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Hercules began as the California Powder Works company town in 1881. Named after Hercules, the legendary Greek hero known for his strength, the town thrived through 100 years, three transfers of ownership, and five wars. The potent and explosive black powder produced in Hercules was first used by Allied forces in World War One. In 1917, after the U.S. had entered the war, the Hercules plant became the largest producer of TNT in the country.

During the 1960s, the plant made the transition from the production of black powder to fertilizer. Because buffer zones were no longer needed for dynamite production, the company decided to create a new city on the land outside of the plant. After two years of working with consultants and holding numerous public meetings, a general plan for a city of 22,000 residents by the year 2000 was adopted by the City Council.

The plant was sold to Valley Fertilizer, Inc. in 1976 and closed permanently in 1977 due to economic factors. It remained idle until 1979 when it was purchased by a group of investors called Hercules Properties, Ltd. A multitude of development options are now being considered on the historic waterfront property. Meanwhile, the City of Hercules has grown up around the site and is creating its own legacy as a legendary city in its own right.



TOTAL POPULATION

19,488 100.0%

SEX

Male 9,247 47.4%
 Female 10,241 52.6%

AGE

Under 5 years 1,145 5.9%
 5 to 17 years 4,041 20.7%
 18 to 64 years 12,869 66.0%
 65 years and over 1,433 7.4%
 Median age (years) 36.7 (X)

HOUSEHOLDS

Total households 6,423 100.0%
 Family households 5,000 77.8%
 Families with children under 18 2,680 41.7%
 Average household size 3.03 (X)
 Average family size 3.46 (X)

HOUSING OCCUPANCY

Total housing units 6,546 100.0%
 Occupied housing units 6,423 98.1%
 Owner-occupied housing units 5,419 84.4%
 Renter-occupied housing units 1,004 15.6%
 Vacant housing units 123 1.9%
 For rent 14 1.4%
 For sale 59 48.0%

Source: U.S. Census, PL94-171 (March 2001), DP-1 (May 2001) and SF1



CITY OF HERCULES
111 CIVIC DRIVE
HERCULES, CA 94547

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Steve Lawton, Community Development Director..... 510) 799-8233
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 Development Specialist (510) 799-8286

ENGINEERING DIVISION

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BUILDING INSPECTIONS DIVISION

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PUBLIC SERVICES DIVISION

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 Joanne Saporita, Administrative Secretary..... (510) 799-8241

PLANNING DIVISION

Dennis Tagashira, Planning Manager..... (510) 799-8243
 Elizabeth Dunn, Senior Planner..... (510) 799-8254
 Georgiana McCleave, Administrative Secretary (510) 799-8253



UTILITIES & SERVICES

Water - (510) 232-5051

Water service is provided by East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD). There is a fee for setting up a new account. You may telephone the Customer Service Office at (510) 232-5051. They will need your name, address, whether you own or are renting, your employer and your home and work telephone numbers. For more information visit their website at www.ebmud.com.

Garbage and Recycling - (510) 262-1610

Every residence is required to have curbside garbage collection. The fees vary depending on size and number of cans you have. Contact Richmond Sanitary Services at (510) 262-1610, 3260 Blume Drive, Richmond, for more information.

Electricity and Gas - 1-800-PGE-5000

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) provides electricity and gas service to Hercules residences and businesses. They would like a one-week notice for connecting service at your new address. Call them at 1-800-PGE-5000. A deposit is required to establish services. For more information, visit their website at www.pge.com.

Telephone- (800) 310-2355

SBC Pacific Bell

Internet - (800) 310-2355

Pacific Bell offers telephone and DSL Internet connections. For more information, call Customer Service at (800) 310-2355 or visit their website at www.pacbell.com

AT&T offers cable services and Internet access. For more information, call Customer Service at (800) 222-0300 or visit their website at www.att.com.

Television

Hercules also has its own public access television station, Channel 25.

Newspaper - (510) 758-8400

The daily newspaper for Hercules is the West Contra Costa Times.

