

City Administrator's  
**Weekly Briefing**

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“Rich Heritage, Bright Future”

**ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT**

**First Responders Recognition Breakfast**

The Placentia Chamber of Commerce hosted their Annual First Responders Recognition Breakfast on Thursday, May 19th in Old Town Placentia. The event featured our local First Responders with a breakfast and award ceremony in their honor. Firefighters, Police/Law Enforcement, Emergency Medical Services and Dispatch personnel came together to enjoy a breakfast to celebrate their hard work, dedication and commitment to our community.

2022 Honorees				
<b>Placentia Police Department</b>	<b>Placentia Fire and Life Safety Department</b>	<b>Placentia Public Safety Communications</b>	<b>Lynch Ambulance</b>	<b>Emergency Ambulance Services</b>
Samantha Wade, Police Officer  Kari Flood, Civilian Investigator	Ryan Murphy, Fire Engineer	The Public Safety Communications Team	Lorenzo Vinluan, Paramedic	Kyle Harris, EMT



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**Upcoming Meetings and Events**

- 5/24/22 Historical Committee
- 5/30/22 Memorial Day—City Facilities Closure
- 6/6/22 Veterans Advisory Committee
- 6/7/22 City Council Meeting
- 6/8/22 Heritage Festival Meeting

**For additional**

**information or**

**questions about this**

**Weekly Briefing, please email:**

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## ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

### Commercial Sign Waiver Program

As part of the City's Buy Local Incentive Program, the Placentia City Council approved the Commercial Sign Waiver Program. This program allows the City to waive all planning and building fees, up to \$1,000 per business that is interested in upgrading their existing commercial building sign. Participating business must have an active business license. The Commercial Sign Waiver Program starts on May 1, 2022 and is only available for six months and will expire on November 1, 2022. For additional information, please call (714) 993-8268.



### Resident Vehicle Rebate Program

Placentia residents purchasing or leasing a new vehicle from Fairway Ford or Audi North OC are eligible to receive a \$500 rebate with proof of residency. Vehicle price must exceed \$25,000 or more to qualify.

Visit the following participating dealerships for more information on this program:

- Fairway Ford - 1350 E. Yorba Linda Blvd., Placentia, CA 92870 (714) 579-3800
- Audi North OC - 1275 E. Yorba Linda Blvd., Placentia, CA 92870 (657) 452-6940



The Resident Vehicle Rebate Program will expire on April 30, 2025

### Placentia Gateway Call for Artists

The City of Placentia is pleased to announce a Request for Qualifications/RFQ to commission an artist or artist team to design and install two permanent public artworks:

1. Mural Artwork for both sides of the W. Crowther Avenue underpass
2. A large-scale sculpture for the land contained by the Orangethorpe Avenue onramp/offramp

Caltrans has allocated a total of \$600,000 for Placentia for these art pieces and this project is fully funded by the State. For more information and to apply, visit [www.callforentry.org](http://www.callforentry.org). Submissions are due by June 1st.

### Legacy Bricks Available for Purchase

The City is partnering with the Placentia Community Foundation to create an opportunity for the community to invest in this one-of-a-kind historic project by incorporating a legacy brick dedication program into this restoration of the Kraemer Park Memorial Fountain. The City and Foundation are now selling personalized commemorative bricks to the community for installation in the fountain plaza area as part of this legacy project. This will provide the larger community an opportunity to participate in this legacy project and be a part of Placentia's legacy! Brick sales are on sale now and cost \$130 each. Placentia seniors (65+) can purchase a brick for \$95. For questions about the Legacy Brick Program, visit [www.placentia.org/legacybrick](http://www.placentia.org/legacybrick) or contact Community Services at (714) 993-8232.



## ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

### City Council Proclaims May 15-21, 2022 as National Public Works Week

At the May 17th City Council meeting, the City Council proclaimed the week of May 15-21, 2022 as “National Public Works Week” in the City of Placentia and encouraged all citizens to join with representatives of the American Public Works Association and government agencies in activities, events, and ceremonies designed to pay tribute to our public works professionals, engineers, managers, and employees and to recognize the substantial contributions they make to protecting our national health, safety, and quality of life.



### City Council Proclaims May 11-17, 2022 as National Police Week

At the May 17th City Council meeting, the City Council proclaimed the week of May 11-17, 2022 as “National Police Week” in the City of Placentia. National Police Week is an opportunity to honor our officers and recognize the sacrifices made by the officers and their families who continue to protect and serve our community.

### City Council Proclaims May 2022 as Military Appreciation Month

At the May 17th City Council meeting, the City Council proclaimed the month of May as Military Appreciation Month and urges all residents to join the City in showing gratitude for the past and present men and women of the United States Military.



