

# City Administrator's Weekly Briefing

From: *Damien R. Arrula*

February 28, 2019



“Rich Heritage, Bright Future”

## Community Conversation - Addressing Homelessness in Placentia

In order to maintain quality of life in our City, while addressing federal mandates and demonstrating compassion for the homeless community, the City of Placentia is taking a proactive approach towards addressing homelessness. To this end, a proposed Navigation Center is being considered within the City.

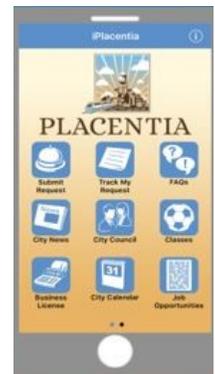
A Navigation Center will empower our local law enforcement to have the tools necessary to prevent camping on public locations such as parks and sidewalks throughout our City. The proposed Navigation Center will also serve as a location that provides the supportive resources necessary to successfully transition homeless persons into permanent housing. The proposed site under consideration is located at 527 Fee Ana Street, which is located in an industrial portion of the City.



The City of Placentia appreciates the community’s participation and valuable feedback at the community meetings held on February 20<sup>th</sup> and February 27<sup>th</sup>. To view the presentations from the meetings and other information on addressing homelessness in the City, please visit [www.placentia.org/homelessness](http://www.placentia.org/homelessness) or call (714) 993-8264.

## Download City’s Mobile App “iPlacentia”

The City’s mobile app, iPlacentia, empowers citizens to easily report non-emergency issues located within City limits. In a matter of minutes, the app allows users to submit a description, picture and location of a neighborhood issue, such as a streetlight outage or pothole, directly to the respective department for review. The requester will be notified when the issue has been received and resolved. Additional features include city news and events, registration for recreational classes and activities, renewing business licenses, contacting City Council or Staff, and more! The free mobile app is available for download on all iPhone and Android devices. Simply search “iPlacentia” in the [App Store](#) and [GooglePlay](#). For additional information, please call (714) 993-8171.



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### Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 03/02/19 Open Space & Urban Greening Meeting
- 03/05/19 City Council Meeting
- 03/11/19 Recreation and Parks Commission Meeting
- 03/12/19 Cultural Arts Commission Meeting
- 03/12/19 Planning Commission Meeting
- 03/13/19 Heritage Festival Committee Meeting
- 03/18/19 Traffic Safety Commission Meeting

For additional information or

questions about this

**Weekly Briefing please email:**  
[administration@placentia.org](mailto:administration@placentia.org)



## COMMUNITY SERVICES

### Mayor Rhonda Shader Visits Gomez Community Center

On Friday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, Mayor Rhonda Shader visited the Gomez Community Center located at Parque De Los Niños to speak with parents, participate in the programming and listen to community suggestions. She enjoyed playing board games while discussing participant's favorite parts of the Positive Activities and Recreation for Kids ([P.A.R.K.](#)) Program. Mayor Shader passed out her "Do the Right Thing" bracelets to encourage continued participation in City programming. Mayor Shader enjoyed her time spent with the P.A.R.K.'s participants and the opportunity to engage in the daily operations at the Gomez Center. The Community Services Department would like to thank Mayor Shader for her visit and looks forward to continued collaboration with Mayor Shader and all Council Members to promote community programs. For more information on the P.A.R.K.'s Program, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.



### Placentia Open Space and Urban Greening Master Plan Community Workshop

The Placentia Open Space and Urban Greening Master Plan (POSUG) is a planning effort that aims to connect parks and open spaces throughout the City. The POSUG needs your feedback to make walking and biking to parks more enjoyable, determine how to improve existing park facilities, and increase the number of trees. Please join us at the Placentia Champions Sports Complex in the Aguirre Building (505 Jefferson Street, Placentia, 92870) on March 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and share your feedback. This workshop will be the final opportunity to provide comments on the Open Space and Urban Greening Master Plan efforts. The City of Placentia will provide children's activities and supervision during the workshop. Light snacks and refreshments will also be available. For more information, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.



