it can be addressed as quickly as possible. Please call: (530) 934-7041 or complete and submit a [Code Enforcement Complaint form](#) through the City's web portal.

Recreation Division

Jump Start registration is now open!

The City of Willows Jump Start Program offers children ages 2 to 5 a fun, structured environment to build social skills, confidence, and positive peer interaction through music, arts and crafts, games, and other age-appropriate activities.

One-week sessions are held **Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** through **July 31**. The cost is \$20 per child, per session, and children must be potty trained.

Registration remains open for the remaining weeks. Families can register using the QR code on the program flyer or through the [City of Willows Recreation Portal](#).

CITY OF WILLOWS

JUMP START PROGRAM

REGISTRATION OPENS ONLINE MONDAY, JUNE 1ST

Click on the red View Programs Button

Jump Start focuses on social skills development through activities such as music, arts & crafts, indoor & outdoor play and much more.

ONE WEEK SESSIONS FOR CHILDREN AGES 2-5YRS
JULY 6TH - JULY 31ST 8AM-12PM

Children must be potty trained
\$20 Fee per child per session
Sessions are Mon-Fri from 8am to 12pm

QUESTIONS CONTACT (530)518-6572

CIUDAD DE WILLOWS

PROGRAMA JUMP START

LA INSCRIPCIÓN SE ABRE LUNES, JUNIO 1

Haz clic en el botón rojo «Ver programas».

Jump Start se centra en el desarrollo de habilidades sociales a través de actividades como música, artes y manualidades, juegos en interiores y exteriores y mucho más.

SESIONES DE UNA SEMANA PARA NIÑOS DE 2 A 5 AÑOS JULIO 6 - JULIO 31 8AM-12PM

Los niños deben saber ir al baño.
Tarifa de \$20 por niño por sesión.
Sesiones son Lunes-Viernes 8am to 12pm

PREGUNTAS CONTACTE (530)518-6572

Free Community Swimming Continues Through August 1

There's still time to cool off this summer! Free community swimming will continue through the end of July, providing residents of all ages with a fun and refreshing way to beat the heat.

Whether you're looking to swim laps, spend time with family, or simply enjoy the water, everyone is welcome to take advantage of this free community program before the summer season comes to a close. Check the City's website or contact the pool for the current schedule and hours.

FREE COMMUNITY SWIMMING

City of Willows Summer Pool Program

Cool off this summer!



June 8, 2026 – August 1, 2026



1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.



Monday through Saturday



Location: Willows High School Pool



Free of charge for the community



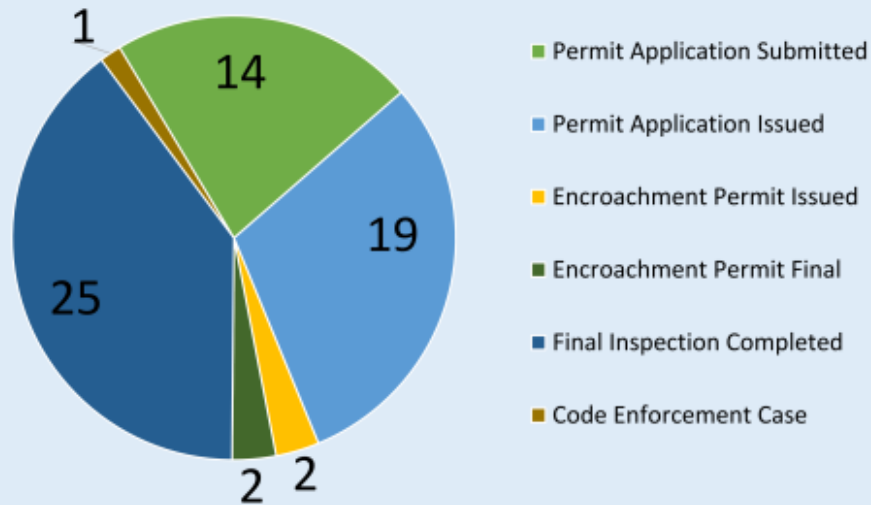
No Pool on These Dates:

**June 12, June 15, June 18, June 22,
June 25, June 26, June 29, July 2,
July 6, July 9, and July 10**



Please follow all posted pool rules and enjoy a safe summer.

