

City Administrator's

# Weekly Briefing

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"Rich Heritage, Bright Future"

## Certain Employees at some Essential Businesses Must Wear Face Coverings Effective Friday, April 24

The Orange County Board of Supervisors approved a directive that certain employees at some essential businesses must wear face coverings effective on Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>. All employees of any grocery store, pharmacy/drug store, convenience store, gas station, restaurant, food preparation establishment, or retail store in Orange County who may have contact with the public must wear a cloth face covering while at work.

Employees must comply with this regulation for the health and safety of all in the community as it is enforceable by law enforcement per [Government Code section 8665](#).

Though the regulation issued by the Orange County Board of Supervisors does not apply to customers, County Health Officer Dr. Nichole Quick continues to strongly encourage residents to wear face coverings while engaged in essential activities outside the home.

For additional information regarding this directive, please visit the Orange County website at <https://occovid19.ochealthinfo.com/article/oc-health-officers-orders-recommendations>

### COVID-19 Update

The City of Placentia is actively monitoring the situation involving the infectious disease outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). We are working closely with the federal, state and county agencies to receive the latest information on the Coronavirus. The City has created a dedicated webpage at [www.placentia.org/coronavirus](http://www.placentia.org/coronavirus) to provide the community with the most recent information about the coronavirus pandemic. We urge our community to practice social distancing and please wash your hands regularly.



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### Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 05/05/20 City Council Meeting
- 05/12/20 Parks Arts and Recreation Commission (PARC) Meeting
- 05/12/20 Planning Commission Meeting
- 05/13/20 Heritage Committee Meeting
- 5/18/20 Streetscape & Transportation Advisory Commission

\*Meetings are subject to cancellation\*

For additional information or

questions about this Weekly Briefing please email:

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## A Video Message from Mayor Ward Smith

Please visit the following link to view a video message from Mayor Ward Smith to the Placentia community on the coronavirus.

[Mayor's Video Message](#)

## COVID-19 Business Resource Webpage

As the situation with coronavirus (COVID-19) evolves, the City of Placentia stands ready to help local businesses navigate the significant challenges you may be facing in this time of great uncertainty. During these difficult times, the City of Placentia remains committed to providing helpful resources and information to assist our business community.

The City has created a dedicated webpage for businesses to receive resources to various federal, state and county websites on available funding for businesses impacted by coronavirus, employer assistance, workplace safety and more. Our City team is working on continually updating this page as resources/information becomes available.

[www.placentia.org/businessresources](http://www.placentia.org/businessresources)

In addition, the City has launched a Support Local Placentia Businesses campaign. The City encourages our community to support local businesses and restaurants and has created an interactive map of local businesses that remain open and restaurants that are offering one or more of the following: Grub Hub, Door Dash, Postmates, Uber Eats, store delivery, to-go orders, curbside pick-up, and/or drive-thru service. Below is a link to the interactive map. This interactive map will be updated regularly.

[www.placentia.org/stillopen](http://www.placentia.org/stillopen)

## Plasma Donations Needed

Torrance Fire Engineer Rickey Cradle is in need of a plasma donation to help him fight COVID-19. He needs plasma donated from a fully recovered COVID patient so that the antibodies can boost his ability to fight back.

To qualify as a plasma donor, you must:

- 1) Have had COVID as confirmed by a positive test
- 2) Already be recovered and have one of the following:
  - a.) Your symptoms resolved at least 28 days prior to donation; OR
  - b.) Your symptoms resolved 14 days prior to donation and a repeat COVID test is negative.
- 3) Be one of the following:
  - a.) Male donor
  - b.) Female donor who has never been pregnant
  - c.) Female donor who has been tested since their most recent pregnancy and had results interpreted as negative for HLA antibodies.

If you or someone you know fits this criteria, please contact Dr. Marc Cohen at [emsdoc911@hotmail.com](mailto:emsdoc911@hotmail.com).



## Orange County COVID-19 Testing Network

The OC Health Care Agency (HCA) is pleased to announce the launch of the OC COVID-19 Testing Network, which offers COVID-19 testing starting Tuesday, April 21, 2020 to Orange County residents who meet the criteria detailed below.

