El Cerrito Centeninial



Centennial Events

El Cerrito incorporated as a City on August 23, 1917, after a "spirited" vote by the residents of the un-incorporated

areas of Stege Junction (near San Pablo and Potrero Avenues) and Rust. Two other small communities were also included in the new town: Schmidtville (which was centered around Schmidt Lane) and Schindler (the area near today's Fairmount Ave. and Richmond St.), giving El Cerrito an estimated initial population of 1,400.

In 2017, the City will celebrate its 100th anniversary as a city.

Our rich history has contributed to the City's identity and quality of life, and there is much to be proud of. The City's Centennial Celebration Planning Task Force has been busy planning ways to celebrate EI Cerrito's 100th year anniversary including talks, tours and more!

For more event details and volunteer opportunities, visit the City's Centennial website,