

History of California



From World War 2 to the
Present

Events of the 1950s

- Disneyland Opened in 1955!
- First “Smog Alert” in CA history (Los Angeles, of course 😊)
- Dodgers move to CA

1960s

- The Free Speech movement at UC Berkley
- Watt Riots – 1965
- Black Panther party founded
- Sirhan Sirhan, a former CACC Cadet, assassinates Robert F. Kennedy

1970s

- BART begins service
- Sylmar Earthquake
- Lakers win an NBA Championship
- Oakland wins the World Series
- Tom Bradley first African American Mayor of a large US City – LA
- Proposition 13 Passes
- CACC begins in LAUSD
- Jonestown Massacre

1980s

- Summer Olympics in 1984
- Junipero Serra named “venerable” by the Vatican
- Another major earthquake in the San Francisco bay area (Loma Prieta)
- Congress passes legislation to allow for payments to Japanese Americans interred during the war

1990s

- Rodney King beating in Los Angeles; riots ensue
- 1994 – Northridge Earthquake – 57 people die
- Affirmative Action policies changed in University of California admissions
- Indian casinos protected by public vote
- Proposition 187

2000s

- Governor Schwarzenegger elected after Governor Gray Davis was recalled
- 2002-2005 – COL Richard Schneider serves as CACC Executive Officer
- 2005-present – COL Larry VanZant serves as CACC Executive Officer
- In 2011, the California Cadet Corps will celebrate its 100th Anniversary