The Network coordinates and expands testing across Orange County to create a safety net for any community member who is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms but is unable to receive testing through a health care provider.

The test identifies if someone is currently infected from a sample taken with a swab. It is not a blood test, nor does it test for antibodies. Residents with symptoms of COVID-19, which generally include fever, cough, and shortness of breath, should first contact their medical provider to get guidance on testing and care.

Individuals who are unable to be tested by their provider may schedule an appointment at any Network Test site to receive a medical screening and test. Initial locations include the following:

AltaMed Medical Group, Anaheim

AltaMed Medical Group, Santa Ana/Bristol

Nhan Hoa Comprehensive Health Care Clinic, Garden Grove

UCI Health, multiple locations

A continually-updated list of test sites, with information on scheduling and the appointment process, can be found at <https://occovid19.ochealthinfo.com/covid-19-testing-and-screening> or by calling the County's Health Referral Line at [1 \(800\) 564-8448](tel:18005648448).

## Orange County District Attorney's Office Honors National Crime Victims' Rights Week

The Orange County District Attorney's Office is honoring brave crime victims this week as part of National Crime Victims' Rights Week.

Every April prosecutors, law enforcement officers and victim advocates come together to pay tribute to crime victims and their loved ones and hear survivors tell their stories of how they are moving forward and reshaping their lives.

While the Coronavirus pandemic forced the cancellation of our annual Victims' Rights March and Rally, we will never stop fighting for the courageous victims and the loved ones who support them.

This year's theme is "*Seek Justice. Ensure Victims' Rights. Inspire Hope.*"

"The voice of victims will never be silenced," said Orange County District Attorney Todd Spitzer. "The current situation has forced temporary court closures and challenged the criminal justice system in a way we have never before experienced. Despite these uncharted waters, the Orange County District Attorney's Office remains resolute in its commitment to fighting for victims in and out of the courtroom. The strength of crime victims inspires hope in us all."

To honor crime victims and ensure their voices continue to be heard, the Orange County District Attorney's Office produced a [video compilation](#) of past Victims' Rights Marches and the victims speaking out for their rights.

Please honor crime victims everywhere by watching – and sharing – [this important tribute](#) to these courageous individuals.



## COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

### P.A.R.K.'s Program Update

Due to the recent concerns surrounding COVID-19 (coronavirus) and in line with County, State, and Federal guidelines and recommendations, the City of Placentia has announced the temporary closure of all four P.A.R.K. sites in addition to the Teen Center. During normal hours of operation, meals are served to all youth 18 and under at the Cathy Torrez Learning Center and at the Whitten Community Center. Aware of the continued need for food, the City has continued its partnership with Second Harvest Food Bank. On Wednesdays between 3:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m., the Community Services Department is offering Supplemental Food Boxes to P.A.R.K.'s program participants and families or to any youth 18 and under who are residents of Placentia. If you have any questions regarding the Supplemental Food Boxes, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.

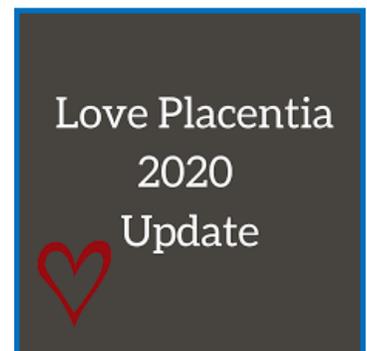


### Love Placentia-POSTPONED

In light of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, Love Placentia, scheduled for April 25<sup>th</sup> has been postponed to Fall 2020.

We encourage you to continue to look for ways to love and care for your neighbors during this time of crisis.

Find out how you can make a difference in your community by visiting [www.LovePlacentia.com](http://www.LovePlacentia.com).



### Neighborhood Services

The Neighborhood Services office will continue to operate during its regular hours of operation. The Neighborhood Services office in Placentia offers emergency food and hygiene to low income families in Placentia. For more information on food programs and emergency assistance, please call (714) 986-2333.