Department Of Motor Vehicles

1910 North Broadway, Walnut Creek (925) 935-4464
6400 Manila Ave, El Cerrito (510) 235-9171



The City of Hercules Child Care Programs are designed to provide a stimulating and creative environment for youths. The programs are designed to address parental concerns about childcare and early childhood development and to ensure a physically and emotionally non-threatening environment. The philosophy of the child care program is to maintain a structured, well-managed program that enhances children's learning by providing a varied program of recreation, physical activity, and arts and craft activities. The child care program is not designed or intended as an educational program, but one that is based upon enrichment, socialization and recreation

The three childcare sites have become known for their quality service and continue to grow. We now serve over 350 families in the community. With the support of the community, the City of Hercules has been able to develop a unique and creative approach to resolve some of the childcare needs within the community.

CHILD CARE SITE	CONTACT #S
Hanna Ranch Child Care & Teen Programs 2480 Refugio Valley Road Beverly Dupree, Child Coordinator	(510) 245-4803
Lupine Child Care & Tiny Tot Programs 1905 Lupine Road Diana Fall, Child Care Coordinator	(510) 799-8259
Ohlone Child Care 1616 Pheasant Drive Gwendolyn Hill, Child Care Coordinator	(510) 799-8224



TEEN RESOURCE CENTER – 9th - 12th Grade

During the school year does your Teen need access to a Computer or Internet? Need some homework assistance? Looking for a safe environment after school for your Teen to attend? The City of Hercules Teen Resource Center provides Teens 9th -12th graders an opportunity to use computers with Internet access and provide general homework assistance. For more information call Janine Shaheed, Youth/Teen Coordinator at (510) 799-4630 or 799-8291.

YOUTH / TEEN CLUB – 6th - 12th Grade

The City of Hercules Youth and Teen Club are alive and better than ever. This program offers an excellent opportunity for Youths to learn leadership and communication skills and have fun at the same time. All Teen Club Members must be in Middle or High School. Club members will serve as Advisory Teen Council for developing and recommending events; activities and projects to better serve our Youth. For more information, please call Janine Shaheed, Youth/Teen Coordinator (510) 799-4630 or Youth Services Coordinator Beverly Dupree at (510) 245-4803 or the Community/Swim Center at (510) 799-8291

SUMMER YOUTH CAMP – 6th - 8th Grade

This program is available for all Youths entering grades 6, 7 & 8. Planet Youth Teen Summer Camp is back and better than ever! There will be twice as much fun this year at the Hanna Ranch Child Care site. We offer new and exciting field trips, great workshops, special guests, swimming, movie day with the latest PG-13 flicks, arts and crafts, dances, poolside parties, BBQ's, open gym, sports leagues, fitness center and the Teen Resource Center! For more information, please call Beverly Dupree, Youth Services Coordinator at (510) 245-4803.

SUMMER TEEN H2O PROGRAM – 9th - 12th Grade

This program is available for all Teens entering grades 9th-12th grade. Looking for something to do? Looking to have fun this summer? How many times do you listen to your friends complain that there is nothing to do in Hercules? Well, grab a friend and come on down to the Community/Swim Center and enjoy: Basketball/Open Gym, Fitness Center, Public Swim, Youth/Teen Resource Center, Field Trips! For more information on dates and times, please call Janine Shaheed, Youth/Teen Coordinator (510) 799-4630 or 799-8291.

BEFORE AND AFTER MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAM – 6th - 8th Grade

The City of Hercules would like to introduce the Before and After Middle School Program for students 6th grade through 8th grade. This program will provide a safe, secure environment where students can socialize, do their homework, enjoy the recreational activities and to interact with others. This program is available for all Youths entering grades 6, 7 & 8, ages 11 through 13 years of age. For more information, please call Beverly Dupree, Youth Services Coordinator at (510) 245-4803. Or (510) 799-8291.



