

## **Port of Hueneme**

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#### **RUNNING ON SUNSHINE: SEA SPLASH COLOR DASH 5K RETURNS IN FULL COLOR**

*Community Turns Out for a Vibrant Celebration of Health, Fitness, and Coastal Connection*

**PORT HUENEME, CA – March 21, 2026** – The City of Port Hueneme and the Port of Hueneme successfully hosted their third annual Sea Splash Color Dash 5K this weekend, drawing a vibrant crowd of community members for a day centered on wellness, connection, and coastal fun.



*Runners pass through the color zone at the 2026 Sea Splash Color Dash*

More than 800 participants gathered at Hueneme Beach before setting off along the coastal scenic beachfront course, running, walking, and celebrating as they were doused in colorful powder along the route. The high-energy event brought together families, local organizations, and visitors of all ages.



*Kids depart for the 1k Fun Run*

This year's Sea Splash offered the Kids' 1K, a free Health & Wellness Fair, and a dynamic lineup of vendors, activities, and live entertainment. From fitness resources to family-friendly programming, the event created an inclusive space focused on promoting healthy lifestyles and community well-being.



*Runners approach the Port of Hueneme*

“It’s incredible to see our community come together in such a positive and energetic way,” said Port Hueneme City Manager James Vega. “Events like Sea Splash highlight the importance of prioritizing our physical and mental health while enjoying the natural beauty of our coastline.”



*Port Hueneme Mayor Martha McQueen-Legohn, Port of Hueneme CEO Kristin Decas, and Port Hueneme City Manager James Vega*

“By working together, we are able to deliver meaningful experiences that bring our community together and promote long-term health and vitality.” said Port of Hueneme CEO Kristin Decas.



*Proceeding along the route at the 2026 Sea Splash Color Dash*

The Port of Hueneme, a leading gateway for fresh produce like blueberries and bananas, plays an important role in delivering nourishing food to communities across the country.

That commitment to health and wellness was reflected at Sea Splash, where fresh fruit and wellness resources helped fuel participants and promote active, healthy lifestyles.



*A participant approaches the Kids' 1k finish line*

Participants received commemorative medals and event T-shirts, with awards presented to top finishers across multiple age groups. Following the race, attendees explored interactive booths, community resources, and activities throughout the Health & Wellness Fair, creating a festival-like atmosphere along the waterfront.



*Finishers celebrate the completion of a 5k*

Following last year's turnout of more than 750 participants, this year's event continued its upward trajectory, further establishing Sea Splash as a cornerstone community event for the Port Hueneme area.



A group of runners at the Sea Splash Color Dash

For more information about future events, visit the City of Port Hueneme and the Port of Hueneme websites and follow them on social media.

### ***About the Port of Hueneme***

*The Port of Hueneme is one of the most productive and efficient commercial trade gateways for niche cargo on the West Coast. Five locally elected Port Commissioners govern the Port. The Port consistently ranks among the top ten U.S. Ports for automobiles and fresh produce. Port operations support the community by bringing \$2.8 billion in economic activity and creating 24,997 trade-related jobs. Trade through the Port of Hueneme generates more than \$236 million in direct and related state and local taxes, which fund vital community services. In 2017, the Port of Hueneme became the first Port in California to become Green Marine certified and was voted the Greenest Port in the U.S. at the Green Shipping Summit. [www.Portofh.org](http://www.Portofh.org).*

### ***About the City of Port Hueneme***

*The City of Port Hueneme (pronounced "Why-nee-mee") is a unique community along Ventura County's Gold Coast just south of the City of Oxnard and Channel Islands Harbor.*

*Port Hueneme is unique because of its rich history, culture, and traditions, dating back to the Chumash Indians who made their home here for centuries and because of its long-established, close relationship with the Port, U.S. Navy's Port Hueneme and Point Mugu naval facilities. For more information visit: <https://www.ci.port-hueneme.ca.us/>*