### Keeping Placentia Healthy Takes All of Us!

The City of Placentia is doing its part to prevent the spread of coronavirus by encouraging social distancing. The following park features are closed until further notice: **Playgrounds, fitness equipment, and sports courts.**

Parks are still great places for residents to take walks or play games such as Frisbee or catch. Restrooms and open green spaces remain open. For more information, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.



## Placentia Senior Center

Due to the recent concerns surrounding COVID-19 (coronavirus) and in line with County, State and Federal guidelines and recommendations, the City of Placentia has announced the temporary closure of the Placentia Senior Center. Although the Placentia Senior Center will be temporarily closed, participants of the Senior Center Lunch Program may choose to pick-up a box lunch Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. or new participants living in the City of Placentia may enroll in the Meals on Wheels Program. Additionally, Placentia seniors who do not have transportation to the senior center, may sign up with Senior Center staff to receive home delivered meals. Seniors without internet access are encouraged to call (714) 993-8232 for updates between the hours of 7:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and at (714) 986-2333 on Fridays from 8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Please be advised this program is only intended for senior residents of Placentia age 60 and over.

## Applications Now Available for the City of Placentia Volunteer Program

Teens, 13-16 years of age, are invited to apply for the summer Volunteer Program through the Community Services Department. Participants will have the opportunity to receive on-the-job training, earn volunteer service hours for graduation, and develop friendships. Join the Community Services Department this summer and be a part of the multiple activities and events that will be conducted throughout the City. Applicants must be 13 years of age by June 1<sup>st</sup>. The deadline to apply is Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. Applications are available online at [www.placentia.org/volunteer](http://www.placentia.org/volunteer). For more information on the Volunteer Program, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.

## PUBLIC WORKS

### Shred Day Event-POSTPONED

As we continue to adjust to current events, a decision has been made to postpone the Shred Day event originally scheduled for May 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. This is for the health and safety of our customers, employees, and community, and in compliance with recommendations from our state and local officials. We hope to reschedule Shred Day for a later date in 2020. For additional questions regarding Shred Day, please contact us at (714) 993-8117.

### Citrus Tree Gardening Tips for National Gardening Month

For many Californians, gardening is a relaxing outdoor activity that helps clear the mind, while adding beauty to their yards. April is National Gardening Month, and while we're all practicing social distancing at home, it's a great opportunity to get some fresh air and give your yard some TLC. In California, we have many different types of beautiful plants, and our bright and fragrant fruit trees are not only delicious to eat but are also a wonderful part of our state's tradition – now, about 6 in 10 California residences have a citrus tree on the property.

As we have a bit more time on our hands lately, now is a good time to inspect your citrus trees for pests and diseases. It's extremely important to look for signs and symptoms of the deadly and incurable citrus tree disease, Huanglongbing (HLB), which can be spread by a pest called the Asian Citrus Psyllid. Symptoms of HLB include asymmetrical blotchy and yellowing leaves, corky veins, premature and excessive fruit drop, lopsided fruit, and rancid-tasting fruit. Call the state's pest hotline at (800) 491-1899 if disease symptoms are seen on your tree. For photos and to learn more about HLB and the psyllid visit: [californiacitrusthreat.org/pest-disease/](http://californiacitrusthreat.org/pest-disease/).



## POLICE DEPARTMENT

### North OC Masks for First Responders

This week, the Placentia Police Department (PPD) was contacted by a group known as North OC Masks for First Responders. This group is comprised of volunteers who have made it their mission to equip as many first responders as they can with fabric/cotton face masks. The group came to PPD and donated multiple masks for PPD personnel to assist in keeping us safe while keeping the citizens of Placentia safe! The men and women of the Placentia Police Department say THANK YOU to the North OC Masks for First Responders group!



## DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

### Grading to start this week for Alta Vista & Rose Development

One of the last remaining undeveloped parcels within the City will be undergoing a major site transformation. This site, located at the southeast corner of Alta Vista Street and Rose Drive, is a vacant approximately 8.45-acre parcel within the East Placentia Specific Plan (SP7). The project was approved by the City of Placentia City Council in July 2018, with the project applicant, SC Placentia Development, LP, slated to develop a 1.99-acre area at the northwest corner of the property with two single-story, retail commercial buildings, with a cumulative building size of approximately 10,420 feet, and the remainder of the site would be developed for single-family residential uses. A total of 54 detached residences would be located on 6.46-acres. The proposed residences will have different floorplans and different architectural styles. The entire project site (both commercial and residential) will be landscaped with drought tolerant trees, shrubs, and ground cover along the exterior boundary of the project site, along the interior project streets, and in the open space and recreation areas throughout the project site.