PRIVATE COURSES

Blackhawk Country Club
 599 Blackhawk Club Dr
 Blackhawk 736-6500

Contra Costa Country Club
 801 Golf Rd
 Pleasanton Hill 680-9887

Crow Canyon Country Club
 711 Silver Lake Dr
 Danville 735-8200

Diablo Country Club
 1700 Clubhouse Rd
 Diablo 837-4221

Discovery Bay Country Club
 1475 Club House Dr
 Byron 634-0700

Mira Vista Golf & Country Club
 7900 Cutting Blvd
 El Cerrito 233-7550

Orinda Country Club
 315 Camino Sobrante
 Orinda 954-4313

Pleasant Hill Country Club
 1093 Grayson Rd
 Pleasant Hill 932-2615

Richmond Country Club
 3900 Giant Rd
 Richmond 232-1080

Rossmoor
 Rossmoor Parkway & Stanley Dollar Dr
 Walnut Creek 933-2607

Round Hill Golf & Country Club
 3169 Round Hill Rd
 Alamo 934-8211

Richmond Country Club
 3900 Giant Rd
 Richmond 232-1080

PUBLIC COURSES

Bethel Island
 3303 Gateway Rd.
 Bethel Island 684-2654

Boundary Oak
 3800 Valley Vista Road
 Walnut Creek 934-6211

Buchanan Fields
 3330 Concord Ave
 Concord 682-1846

Canyon Lakes
 640 Bollinger Canyon
 San Ramon 735-6511

Diablo Creek
 4050 Port Chicago Hwy
 Concord 686-6262

Diablo Hills
 1551 Marchbanks Dr
 Walnut Creek 939-7272

Franklin Canyon
 Highway 4
 Rodeo 799-6169

Lone Tree
 1200 Lone Tree Way
 Antioch 757-5200

Oakhurst
 2500 Indian Head Way
 Clayton 762-0044

Pine Mountain
 451 Vine Hill Way
 Martinez 372-9559

Pittsburg
 Golf Club Rd
 Pittsburg 427-4950

San Ramon Royal
 9430 Fircrest
 San Ramon 828-6100



DOCTORS MEDICAL CENTER- PINOLE CAMPUS

2151 Appian Way
Pinole, CA
510-724-5000

Doctors Medical provides the community a wide range of services including inpatient and outpatient surgery, intensive care, critical care, long term care and more. Also offer 24 hour emergency care.

KAISER PERMANENTE MEDICAL CENTER -RICHMOND

901 Nevin Ave
Richmond
510-307-1500

Medical Offices, outpatient services, This facility is being upgraded to be a full service medical center



The City of Hercules Recreation and Community Services Department invites you to share your precious moments in any of our available parks. Reservations are no longer required for our local parks. Park space is now available on a first-come, first-service basis. Reservations are required for the use of baseball fields. For detailed information on date availability, and application procedures, you may visit the Community/Swim Center located at 2001 Refugio Valley Road during normal business hours. Reservations will be received on a first come, first serve basis. For more information, please call (510) 799-8291.

**** All Facilities and Parks are handicap accessible **.**

Refugio Valley Park Corner of Refugio Valley Road and Pheasant Drive
7 picnic tables, 2 BBQ pits, 4 tennis courts, 37 parking spaces, Jogging Trail, Lake, restrooms, Par course, multi-use field, drinking fountain, Children's tot lot

Ohlone Park 190 Turquoise Drive
8 picnic tables, 12 BBQ pits, open field, nature trail, restrooms, amphitheater

Woodfield Park 1919 Lupine Drive
Children's tot lot, 2 basketball courts, 2 tennis courts, 1 softball field, multi-use field, restrooms

Foxboro Park 1025 Canterbury Avenue
Recreation building, Children's tot lot, 2 tennis courts, 1 basketball court, 4 picnic tables, 4 BBQ pits, multi-use field, jogging trail, restrooms, drinking fountain, street parking

Waterfront Park Corner of Santa Fe and Railroad Avenue
4 BBQ pits, 4 picnic tables, play area, street parking