Community Development Activity June 2026



FINANCE



City of Willows Adopts FY 2026–27 Budget

Investing in the Future

The City Council has adopted the FY 2026–27 Budget, a balanced financial plan that maintains essential services while investing in the future of our community. The budget continues funding for public safety, infrastructure improvements, sewer system upgrades, parks, and technology while maintaining healthy financial reserves.

Public Safety

Law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical services remain the City's highest funding priority.

Public Works

Funding continues for street maintenance, parks, City facilities, and other infrastructure improvements keeping Willows clean, safe, and well maintained.

Sewer Improvements

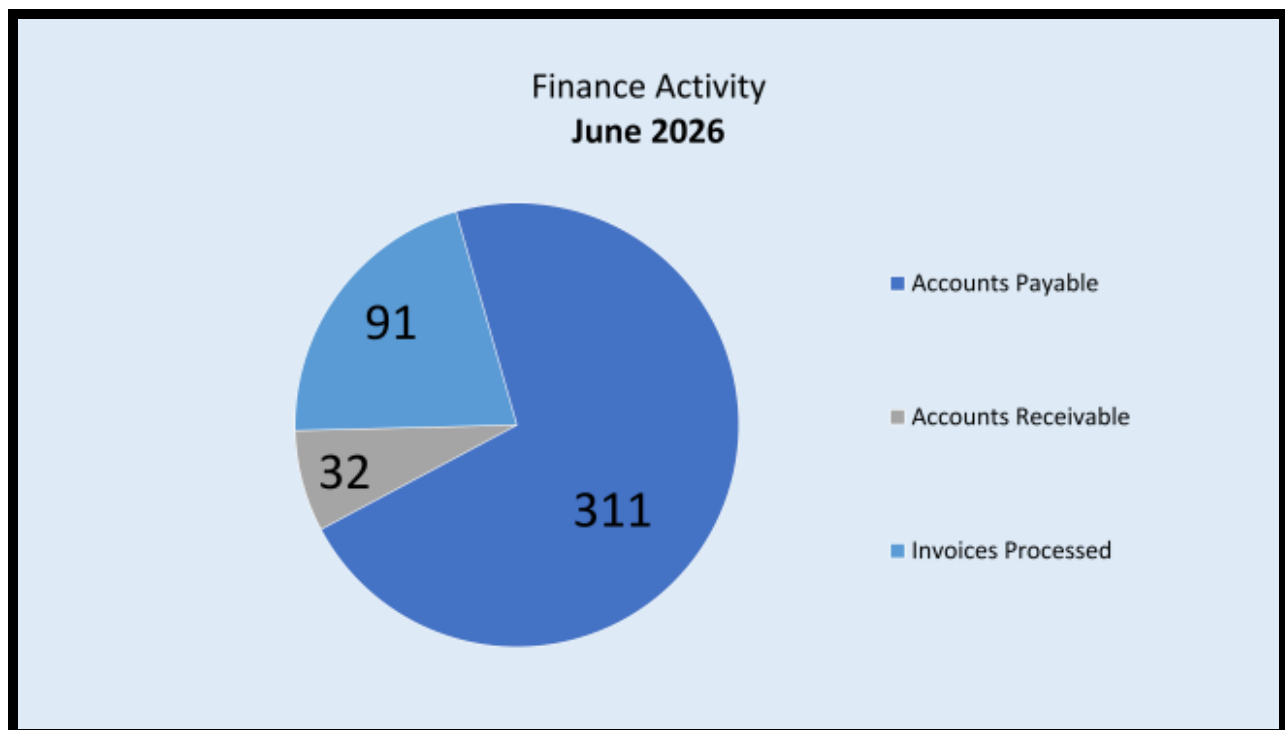
The City continues investing in the replacement of aging sewer infrastructure while transitioning sewer utility billing to an in-house system that provides improved customer service and greater local control.

Community Projects

Major improvements continue at Sycamore Park and the Municipal Pool, including new recreational amenities, park enhancements, and other grant-funded improvements that benefit residents for years to come.