### Placentia Pony Opening Day Success

Placentia Pony Baseball held their opening day on February 23<sup>rd</sup> at Champions Sports Complex. The festivities included food, a parade of teams, and was topped off by a special game played by Pony's Champions division. The Champions division is a team for youth with special needs who are mentored on the field by older players. At the festivities, Pony's outgoing Vice President Joe Rossetti was presented with a certificate by Placentia's Mayor Rhonda Shader, for his eight years of service to the community. The Pony Board also presented a banner to their outgoing President Tim Wetzel, thanking him for his leadership. The City of Placentia is proud of Pony Baseball and what they bring to the community. For more information about Placentia Pony Baseball please visit [www.placentiapony.com](http://www.placentiapony.com).





## DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

### Grading and Construction Underway for the Placentia Veterans Village

The City of Placentia, in partnership with the County of Orange, Mercy Housing California, and New Directions for Veterans, has made excellent progress on the beginning stages of construction for the Placentia Veterans Village. Since celebrating the groundbreaking on November 1, 2018, the City of Placentia has worked closely with its partners to quickly process permits to begin construction.

In December 2018, Building and Grading were issued, and demolition and grading is currently underway. The City looks forward to the next steps of construction, beginning the build of the building, in the next few months. Updates on construction phases will be posted throughout the construction.



The development is located on a newly constructed street (Veterans Way) near the intersection of Orangethorpe Avenue and Lakeview Avenue. This previously vacant property was frequently used for illegal dumping and will now be used as permanent supportive housing for Veterans. The address of this new development will be 1945 E. Veterans Way.



The Placentia Veterans Village will include 50 furnished apartment homes, 49 for veterans and one used as an on-site management unit. Amenities include a landscaped courtyard area, community garden, recreation room, and resident services offices. The state-of-the-art development will be LEED Gold certified, utilizing energy efficient design principles, building materials and energy efficient appliances. The

“360-degree” design will be high-quality architecture reminiscent of the “Craftsman” style.

Once constructed, veterans will have access to comprehensive on-site supportive services including case management, physical and mental health services, employment services, life skills training, and counseling. The Placentia Veterans Village is a testament to the City and City Council’s commitment to ending homelessness and providing support to our nation’s veterans.

For additional information on this unique partnership, please visit [www.placentia.org/veteransvillage](http://www.placentia.org/veteransvillage) or call the City of Placentia at (714) 993-8264.



## DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

### Old Town Façade Improvement Program

On December 5, 2017, the City Council approved the Old Town Façade Improvement Program (Program). The Program provides financial assistance in the form of a grant to commercial property and/or business owners to make facade improvements to the exterior of their commercial buildings located within Old Town Placentia District. The program is designed to enhance economic opportunities in Old Town Placentia, and to encourage additional investment in the City's historic area. The goal is to create a pedestrian-friendly, aesthetically pleasing environment for residents, visitors and tourists, and generate substantial economic benefits for merchants and property owners as a result of increased investment in this area.



The project at 116 W. Santa Fe Avenue is currently underway. Created and painted by [Tracey Moloney](#), the project consists of a mural depicting Old Town Placentia and key City landmarks. The project also includes new gooseneck lighting and synthetic ivy across the base of the wall facing Bradford Avenue. To date, the installation of the synthetic ivy and new gooseneck lighting have been completed. The mural continues to make great progress, as seen above. This week, the second round of colors was added with special attention paid to the orange groves. The City will continue providing updates on this project.

Funding for the Program is derived from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) that is administered by the County of Orange. The funding allocation for this program is based on annual allocations provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

For more information on the Program, please visit [www.placentia.org/façade](http://www.placentia.org/façade).

## PUBLIC WORKS

### Compost Giveaway on March 30<sup>th</sup>

The City of Placentia and Republic Services will hold its annual Free Compost Giveaway for residents of Placentia at Tri-City Park on Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. (or until the compost runs out). This event provides an opportunity to give back and thank residents for their participation in the City's green waste recycling program. Residents must bring in their own containers (no bags please) to receive the loose compost. There is a limit of 60 gallons per household, while supplies last.



