



# CITY OF BALDWIN PARK

## Press Release

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## Baldwin Park Mourns Fallen Officer and Civilian Lost in May 31 Violence

**BALDWIN PARK, CA** — The City of Baldwin Park is devastated to report the tragic loss of one of our police officers, who was murdered in the line of duty while responding to a public call for help. A second officer was also injured in the attack and has been released from the hospital after receiving treatment. A third victim of the suspect was discovered deceased in the front yard of the address where the suspect was located. We ask the public to join us in keeping both officers and the deceased resident and their families in their thoughts during this incredibly difficult time.

“When danger erupted last night and the call went out for help, it was our Baldwin Park Police Officers who responded without hesitation, reflecting the best of bravery and conviction to serve. On behalf of our council and city hall staff, I offer our sincerest condolences to the victims, our Baldwin Park police department community and the families of those affected by this violence,” said Baldwin Park Mayor Alejandra Avila. “Last night was a night of tragedy for our community. Many in our community have been affected by these crimes, and I ask that you embrace your officers and neighbors, support them in their time of need and show one another the best of Baldwin Park.”

The City is not releasing any names or details about the victims at this time.

On May 31 at 7:12 p.m., Baldwin Park Police officers responded to a report of gunfire in a residential neighborhood. Upon arrival, they were fired upon by the suspect, striking both officers. Multiple public safety agencies, including SWAT personnel, responded to the scene. The suspect was also wounded and has been taken into custody. There is no ongoing threat to the community associated with this crime.

Our police department, city staff and community are in mourning. We are devastated by this senseless act of violence against those who serve and protect our community. We ask the public to join us in honoring their sacrifice and to respect the privacy of those affected during this time.

The investigation is being led by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, and updates will continue to be shared as they are available.

## **About the City of Baldwin Park**

Baldwin Park is a nearly seven-square-mile, suburban community of 72,000 residents in the heart of the San Gabriel Valley. As the hub of the San Gabriel Valley, Baldwin Park is known for its ease of access and mobility, young and diverse residents, and vibrant, growing business community. For more information, visit [baldwinpark.com](http://baldwinpark.com) or follow Baldwin Park on Facebook (@BaldwinParkCAGov), Instagram (BaldwinPark\_CAGov), and Twitter (BaldwinParkCA\_).

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