Learn More

The FY 2026–27 detailed line-item budget is available on the [City's website](#).



FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Response, Prevention & Emergency Medical Services

Major Incidents & Emergency Response

Structure Fire at 204 North Merrill Street

On June 11, the Willows Fire Department responded to a residential structure fire at 204 North Merrill Street. Firefighters arrived within one minute of dispatch to find a single-story home heavily involved in fire, with flames threatening the adjacent Willows High School property and a neighboring residence.

Crews initiated an aggressive fire attack and successfully contained the fire to the structure of origin, limiting damage to surrounding properties to minor impacts at the Willows High School cafeteria. The fire was brought under control within 20 minutes of the initial 911 call.

Due to extreme heat and the potential for fire extension, mutual aid resources responded from **Orland, Artois, Kanawha, Elk Creek, Glenn-Codora, Bayliss, and Hamilton City Fire Departments**, while **Colusa County** provided engine coverage for Glenn County during the incident. Firefighters remained on scene for approximately two hours.

The residence was unoccupied at the time of the fire, and no injuries were reported. The structure was declared a total loss. The fire was determined to be human-caused, and the investigation remains ongoing.

The Willows Fire Department extends its appreciation to all mutual aid partners for their prompt response and assistance during this incident.





Burnt out Structure

Prevention

Fire Department Conducts Control Burn for Fireworks Safety

On June 30, the Willows Fire Department conducted a controlled burn along the GCID canal to reduce vegetation and create a safer buffer area in preparation for the City's Fourth of July fireworks display.

This proactive fuel reduction effort helped minimize fire risk and supported the safe execution of the community's Independence Day celebration. The Fire Department appreciates the cooperation of GCID and all those who assisted in ensuring a safe event for the community.

Cal OES Preposition Assignment

In anticipation of Red Flag fire weather conditions, the Willows Fire Department applied for and received a Cal OES preposition assignment for June 10–11. The assignment provided staffing support to ensure resources were strategically positioned and ready for rapid response during a period of elevated wildfire risk.

Prepositioning resources during Red Flag conditions helps improve emergency response capabilities and enhances the safety of the Willows community and surrounding areas.

Events

Willows Fire Department Hosts First Annual Glenn County First Responder Softball Tournament

On June 13, the Willows Fire Department hosted the [First Annual Glenn County First Responder Softball Tournament](#), marking the return of a countywide first responder softball event for the first time since 2011.

The tournament featured 10 teams, including two teams from the Willows Fire Department, and brought together first responders from across the region for a day of friendly competition and community support.

The event was organized and promoted by Willows Fire Department volunteers, whose hard work helped make the tournament a success. Proceeds from the tournament were donated to support two local first responder families who are currently battling cancer.

The Willows Fire Department extends its gratitude to all of the players, volunteers, sponsors, and community members who participated and helped make the inaugural tournament a memorable event. The department and its volunteers look forward to making the tournament an annual tradition.



Highlights

Fire Department Receives ALS Provider Permit Renewal

The Willows Fire Department successfully renewed its Advanced Life Support (ALS) Provider Permit for FY 2026–27. This marked the department's first permit renewal since becoming an ALS provider.

The renewal process was completed with very few issues and proceeded smoothly, reflecting the department's continued commitment to maintaining high standards of emergency medical care and regulatory compliance. The renewed permit allows the department to continue providing advanced life support services to the community.

Library News & Updates

Zip Books Program Update

The California State Library did not receive direct funding for the Zip Books grant program for the upcoming year. Instead, the \$1 million in state funding will be distributed among California's nine regional library consortia.

As a result, the Zip Books program, which has served Willows Library patrons for the past four years, will not continue in its current form. The NorthNet Library System is currently evaluating how best to allocate these funds to meet the diverse needs of libraries throughout Northern California.

The Willows Library will continue to monitor funding decisions and share updates with the community as more information becomes available.

Expanding the Library Collection

With the addition of a full-time Children's Librarian in late March 2026, the City Librarian has been able to devote more time to expanding and enhancing the library's collections.