Compost creates healthier soil by adding organic matter and improving soil structure. Healthy soil uses water more efficiently, allowing available water to flow toward your plants' roots, storing water in the soil longer, and reducing runoff and erosion. To receive free compost, residents must provide proof of residency (California driver's license or utility bill). For more information, please contact Republic Services at (714) 238-2444 or the City of Placentia at (714) 993-8189.



## POLICE DEPARTMENT

**Save the Date: Placentia Neighborhood Watch Meeting - March 14<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.**

Join the Placentia Police Department Crime Prevention Desk and Neighborhood Watch for an all Neighborhood Watch Meeting on Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Placentia Council Chambers. The presentation will include information on personal and residential safety, identity theft and frauds/scams. Attendees will also receive information on setting up a Neighborhood Watch Program in your area.



If you would like to discuss other topics, please email or call Katie Holtsclaw at (714) 993-8225 or [kholtsclaw@placentia.org](mailto:kholtsclaw@placentia.org). Special thank you to Porky's Pizza for providing pizza for this event.

**Save the Date: Coffee with a Cop - March 14<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.**

Meet and greet with your Placentia Police Department at next month's Coffee With a Cop.

A photograph of a police officer in a dark uniform and sunglasses on his head, holding a coffee cup and talking to a man in a light-colored shirt and a dark hat. They are in a well-lit room with large windows in the background.

**Sip on a free 12oz coffee and get to know your Community's Police**

Avalon Bagels to Burgers - 174 Yorba Linda Blvd  
Thursday, March 14th 7:30 - 9:30am

**POLICE**  **COMMUNITY** **PLACENTIA**  
POLICE DEPARTMENT

A shield-shaped logo with the text "Coffee WITH A COP" and a coffee cup icon at the bottom.



**PATROL**



**BULLETIN**

# Placentia Police Department

DARIN LENYI, CHIEF OF POLICE

401 E CHAPMAN AVE, PLACENTIA, CA 92870

## Vehicle-Residential Burglary Suspect Attempt to Identify/Locate



### DETAILS:

On Tuesday, February 5, 2019, between approximately 1900-1930 hours, in the area of Livingston Ave and Kingston Rd in the City of Placentia, the above pictured suspect is believed to have been involved in several attempted and/or successful vehicle and/or residential burglaries. It appears the suspect went from house to house searching vehicles parked in driveways. In one incident, the victim reported that someone attempted to open the locked front door to her residence. The suspect then made entry into her garage through an unlocked exterior service door, then entered her unlocked vehicle parked in her garage. No suspect vehicle has been seen. Based on the known incident locations, it is possible that the suspect is walking through the neighborhood(s) in the area.

### Suspect description:

Male, White, approximately 18-20 years old, wearing a blue hooded sweatshirt with the word "TRITONS" in yellow writing across the front, a dark hat with a red brim, blue floral shorts with pink flowers, and brown shoes with white soles. He appears to have tattoos on his lower legs. The tattoos appear to wrap around his lower left leg and he has a tattoo on his right calf.

If you have any similar incidents, or information that might assist in identifying the suspect pictured above, please contact Detective B. Wagoner of the Placentia Police Department at (714) 993-8270, or [bwagoner@placentia.org](mailto:bwagoner@placentia.org), reference DRs #19-00555, 19-00556, 19-00557, and 19-00558.



# PATROL



# BULLETIN

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### Vehicle Burglary Suspect – Attempt to Identify/Locate



#### DETAILS:

On Saturday, January 26, at approximately 0426 hours, on the 1700 block of St James Place in the City of Placentia, the above pictured suspect was seen on the reporting party's security camera attempting to open the locked driver's door on his daughter's vehicle. The suspect was then seen riding his bike next door to the reporting party's neighbor's vehicle where he was able to make entry into the vehicle through the unlocked front passenger door. That vehicle was ransacked, but it is unknown if there was any loss. The suspect then went to the next house, looked into the driver's side of the vehicle using a flashlight, attempted to open the locked driver's door, then rode off on his bicycle (pictured above).

