

### General Information

- Zip code: 94553
- Population: 38,259
- Median household income: \$93,874
- Housing units: 14,976
- Percentage of Owner-Occupied Housing: 66.3%
- Median Value Owner-Occupied Housing: \$462,300
- Average persons per household: 2.51
- Median Gross Rent: \$1,550

### Largest Employers

- Contra Costa County
- Veterans Admin Medical Center
- Kaiser Permanente
- Shell Oil Refinery
- Martinez Unified School District
- Wal-Mart Store
- Safeway Stores
- Home Depot
- City of Martinez
- Contra Costa Electric
- California Grand Casino

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## Real Estate-Related Policies & Regulations

### For-Sale and Open House Sign Regulations

#### General Real Estate Signage:

- Only one temporary real estate sign not exceeding 12 square feet of sign surface area may be displayed during any period a parcel of real property is for sale, rent or lease;
- The sign may be continued for not more than fifteen (15) days thereafter;
- The sign shall state the name of the seller, telephone and address, and whether for sale, rent of lease (Ord. 822 C.S. § 2 (part), 1975: prior code § 10,201.3 (g).)

#### Residential & Professional Administrative Office Districts:

- One temporary real estate sign, nonilluminated, not exceeding 6 square feet in area.
- If the site has 150 feet or more of street frontage, and two or more acres in area, two such signs shall be permitted.
- For sites having frontage on more than one street, the provisions of this subsection shall apply to each street.

#### Time-of-Sale Requirements: None.

### Potential Disclosure Issues

The potential disclosure issues and resource list below are not intended to be all-inclusive. The Contra Costa County Disclosures and Disclaimers Advisory is available from the Bay East Association of REALTORS®.



**Energy Efficiency Program- Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE):** PACE is a financing option for property owners engaging in energy efficiency, renewable energy, and water conservation upgrades to buildings. PACE financing is attached to the home, repaid through the property tax bill, and transferred to subsequent owners until paid off. Martinez participates in the CaliforniaFIRST Program, HERO Residential, and HERO Commercial for residential and/or commercial properties. Details are available at [www.heroprogram.com](http://www.heroprogram.com); <http://cscda.org/Open-PACE>; <http://www.pacenation.us/resources/all-programs/>; [www.californiafirst.org](http://www.californiafirst.org)

**Taxes, Bonds and Assessment Districts**

**Real Estate Transfer Tax:** Total: \$1.10/per \$1,000 property value (comprised of City Rate: \$0.55/per \$1,000 property value plus County Rate: \$0.55/per \$1,000 property value).

**Mello Roos Tax: Mello Roos Tax:** The City of Martinez assesses a Mello-Roos parcel tax on homes located in the Mt. Diablo School District. Homeowners age 65 or older may apply for an exemption by contacting (925) 682-8000, ext. 4004. For property-specific information, contact Contra Costa County Treasurer’s Office at (925) 957-5280; or search online: [ContraCostaCountyTaxRecords](http://ContraCostaCountyTaxRecords)

**Rent Control, Review and Landlord Responsibilities**

**Rent Control:** The City of Martinez does not have a rent control policy.

**Smoking Ordinance:** Landlords must notify all tenants and prospective tenants of the City of Martinez secondhand smoke restrictions for multi-family residences, such as apartment buildings or condominiums with 4 or more units. For detailed information, visit: [LandlordTenantResources](http://LandlordTenantResources)

**Special Study or Planning Zones**

None.

**Additional Information:**

**Dog & Cat Licenses:** All dogs and cats shall be licensed in accordance with the Contra Costa County regulations, found here: [ContraCostaPetLicensing](http://ContraCostaPetLicensing).

<u>Type/Term</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>2 Year</u>	<u>3 Year</u>
Unsterilized	\$40.00	\$74.00	\$110.00
Sterilized	\$20.00	\$37.00	\$55.00

Senior Citizens (65+): Pet license discount eligible; License replacement fee: \$7



## City of Martinez Resources

<b>Building Inspections</b>		925-372-3528
<b>Business License</b>		925-372-3568
<b>Cable and/or Phone</b>	AT&T	800-310-2355
<b>Cable and/or Phone</b>	Comcast	800-945-2288
<b>Community Preservations</b>	Code Enforcement	925-372-3532
<b>Electricity</b>	PG&E	800-743-5000
<b>Finance Department</b>		925-372-3577
<b>Fire Department</b>	Contra Costa County Fire Protection	925-941-3300
<b>Garbage</b>	Allied Waste	925-685-4711
<b>Gas</b>	PG&E	800-743-5000
<b>Housing Department</b>	Planning Department	925-372-3534
<b>Permit Department</b>	Building Official	925-372-3550
<b>Planning/Zoning Dept</b>		925-372-3515
<b>Police Dept</b>		925-372-3440
<b>Public Works</b>		925-372-3580
<b>Recycling</b>	Solid Waste and Recycling	925-372-3531
<b>Rent Stabilization</b>	Contra Costa Housing Authority	925-957-8035
<b>Water</b>	City Of Martinez	925-372-3575

## Online Resources

- City Website: [City of Martinez](#)
- Martinez Chamber of Commerce: <http://www.martinezchamber.com/>
- Martinez Unified School District: (925) 335-5800 or <http://www.martinezusd.net/>
- Mount Diablo Unified School District: (925) 682-8000 or <http://www.mdusd.org/>
- Contra Costa County Housing Authority: <http://www.contracostahousing.org/>
- U.S. Census Bureau: [MartinezQuickLinks](#)

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