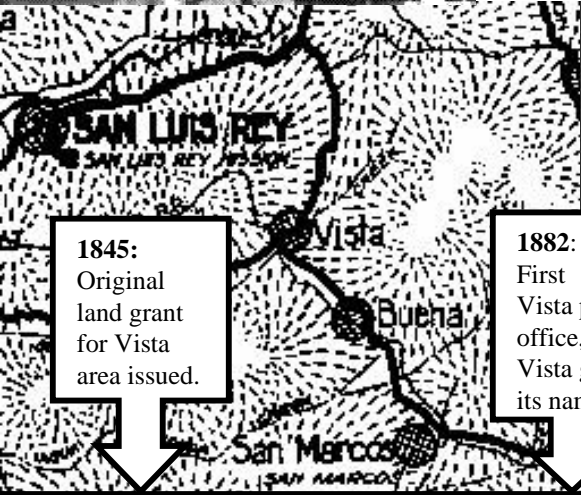


# Vista Timeline



**1845:**  
Original land grant for Vista area issued.

**1882:**  
First Vista post office, Vista gets its name.

**1926:** Vista Irrigation District acquires Lake Henshaw, a reliable water source.

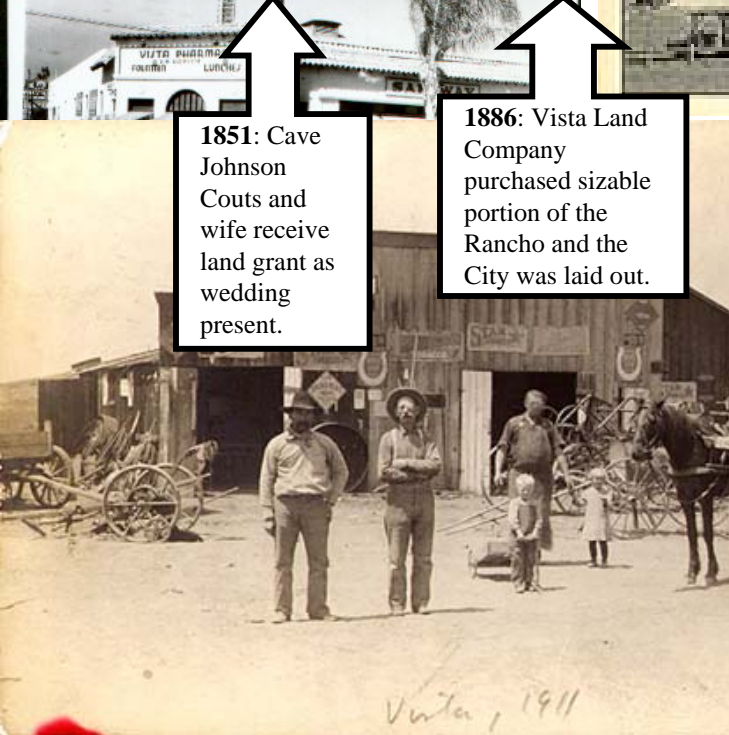
**1963:** Vista incorporated as General Law City with Council/Manager form of government.

**1979:** Shadowridge Housing Development started.

**1989:** City acquired the Rancho Buena Vista Adobe for the citizens of Vista.

**2005:** Vista named one of the "50 Fabulous Places to Raise Your Family".

1830      1850      1870      1890      1910      1930      1950      1970      1990      2010



**1851:** Cave Johnson Coutts and wife receive land grant as wedding present.

**1886:** Vista Land Company purchased sizable portion of the Rancho and the City was laid out.

**1910:** Population of Vista reaches 1,000.

**1930s:** Growth in Vista booms, population reaches 10,000.

**1948:** Vista named "Avocado Capital of the World."

**1971:** On Sept 24, David Brinkley, anchor for NBC news, did a story designating Vista one of the 30 best places to live in the country.

**1984:** City of Vista assumes operation of the Moonlight Amphitheatre.

**1994:** City of Vista opens the Wave Waterpark.

**2003:** Vista Village, the revitalization of the downtown area with shops and restaurants, opens.