## Development Services Cont.

SC Placentia Development has partnered with Shea Homes to construct the residential portion of the project. Shea Homes will start grading the entire site starting this week for both the residential and commercial portion of the site. Grading and site work will take approximately five to six months, and it is anticipated that construction of homes will start as early as November 2020. For information related to the construction schedule, please contact the Development Services Department directly at (714) 993-8124, or contact [AGonzales@placentia.org](mailto:AGonzales@placentia.org)



## EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

### Placentia Library District Weekly Summary



# Placentia Library District

WEEKLY SUMMARY – April 24-30, 2020

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## National Library Week

### NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK: SHARE YOUR STORY

In celebration of National Library Week, the Placentia Library District would like to hear from our patrons. We want you to be part of our National Library Week history. Please share your stories of how the library is helping you during this difficult time or tell us what fun activity you and your family have been doing during the stay-at-home period. All submissions will become part of a historical storybook that will be available in the history room for everyone to enjoy.

Help us put together our COVID-19 stories on how we are getting through this together! *Submissions will be accepted through May 31.*

Visit [https://www.placentialibrary.org/national\\_library\\_week](https://www.placentialibrary.org/national_library_week) for info!

## Virtual Storytime Programs

### LUNA, LUNA! VIRTUAL BILINGUAL STORYTIME

Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

Facebook Live: [www.facebook.com/placentialibrary](http://www.facebook.com/placentialibrary)

### SUNSHINE BABIES & TODDLER TALES VIRTUAL STORYTIME

Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.

Facebook Live: [www.facebook.com/placentialibrary](http://www.facebook.com/placentialibrary)

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**VIRTUAL STORYTIME!**

Saturdays @ 10:00 a.m.  
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### Virtual Programs

## GAME ON: SMASH TOURNAMENT

Mondays, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Virtual on Nintendo Switch

Think you have what it takes hold the #1 spot on the Smash Leaderboard? Play Super Smash Bros ULTIMATE against friends and folks from all across Placentia! Here's how to join our Arena: No registration required! \*Must have a Switch, Super Smash Bros Ultimate and a Nintendo online pass\* Follow these steps to join:

- On your Switch in the Super Smash Bros Ultimate game, go to "Online," then "Smash," then "Battle Arenas."
- Click on "Join Arena" then "Public Arenas" and change 'type' to "All Skill Levels."
- Search for the Game On! Placentia arena which is under the name "PLD Teen", and the arena name is "Game On! Placentia"
- Click join to battle in the arena!



## Game On: Smash Tournament

Mondays, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Virtual: [Click for information](#)



## GAME ON: ANIMAL CROSSING

Wednesdays, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Virtual on Nintendo Switch

Calling all Villagers! Book your flight with Dodo Airlines to visit our island Lilliput, where the community comes together to create joy, wholesome content, friendships and a reprieve from our solitude of isolation. Share your tips and tricks, harvest needed resources and leave a message on the bulletin board.



The Lilliput gates will be open on Wednesdays from 2 p.m - 4 p.m for villagers to socialize. Our Placentia Library Nintendo friend code is SW-4152-8896-0411. Be sure to add us as a friend at least an hour before the start of the party to enter the island.

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## APPLY FOR A VIRTUAL LIBRARY CARD ONLINE!

Don't have a Placentia Library card already? Click here to apply for a Virtual Library Card: [www.bit.ly/PlacentiaLibraryVirtualLibraryCard](http://www.bit.ly/PlacentiaLibraryVirtualLibraryCard)

*(Note: Current library card holders can already access all Placentia Library resources with their existing library card numbers and PIN – usually the last four digits of your phone number – and should not apply for a VLC.)*