Between April and June, the library added hundreds of new titles to both its physical collection and the Library-2-Go digital eBook collection. In the coming months, patrons can also look forward to hundreds of new print titles being added to the juvenile and young adult collections.

Be sure to visit the library often to browse the latest arrivals, explore new digital offerings, and take home one of the many discarded books available to the community. There's always something new to discover at your Willows Library!

Seed Library Refreshed for Gardeners

The Willows Library's Seed Library has been refreshed and restocked! Located in the Eubanks Room in the card catalog, the Seed Library offers patrons the opportunity to take seeds, share seeds, and grow their own gardens.

Whether you're planting flowers, vegetables, or herbs, the Seed Library is a free resource designed to encourage gardening, sustainability, and community sharing. Stop by, pick up a packet of seeds, or donate extras from your own garden to help the collection grow.



Upcoming Events

Lunch @ the Library

The Lunch @ the Library program continues through **Wednesday, July 29, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** at Willows High School, in conjunction with the weekly food distribution. Families can enjoy free books to build their home libraries, fun literacy activities, and nutritional support throughout the summer.

Spanish Storytime

Join us for our next Spanish Storytime on **Wednesday, July 29, at 5:00 p.m.** Young children and their families are invited to enjoy stories, songs, and activities in Spanish. Escape the summer heat and share in this fun and engaging family program.

Rural Health Connections: Vial of Life

The final Rural Health Connections program will be held on **Thursday, July 23, at 5:30 p.m.** and will feature the Vial of Life program. Learn how this simple program provides first responders with critical medical information during an emergency. Participants will receive resources to help ensure they and their families are prepared for future medical emergencies.

Storytime with the Farm Bureau

There is still time to join the Willows Library's Summer Reading Program! Readers of all ages are encouraged to participate, with exciting events still to come, including a **Storytime**

with the Farm Bureau on July 31. Registration remains open, and we look forward to reading with you this summer.

A colorful poster for a farm-themed storytime event. At the top left is the Willows Public Library logo with the tagline "Read. Learn. Grow." Below it, the title "STORYTIME WITH THE FARM BUREAU" is written in large, bold, blue letters. Under the title, it says "Filled with fun, laughter, and learning!". To the right is a circular illustration of a green tractor in a yellow field, with a scarecrow and a sign that says "FARM" in the background. Below the tractor is a cup of rainbow-colored ice cream. To the right of the ice cream is a red rounded rectangle containing the text "What's happening:" followed by a bulleted list: "Storytime", "Snacks", and "Learning about Farming!!". At the bottom, there are two purple rounded rectangles: the first contains "JULY 31" and "2:00 PM", and the second contains "Fun for the whole family!". Below these are the address "201 N. Lassen St. Willows Ca, 95988" and the website/contact information "Website: willowspubliclibrary.com" and "Contact: (530) 934-5156". The poster is decorated with colorful geometric shapes at the top and bottom.

Summer Reading Program Kick-Off

The Willows Library officially launched its Summer Reading Program on June 9, welcoming readers of all ages to a summer filled with books, learning, and fun.

The kickoff event featured activities, prizes, and opportunities for families to register for the program and begin tracking their reading. Throughout the summer, participants can enjoy

special performances, educational programs, and hands-on activities while earning rewards for reaching their reading goals.

The Summer Reading Program encourages children, teens, and adults to keep reading throughout the summer and discover all the library has to offer.



Joshua Ray Magic Show Draws Young Readers

On **June 26**, the Willows Library welcomed **Joshua Ray** for a magical afternoon as part of the Summer Reading Program. Families enjoyed an entertaining and interactive magic show that delighted children of all ages while encouraging a love of reading.

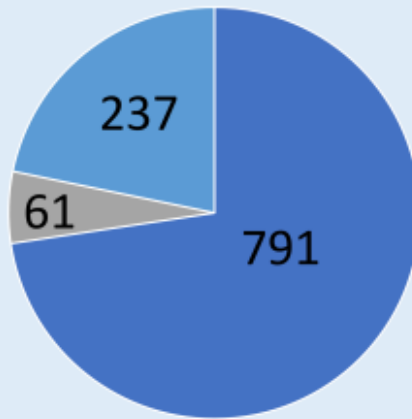
The event was one of several special programs offered throughout the summer to keep children engaged in reading, learning, and exploring during school break. Thank you to everyone who joined us! We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming Summer Reading events!



