



Economic Development Department

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Featured Property



913 W. March Lane
For Lease
±13,476 SF

Prime March Lane frontage in College Square Shopping Center. High Traffic Corridor Center anchored by Hobby Lobby, Planet Fitness, Big 5 Sporting Goods and Office Depot. Adjacent to San Joaquin Delta College (19,000 enrollment) and near University of the Pacific. Dominant Stockton retail trade area between I-5 and Highway 99.

[Click here for the flyer](#)
For more information on this property, contact Lisa Hodgson (209) 475-5111.

To find additional available properties, visit [AdvantageStockton.com](#)

Upcoming Events

Business Procurement Capability Statement Development Workshop
December 2, 2016
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
56 S. Lincoln Street
[Click here to register](#)

Chamber Diversity Mixer
December 8, 2016
5:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.
University of the Pacific Vereschagin Alumni House
1022 Dave Brubeck Way

Refreshments with the Recyclers
Learn how to reduce garbage in our landfill
December 13, 2015
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Stockton Hilton
2323 Grand Canal Blvd.
[For more information and tickets click here](#)

Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Workshops Starting & Financing a Business
December 14, 2016
4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
December 28, 2016
Noon - 2:00 p.m.
56 S. Lincoln Street
[Click here for information](#)

The STOCKMARKET
December 10, 2016
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Miracle Mile

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Stockton Business Survey
How is your business doing?



Do you know there are many resources available for you and your Stockton business? We value your opinion and want to hear from you, the local business community. Please take this short five minute survey. Providing your name is optional or you can leave your contact information and we will follow up to answer your questions.
[Click here for the survey](#)

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Small Business Monthly Update

December 2016

In Season Market and Nursery

A new nursery opened in September in the former Alpine Nursery location. *In Season* offers plants and locally grown organic produce. Some of the produce is so "local," that it comes from a plot directly behind the distinctive tank house tower for which the property is known.



Horticulture expert turned garden coach Julie Morehouse and journalist turned farmer Eric Firpo teamed up to open *In Season*, where customers connect with nature through food, plants, and handcrafted-goods. Some produce comes from Firpo's old Boggs Tract stomping grounds, while some will come from the Black Urban Farmers Association plot near French Camp, among other sources.



Next to the nursery is home to a gift shop where patrons can purchase gardening supplies and local artwork. In the future, a small café/deli will open on-site. *In Season* is located at 215 E. Alpine Avenue and is open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, or you can call them at (209) 949-2499.

Panera Bread Opens Second Restaurant

Panera Bread has opened its second location in Stockton this fall. The bakery-cafe was built from the ground up in the former Bank of the West location at 4932 Pacific Avenue, in front of the Weberstown Mall and hired over 30 employees.



Founded over thirty years ago, Panera Bread is now located in 46 states and Ontario, Canada. The menu consists of baked goods, sandwiches, and salads. Panera believes, "Food should taste good. It should feel good. It should do good things for you and the world around you."

Panera Bread gives back to local communities by packaging their unsold bread and baked goods to donate to local hunger relief and charitable organizations. The bakery-cafe also offers patrons free Wi-fi. So the next time you are craving some amazing bread, salad or soup, stop by or drive-thru Panera Bread's newest location in Stockton at 4932 Pacific Avenue, you won't regret it. Visit the restaurant's website for more information on [Panera Bread](#).

Chick-fil-A Opens First Restaurant in Stockton

Stockton's first Chick-fil-A restaurant opened in October at 2628 West March Lane, which was previously home to Marie Calendars. The replacement of Marie Calendars by Chick-fil-A is just one more signal that San Joaquin County has a growing restaurant industry, which based on employment gains, is among the strongest sectors of the region's economy. Chick-fil-A in Stockton is currently proving that fact by employing more than 82 employees, 25 of which are full-time positions.



Chick-fil-A restaurant is a privately held Atlanta-based company and operates more than 1,900 franchise restaurants in 42 states. Chick-fil-A's owners embrace family values; therefore, all of its restaurants are closed on Sundays so employees can set aside a day of rest and family time, which are more important than business.

Chick-fil-A's menu features deep-fried and grilled chicken sandwiches, fried chicken strips, salads, and wraps. Nearly everything on the Chick-fil-A menu is made from scratch daily. Salads prepared with fresh vegetables and fruits are hand-chopped throughout the day. The lemonade is fresh-squeezed and made from three simple ingredients, lemon, sugar, and water.

The restaurant features a double drive-thru which will expedite your ordering process. Pop in today to try Stockton's newest restaurant and enjoy your next freshly cooked chicken meal with your family. Visit the website for menu items and more at [Chick-fil-A](#).



BUSINESS RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT

City of Stockton Micro Loan Program

The City of Stockton offers business loans of up to \$30,000 through its Small Business Micro Loan Program for existing and start-up businesses located within the Stockton city limits. Favorable interest rates begin at the current prime rate, plus 2%, with a maximum loan term of 5 years. Funds may be used for operating capital (including permit and license fees), furniture, fixtures, equipment, inventory, and minor rehabilitation. Benefits of the program include:



- Flexible terms and conditions
- Tailored to specific needs of the borrower
- Amortization structured to match the purpose of the loan
- No pre-payment penalties
- Business consulting provided at no cost to the borrower

A \$50 application fee applies and businesses receiving a loan must create or retain at least one full-time equivalent job. To apply for a loan, please [click here](#) for the brochure and initial application/credit check form. For more information on this program and other programs offered, please call the Economic Development Department at 209-937-8539 or [click here](#) to visit the website.

The Small Business Micro Loan Program is funded with federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) dollars.



City of Stockton CRIME PREVENTION CORNER

Holiday Shopping Reminder

With the holidays quickly approaching the Stockton Police Department would like to provide citizens with a few holiday safety reminders. Shop wisely!



- Before leaving home or the office, lock large valuables such as your briefcase, gym bag or luggage in the trunk. Retain shopping items to your trunk when parked in a retail lot may unwittingly advertise what's inside to nearby criminals.
- When you park at a night, look for highly illuminated areas within close proximity of a lot of people.
- No matter where you park, always survey the inside of your vehicle for anything of value and remove it.
- Do not wear excess jewelry.
- Reduce wallet and purse contents down to only what you need.
- Never carry your Social Security Card in your wallet or purse. Keep it secured in a safe place at home.
- Keep your wallet in your front pants pocket.
- In heavily populated areas, be aware of any crowding or jostling, even if it appears innocent. This is often a ploy by pickpockets to distract you.
- Avoid taking packages out to lock them in your trunk, if you plan to return to the stores to do more shopping. This may provoke an auto burglary and you will return to an empty trunk.

If you think you are being followed out of a store, do not continue to your car. Return to the safety of the occupied shopping area or office building and contact the authorities. Happy Holidays!

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