The City of Poway is located in eastern San Diego County and is bordered by the City of Escondido to the north; the unincorporated community of Ramona to the east; and the City of San Diego to the south and west. Poway was established as an incorporated city in 1980.

As of 2014, the City of Poway has an estimated population of 48,979, which is projected to increase to 59,808 in 2050 (SANDAG Regional Growth Forecast, 2010).

The City of Poway is governed by a five-member City Council consisting of a directly-elected Mayor and four Councilmembers elected at-large.

The adopted Sphere of Influence for the City of Poway is larger than the City’s boundary and includes adjacent unincorporated territory located within the Lakeside and Ramona Community Planning Areas of the County of San Diego.

The City of Poway provides fire protection, water, and wastewater services city-wide.

Police service is provided by contract with the San Diego County Sheriffs. Trash hauling and disposal service is provided by contract with EDCO Disposal.

**CITY CHARACTERISTICS**

**Incorporation Date:** December 1, 1980  
**Population:** 48,979 (2014, SANDAG)  
**Land Area:** 39.1 Sq. miles

**Governance:** General Law City; elected at large  
**City Council Meetings:** 1st, 2nd, 3rd Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m.  
**Planning Commission:** 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m.

**Sphere of Influence:** Larger than city  
**Sphere Adopted:** August 5, 1985  
**Sphere Reaffirmed:** March 3, 2008  
**General Plan Adoption Date:** 2000

**Primary Service Providers:** City of Poway (Fire Protection, Water, and Wastewater Services); San Diego County Sheriff (Police); and EDCO Disposal (Trash Hauling and Disposal).

**Contact Information**

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**Planning Department:** 858/668-4600  
**Website:** www.poway.org