If you have any similar incidents, or information that might assist in identifying the suspect pictured above, please contact Detective B. Wagoner of the Placentia Police Department at (714) 993-8270, or [bwagoner@placentia.org](mailto:bwagoner@placentia.org), reference CAD #1901260019.

#### EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

Photography Contest

Placentia Library District Weekly Summary

Free Physical Activity Coaching



City of Placentia

# Photography Contest



Sponsored by the Cultural Arts Commission

**FREE  
ENTRY!**



**\$500  
in CASH PRIZES  
TO BE AWARDED!**

## CONTEST RULES, GUIDELINES, JUDGING AND AWARDS INFORMATION

All entries must be taken within Placentia City Limits. Any format of camera is acceptable. Photos must not exceed 8"x10" in size. Entries are limited to four (4) per person. Master Division participants (professional or experienced photographers) may not enter in the amateur division. Entries are open to residents and non-residents of Placentia. Ribbons will be awarded to 1st Place selections in the Amateur division (2) and Master's Division (1). The judging panel will be the members of the Cultural Arts Commission. All winners will be recognized at a City Council meeting. A cash prize of \$250 will be awarded to the Mayor's Choice and Placentia's Choice winners.

Submissions may be emailed to [communityservices@placentia.org](mailto:communityservices@placentia.org) with "Photo Contest 2019" as the subject.

Please submit all entry forms and photos together. Submissions may also be hand-delivered or mailed to City of Placentia Community Services at 401 E. Chapman Ave. Placentia, CA 92870.

If you have any further questions please contact Community Services at (714) 993-8232

**\*\*\*All submissions must be received by April 26, 2019 \*\*\***

NAME (PLEASE PRINT): \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS/CITY/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

DIVISION (CHECK ONE (1) BOX) :     Masters                       Adult Amateur (18+)                       Youth Amateur (17 & under)

Categories (CHECK ONE (1) BOX)

- People     Nature     Programs/Events     Architecture     Public Servants
- Actions Shots     Alternative (photos altered/edited for artistic purposes)

TITLE AND LOCATION OF YOUR PHOTO: \_\_\_\_\_

*In consideration of your accepting this registration, I/We hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Placentia and any of it's officers, agents, or employees from any liability claim or action for damages resulting from or in any way arising out of the participation in this program by the person(s) registered. Additionally, the above registered participants give permission to the City of Placentia to be photographed and to use such photographs in the promotion of City sponsored activities.*

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

*This program is not affiliated with the school or Placentia Yorba Linda Unified School District.*

*The school or school district does not endorse or sponsor this activity.*



# PLACENTIA LIBRARY DISTRICT

## WEEKLY SUMMARY – March 1-7, 2019

### ADULT & LITERACY SERVICES



#### **CONVERSATION CLUB**

Friday, March 1

9:30 – 11:00 a.m.

*Placentia Library Local History Room*

Conversation Club is a great opportunity to chat with other English language learners in a relaxed and comfortable environment. No registration is required.

#### **CITIZENSHIP 101: NATURALIZATION INFORMATION SESSION**

Saturday, March 2, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.: Presentation in English

Saturday, March 9, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.: Presentation in Spanish

*Placentia Presbyterian Church Trinity Center*

*849 N. Bradford Ave., Placentia*

For legal permanent residents who are interested in the naturalization application. A step-by-step description of the naturalization process will be discussed along with a question & answer session. Free naturalization test preparation materials will be available! No registration required.

#### **CIUDADANÍA PARA PRINCIPIANTES: SESIONES DE CIUDADANÍA**

Sábado, Marzo 2, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.: Presentación en Español

Sábado, Marzo 9, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.: Presentación en Inglés *Placentia Presbyterian Church Trinity Center*

*849 N. Bradford Ave., Placentia*

Para residentes permanentes interesados en aplicar para la ciudadanía. El proceso de naturalización será descrito paso a paso, e incluirá una sesión para responder cualquier pregunta. Materiales para la preparación de la prueba de naturalización se harán disponible gratis. No se requiere registración.