Hanna Ranch Park 2480 Refugio Valley Road
Softball field, restrooms, parking lot, multi-use field, bleachers, jogging trail



ANIMALS

- Barking dogs..... 925-943-5844
- Dog licenses.....925-646-2958
- Injured wild animal (Lindsay Wildlife Museum, 1931 First Ave., WC)
.....925-935-1978
- Lost and found pets (County Animal Shelter, Martinez)
.....925-798-1773
- Spay and neuter clinic (County Animal Shelter, Martinez)
.....925-646-4484
- Vicious animal (daytime)..... 925-646-2995

UNWANTED OR STRAY ANIMALS:

County Animal Control, 4849 Imhoff Drive, Martinez
(Well-lit, 24-hour depository)925-646-2995

FAST FACTS

Local Weather

Month	Avg. High	Avg. Low	Avg. Precip.	Record High	Record Low
January	57.1° F	40.2° F	4.8 in	73° F (01/23/1988)	26° F (01/23/1962)
February	60.9° F	42.5° F	3.7 in	80° F (02/28/1986)	26° F (02/05/1976)
March	62.6° F	43° F	3.9 in	83° F (03/17/1972)	29° F (03/04/1976)
April	66.2° F	44.5° F	1.9 in	97° F (04/30/1981)	30° F (04/01/1976)
May	68.5° F	47.4° F	.4 in	99° F (05/28/1984)	35° F (05/19/1974)
June	72.2° F	51.1° F	.2 in	104° F (06/03/1960)	41° F (06/05/1976)
July	74.8° F	52.8° F	.1 in	103° F (07/18/1988)	44° F (07/14/1978)
August	75.3° F	53.9° F	.1 in	100° F (08/30/1968)	43° F (08/13/1979)
September	76° F	53.6° F	.4 in	104° F (09/12/1979)	41° F (09/23/1960)
October	72.6° F	50.6° F	1.9 in	103° F (10/06/1987)	32° F (10/30/1961)
November	64.1° F	45.3° F	3.9 in	90° F (11/05/1976)	30° F (11/29/1975)
December	57.5° F	40.8° F	3.9 in	76° F (12/13/1958)	18° F (12/10/1972)



Chicago Pizza Kitchen
 844 Willow Ave.,
 Hercules, CA 94547..... (510) 799-3391

Culinary Concepts Catering
 844 Willow Ave.,
 Hercules, CA 94547..... (510) 799-3391

Dragon Terrace
 1581 Sycamore Ave.,
 Hercules, CA 94547..... (510) 799-3838

Marylous Homemade Delights
 1572 Sycamore Ave
 Hercules, CA 94547..... (510) 245-1100

Rickys Corner Cocktail Lounge
 Rodeo, CA 94572..... (510) 799-3311

Round Table Pizza Hercules
 1511 Sycamore Ave
 Hercules, CA 94547..... (510) 799-1966

Willow Garden Restaurant
 844 Willow Ave
 Hercules, CA 94547..... (510) 799-0778

Wok in & Out Food To Go
 1572 Sycamore Ave
 Hercules, CA 94547..... (510) 799-9898

Won Thai Cuisine
 844 Willow Ave
 Hercules, CA 94547..... (510) 799-6800



St Patricks Catholic Church School

Rodeo, CA 94572

(510) 799-2506

Full Gospel Fellowship

960 Willow Ave

Hercules, CA 94547

(510) 799-7783

Hilltop Trinity Church of The Nazarene

Hercules, CA 94547

(510) 245-3821



WEST CONTRA COST UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Administration Office
 1108 Bissell Avenue
 Richmond, CA 94802
 (510) 234-3825

Ohlone Elementary School
 1616 Pheasant Drive
 Hercules, CA 94547
 (510) 799-0889

Hercules Elementary School
 1919 Lupine Road
 Hercules, CA 94547
 (510) 799-3930

Hanna Ranch Elementary
 2480 Refugio Valley Road
 Hercules, CA 94547
 (510) 245-9902

Hercules Middle School
 1900 Refugio Valley Road
 Hercules, CA 94547
 510) 245-5000