June Calendar

BACK TO school AUGUST 2026 a b c d e			
TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
4 Storytime @2pm "In a Jar"	5	6 Maker Time @4pm Felt emotional support chicken	7 ★
11	12 Storytime @2pm "Sonya's Chickens"	13 Maker Time @4pm Wooden Car	14 Movie @4pm: Chicken Little
18	19 Storytime @2pm "Bud Finds Her Gifts"	20 Maker Time @4pm Play and Pals	21
25	26 Storytime @ 2pm "Beetle the Imaginary Friend" Guenta Guentos @5pm "Un Pregon de Frutas"	27 Maker Time @4pm Sensory Day	28
Join us on the 31 st for the Summer Reading Success Party @2pm!! We'll be handing out prizes to the winners!			

Circulation of Materials June 2026



Total Circulation = 1089

■ Physical Collection ■ Zip Books ■ Ebooks

Library Activity June 2026



Door Count: 826

Public Computer Use: 38



New Library Card: 42

Items Added to Collection: 337



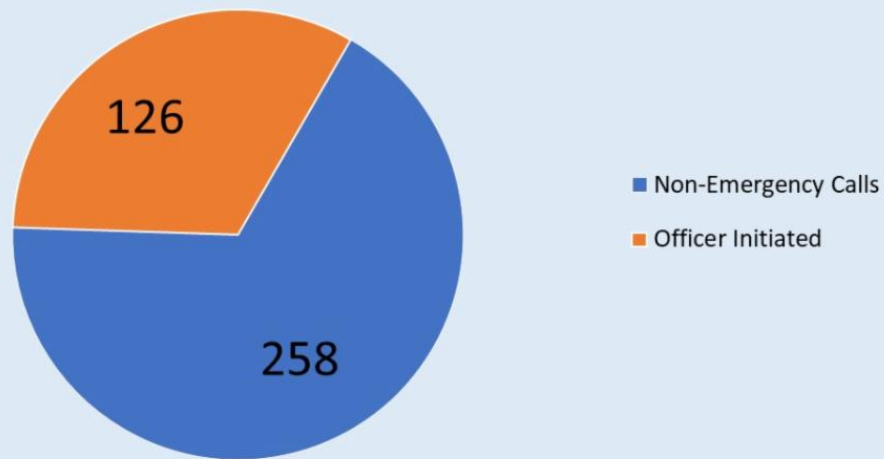
Program Participants: 511

Library Programs: 17



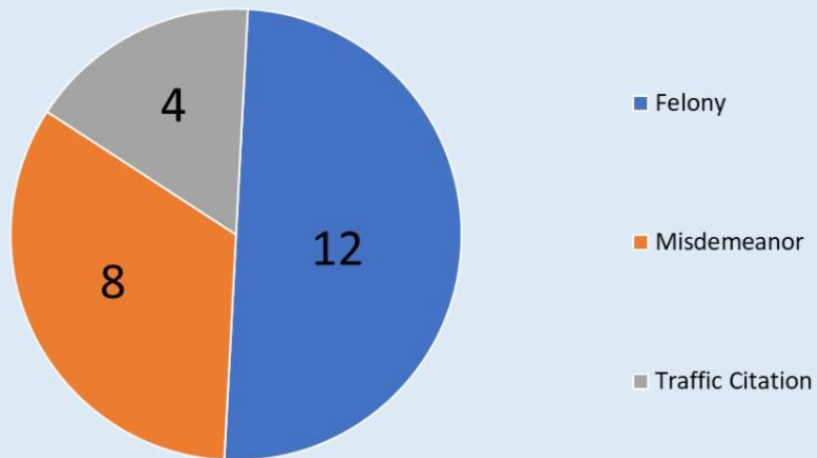
SHERIFF

Sheriff Department Activity – Calls for Service
June 2026



*There were no 9-1-1 calls in the month of June.

Sheriff Department Activity – Arrests & Citations
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