### TEEN SERVICES

#### **TEEN SERVICES UPDATE**

Beginning March 2019, all Placentia Library District teen programs and events will return to the main library located at 411 E. Chapman Ave., Placentia. As we anxiously await the newly created teen space to open early Fall, we invite all teens to come and use our current space and take advantage of new programs, events, reading materials, or electronic resources. All our items for check out, programs and services continue to be FREE!



#### **PTAC – PLACENTIA TEEN ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Next meetings: March 7 and 21, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

*Placentia Library District*

Placentia Teen Advisory Council is open to all high school students interested in gaining community service experience, volunteer hours, and leadership skills, through planning and supporting library events. All applicants must pass an interview. Space is limited. A 6-month commitment is a must. Contact the library for details.



Help out at library events with PTAC!

## CHILDREN'S SERVICES

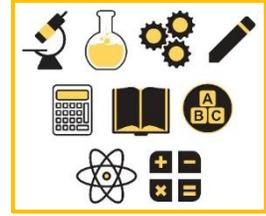
\*Designates programs are outdoor programs and will not be held in the event of inclement weather including rain and/or extreme temperatures.

### HOMWORK CLUB\*

Monday – Thursdays, 3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

*Civic Center Plaza*

Having troubles with homework? We're here to help! Students in Kindergarten-12th grade are invited to join us at Homework Club each week for homework help! New attendees must submit a parent/guardian consent form before attending.



### PUPPETS ON THE PATIO\*

Next meeting: Saturday, March 9, 10:00 – 10:45 a.m.

*Civic Center Plaza*

Join us for sunshine and stories on Saturday mornings! All ages are invited!



### SUNSHINE BABY STORYTIME\*

Thursday, March 7,

9:30 – 10:00 a.m. or 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

*Civic Center Plaza*

Get ready to clap and sing along, as we lead you and your baby through a sweet time of engaging songs, delightful stories and bouncing baby rhymes. Class is open to all caregivers and their babies ages 0-2 years.

## DID YOU KNOW?

### EASTER EGGCITEMENT IS COMING SOON!

**Saturday, April 13**

**10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

*Kraemer Park, 201 N. Bradford Ave.*

Hop on over to Kraemer Park and join us for our annual Easter Eggcitement! Enjoy an Easter egg hunt (children ages 12 and under), storytime, crafts, games, pictures with the Easter Bunny, and much more!



### SAVE THE DATE: SUMMER READING CELEBRATION!

Saturday, June 22, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

*Civic Center Plaza*

Join us as we celebrate the beginning of summer and the start of our Summer Reading Program at our Summer Reading Celebration! Our celebration features free entertainment, pony and train rides, food and much more! Register for the Summer Reading Program and qualify to win a \$50 Amazon gift card just for signing up on this special day! To register visit the library by 4:00 p.m. to qualify for the Amazon gift card drawing.





**Kin-ACT**  
**Kinesiology Students Activity**  
**Coaching Today**

# FREE Physical Activity Coaching

Get help from Kinesiology students from CSUF to set goals, create a plan, introduce you to the exercise equipment at your local park and help you adopt a physically active lifestyle.

Find us dressed in orange at the exercise equipment at your local park.

More information at: <http://hhd.fullerton.edu/knes/ResearchLabs/atepl/schedules.htm>

Follow us on Instagram @kin\_act or on Facebook  
 Or contact Dr. Wilson at 657-278-8329 to learn more

**February 2 – May 10, 2019**

<b>Santa Fe Park</b> (550 W. Santa Fe Ave)	<b>Every other Monday</b> Feb 11 & 25; March 11 & 25; April 8 & 22; May 6	<b>8:00-10:0am</b>
<b>McFadden Park</b> (900 S. Melrose)	<b>Every other Thursday</b> Feb 7 & 21; March 7 & 21; April 4 & 18; May 2	<b>8:00-10:00 am</b>
<b>Kramer Park</b> (201 N. Bradford Ave.)	<b>Every Friday</b>	<b>7:00-9:00am</b>



Move More, Eat Healthy



*This program is supported by a service-learning grant from the Center for Internships & Community Engagement Student Success Initiative.*