John Swett Unified School District

Administration Office
 341 "B" Street
 Crockett, CA 94525
 (510) 787-1141

Hillcrest Elementary
 601 California Street
 Rodeo, CA 94572
 (510) 799-4431

Carquinez Middle School
 1099 Pomona
 Crockett, CA 94525
 (510) 787-1080

Garretson Head Start
 545 Garretson Avenue
 Rodeo, CA 94572
 (510) 245-9445

Hercules High School
 1900 Refugio Valley Road
 Hercules, CA 94547
 510) 245-5000

John Swett High School
 1098 Pomona
 Crockett, CA 94525
 (510) 787-1088



UNDERSTANDING STATE SCHOOL RANKINGS

The scores assigned range from a low of 1 to a high of 99. The scores represent percentage of how each school has scored in relationship to the other schools in California.

For Example. A school scoring an 80 has done 80% better than the other schools in California

	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Hillcrest Elementary										
Reading	30	17	26	23						
Language	24	15	25	22						
Mathematics	45	35	33	24						
Spelling	33	40	33	29						
Hanna Ranch Elementary										
Reading	53	43	54	41						
Language	56	47	61	50						
Mathematics	65	76	69	56						
Spelling	70	67	73	62						
Hercules Elementary										
Reading	42	38	28	40						
Language	50	43	34	39						
Mathematics	43	59	45	46						
Spelling	64	66	51	48						
Ohlone Elementary										
Reading	52	38	38	43						
Language	29	47	48	42						
Mathematics	33	52	49	50						
Spelling	77	67	59	61						
Hercules Middle /High										
Reading					51	55	45	54	59	37
Language					53	55	44	56	61	43
Mathematics					63	53	49	62	55	52
Spelling					66	62	56	51	55	49
Carquinez Middle										
Reading					36	41	46			
Language					35	39	41			
Mathematics					27	35	45			
Spelling					40	34	40			
Swett High										
Reading								49	37	39
Language								44	45	41
Mathematics								53	47	39
Science								39	47	33



The Hercules Senior Center welcomes all seniors! The Center was funded by a combination of the Senior Center Bond Act. Program sponsored by the State Department on Aging and Local City Funding. Local Senior citizens were involved in all phases of the planning from design, decorations to program planning.

The Senior Center is located at 111 Civic Drive adjacent to the Civic Center Plaza. This lovely modern facility offers a wide variety of services, classes and activities to our seniors at little or no cost. We work closely with the West Contra Costa Unified School District, local colleges and a local holistic institute to provide a variety of classes. The Rodeo/Hercules Fire District does blood pressure checks and the Hercules Police Department works with us on Senior Safety issues.

THE HERCULES SENIOR CENTER OFFERS CLASSES AND ACTIVITIES SUCH AS:

Beginning and Intermediate Tap Dancing, Bingo, low impact exercise, computer training, quilting, Tai-Chi, Art, folk dance, card group and various crafts.

On Mondays and Fridays from 10:15 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. is our Goodie Store!

The Hercules Senior Center would like to introduce HICAP (Health Insurance Counseling Advocacy Program)! This program provides counseling services to seniors on how to decrease prescription costs. A trained and experienced counselor is available on the 1st Monday of each month from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. If you want information on these and other issues, please call (510) 799-8219 and make a HICAP appointment today!

The Hercules Senior Center is the host of the Co-Co Cafe, Monday through Friday. Suggested donation for seniors is from \$1.50 to \$1.75. Suggested donation for those under 60 is \$3.75. Reservations must be made one day in advance before 12:30 p.m.

For more information on classes, activities or for joining the Senior Center, please contact Janet Bewley, Senior Center Coordinator at (510) 799-8219 or email at janet.bewley@ci.hercules.ca.us



CREEKSIDE CENTER

Creekside Family Dentistry
 Hercules Pet Clinic
 Hercules Round Table Pizza
 Hercules Florist and Gifts
 Richard's Place
 Family Hair Cuttery
 Vi's Nails
 Mail Boxes Etc.
 Cigarettes Cheaper! #853
 Taco Bell
 Diamond Video
 Dragon Terrace
 Drs. Frank & Katerina Zisman (Optometry)
 Hercules Chiropractic Center
 Creekside Dry Cleaners
 H & R Block Tax Services, Inc.
 Sycamore Medical Group, Inc.
 Hercules Cleaners
 Creekside Cafe
 Betty J. Fong, DDS
 Stylistic Beauty Supply
 Rite Aid #5923
 Bank of America
 U.S. Postal Service

HERCULES

Jack N' The Box
 Shell Gas Station
 Starbuck's Coffee
 Radio Shack

ALFRED NOBEL DRIVE

Emerald Home Loan/Diamond Realty
 Mechanics Bank
 Calrecovery Inc.
 Caltrans
 District Council Iron Workers Instrument
 Families First
 Radstons
 Promedia - Ultrasound
 Bio-Rad

RAILROAD AVENUE

Hercules Properties, Inc.

HIGHWAY 4

Franklin Canyon Golf Course
 Martech International, Inc.
 B D Swan & Company, Inc.
 Agile

LINUS PAULING DRIVE

Social Service Department
 Western Record Sales
 Northview Biosciences
 AC Paper & Supply
 Contra Costa County Employment
 & Human Services Department

SYCAMORE PLACE

Hercules Medical Group
 Huntington Learning Center
 Alcibades R. Abad, C.P.A.
 Sunflower Bakery
 RSM Oriental Food Mart/Restaurant
 Donald Linck, Orthodontist
 Hercules Realty & Financial Services
 Allstate
 Hercules Dental Care
 Emma M. Magbitang New York Life
 Beverly Scherf, Ph.D. (Psychologist)

WILLOW AVENUE

Soriano's Realty
 Circle K Stores, Inc. #5430
 Willow Food and Liquor
 Marital Arts
 Patrick's Donuts
 Chicago Pizza Kitchen
 TLC Services
 Willow Cleaners
 Videos 2 U
 Willow Garden Restaurant
 Guerrero Insurance Agency
 Beauty Cuts
 Burger King
 76 Gas Station
 Won Thai

PARK LAKE PLAZA

McDonald's Hercules
 Park Lake Cleaner
 Subway Sandwiches and Salads
 Wok In & Out Food to Go
 Wells Fargo Bank
 Marylou's Homemade Delights
 Park Lake Family Dentistry
 Albertson Store



Martin Luther King Jr. Day		January 20, 2003
Cultural Festival	City Sponsored	June 7 & 8, 2003
Philippine Independence Day Celebration		June 14, 2003
4th of July Parade	Co-Sponsored/Citizens Comm.	Friday, July 4, 2003
Family Night/Adult Night	City Sponsored	Sunday, July 20, 2003
Concerts in the Park	City Sponsored	Friday, August 1, 2003 Friday, August 8, 2003 Friday, August 15, 2003
3rd Annual Halloween Haunted House	Teen Club	October 31, 2003
Clean-Up Day	City Sponsored	November 22, 2003
Holiday Tree Lighting	City Sponsored	The First Friday in December

ACTIVITY AND SPORTS CLASSES

The City of Hercules invites you to explore the wide variety of classes it offers. From cultural cooking to martial arts, oil painting and finance, we've got it all! A description of classes can be found in our quarterly Herculean or online at <http://www.ci.hercules.ca.us/New/Rec/classes.htm>

Interested in one or more of our activities? Print out a registration **form**, fill it in, and return it to us, or simply call us at (510) 799-8291



SAN FRANCISCO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

650 876-7834

BART

Transit Information 925-676-2278

BART Police 925-464-7000

BUS SERVICE

(510) 724-7993.

Bus service in the City of Hercules is provided by WestCAT, which operates local fixed routes, Express routes and Paratransit within its service area.

Paratransit service is available to seniors and people with disabilities throughout the WestCAT service area.