### Electronic Waste Recycling Event

The Placentia Chamber of Commerce is hosting an Electronic Waste Recycling Event on Saturday and Sunday, May 21st and 22nd at the Placentia Town Center Parking Lot, 160 Yorba Linda Boulevard. All proceeds from the event will benefit the Placentia Yorba Linda Unified School District.

They will accept anything with a cord. All computer components (printers, keyboard, mouse, etc.); laptop batteries; stereos; speakers; vacuums; satellite dish/boxes; small appliances; CDs; DVDs; lamps; ceiling fans; Christmas lights; power tools and their batteries; lawnmowers. Light bulbs and household batteries will not be accepted.

Below is the service charge for major appliances, including:

\$10 - Microwaves, Cooling Units (Water Dispensers, Air Conditioners, Personal Refrigerators)

\$20 - Water Heaters, Exercise Equipment (Treadmills, Stationary Bikes, Ellipticals)

\$30 - Washing Machines, Dryers, Dishwashers, Stoves.

\$40 - Refrigerators (Standard 2-3 doors)

For more information, please contact (714) 528-1873.



## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

### Public Works Department Celebrates National Public Works Week

It's National Public Works Week! This week, the City celebrated by hosting the 5th grade class of Melrose Elementary School on Thursday, May 18th. This is an annual tradition where the Public Works Department provides a behind the scenes learning experience for students. The kids had a great time learning about the different facets of Public Works and how our valuable work helps our community grow and prosper. The event featured special guests Mayor Rhonda Shader and Miss Placentia Ashley Nelson as well as our Fire and Life Safety Department and Police Department who had live demonstrations. A special thank you to our partners, Republic Services, West Coast Arborists, R.F. Dickson, Yorba Linda Water District, and John L. Hunter who participated in our Open House. Our partners in Public Works play a key role in delivering critical services to our residents every day. To learn more about Public Works, visit [www.placentia.org/publicworks](http://www.placentia.org/publicworks).



## COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

### Tiny Tots Program Coming Soon!

A new Tiny Tots program will be offered beginning July 2022. The program will focus on introducing youth ages 3-5 years old to numbers, counting, colors, shapes, letters, vocabulary development, and following directions in order to gain valuable socialization skills and prepare for kindergarten. The program will be offered in 6-week sessions and at the Koch Park Community Building. For more information, [click here](#) to view the flyer or call (714) 993-8232.

### LOT 318 Community Health Fair Event

Join LOT318 for a Community Health Fair on Monday, May 30th from 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm at the Gomez Community Center, 1701 Atwood Avenue. The event will feature health care resources and providers, games, a yard sale, prizes, and other activities for the whole family. LifeStream Blood Bank will onsite to do blood donations. LifeStream is a nonprofit blood bank that provides blood products and services throughout Southern California. To fulfill patient need, they must collect 500 blood donations daily, currently they are only getting about 300-350 pints a day. Reserve your spot [here](#). For more information about the event, contact (714) 993-8232 or [click here](#).

### Healthcare and Emergency Animal Rescue Team (HEART) Clinics

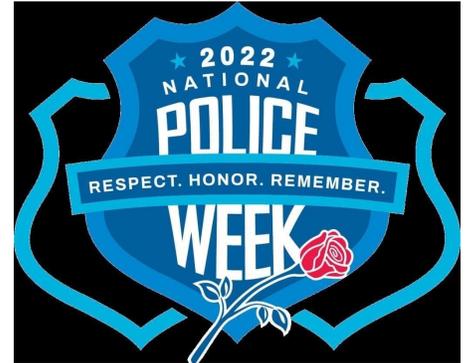
The City has partnered with HEART to host monthly low-cost pet vaccination clinics for the community. The pet clinics take place in the Civic Center parking lot, every fourth Tuesday of the month. The next clinic date will be **May 24th**. Reservations are required and can be made by visiting the "Clinic Services" section at [www.heart4pets.org](http://www.heart4pets.org). Pets will be treated in order of their arrival time. Pet owners must remain in their vehicles and wear a mask that covers the mouth and nose while visiting the clinic. For more information, contact (714) 993-9193 or visit [www.heart4pets.org](http://www.heart4pets.org).



## POLICE DEPARTMENT

### Police Officer Memorial Day

In 1962, President John F. Kennedy designated May 15th as Police Officer Memorial Day and the week in which that day falls is National Police Week. So far in 2022, over 100 police officers across the United States have died in the line of duty. We emphasize this week as a way to honor them and recognize the ultimate sacrifice made by all police officers that have been killed in the line of duty. The showing of support by the Placentia community this week has been amazing! Placentia Police Officers say THANK YOU to all in this great community who have dropped off snacks, donated breakfast, lunch and dinner this week, or have just stopped our officers in the field and simply said, "Thank you for what you do." You all are the reason why we continually strive to provide the best service to this city as humanly possible!



## FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY DEPARTMENT

### Fire and Life Safety Notable Events

- This past week your Placentia Firefighters and Lynch Paramedics responded to an auto verses electrical light accident. Crews were able to safely extricate and treat two patients and Southern California Edison responded to assist with the electrical pole. The cause of the crash is under investigation by the Placentia Police Department.
- Also this week, Placentia Fire units responded into Fullerton to assist with a major fire. The fire was a wind-driven fire started by vegetation that caught a carport on fire with eight vehicles. The fire also spread to nearby mobile homes. Luckily, there were no injuries to civilians. One Firefighter from a nearby City suffered minor burn injuries. The cause of the fire is under investigation by Fullerton Fire and Police.
- Placentia Fire and Life Safety also responded to a technical rescue of a dog stuck in an iron fence. Crews were able to get Scotty the dog out safely and his family was very grateful. They sent us the following message, "Thank you very much for coming to Scotty's rescue this morning. You truly saved his life by removing his head from the wrought iron fence. We are so grateful and so is he!" We are so appreciative of messages like these and it makes the hard work we do each day all the more worth it.



### Community Outreach

Placentia Fire and Life Safety was pleased to host a dinner for the winners of a Blessed Sacrament School auction. The winners received a tour of Station #2, ate a dinner prepared by the firefighters, and even celebrated a birthday! PFLSD and Lynch EMS were just as excited to host the event as the winners were to visit the fire station.





## DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

### Audi is Now Open!

The City of Placentia is excited to announce the Penske Audi Car Dealership is open! This elegantly designed building opened for business at the beginning of May. The new home of Penske Audi's first north Orange County location can be found at the previously vacant site across from Fairway Ford, 1275 E. Yorba Linda Boulevard. The new dealership includes a two-story 25,000 square foot building that contains an indoor vehicle display area, sales areas, offices, and a parts department. Two smaller facilities are located behind the main dealership building and include service bays, detail/wash bays, and a vehicle photo booth. The architecture is a contemporary design consistent with modern Audi dealerships in California.

Before being purchased by Penske Auto Group, the property had been an eyesore to the community and was an attractive nuisance for vandalism, graffiti, and other illegal activities. The City worked extensively with the property's previous owner to either fully secure the property, develop it, or sell it to someone with a vision for development. The new Audi dealership is estimated to generate approximately \$400-\$500k of annual sales tax revenue (based on preliminary estimates). It will also create a significant number of new jobs, increasing discretionary spending in Placentia.

Placentia residents can take advantage of the Resident Vehicle Rebate Program, which provides a \$500 rebate for residents purchasing or leasing a vehicle from Audi North Orange County. Be sure to stop by soon to check out the new Audi models, ask about the rebate program, and admire this sleekly designed site.



## EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

### Placentia Library District Weekly Summary

# Placentia Library District

Weekly Summary – May 20-26, 2022

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Instagram: @placentialib  
Facebook: Placentia Library

## Library Info

Library Board Meeting: Thursday, May 26, at 9:30 a.m. in the Community Meeting Room. More info at [www.placentialibrary.org](http://www.placentialibrary.org).

## CALIFORNIA STATE LIBRARY PARKS PASSES NOW AVAILABLE

Learn more at [www.placentialibrary.org/library-of-things](http://www.placentialibrary.org/library-of-things)

The State Library Parks Pass provides free day-use state park passes to libraries throughout California for library cardholders to check out. The pass provides FREE entry at 200+ state parks and beaches. Placentia Library District passes checkout for 2 weeks. For specific details, conditions and a list of ineligible parks please visit [www.checkoutcastateparks.com](http://www.checkoutcastateparks.com).



## EBOOKS AND ONLINE LEARNING

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Get to know some of our e-resources, from online courses on Coursera to eBooks and eAudiobooks on Hoopla! Access free with your library card.

## WANT TO RECOMMEND AN ITEM FOR US TO PURCHASE?

Learn more at [www.placentialibrary.org/tell-us-what-to-buy](http://www.placentialibrary.org/tell-us-what-to-buy)

Is there an item you think we should consider adding to our library collection? The Tell Us What to Buy form allows the library to get the items for you that our library does not own. Some items may be ordered through our Zip Books program, sponsored by the California State Library, and delivered directly to your home via Amazon.

## Children's Programs

### IN-PERSON STORYTIMES

Your favorite storytimes are back at Placentia Library District! Our storytimes are held in the Virginia and Norman Haussman Storytime Alcove. Info and schedules: [www.placentialibrary.org](http://www.placentialibrary.org)

**Luna, Luna! Bilingual Pajama Storytime** – This week: Wednesday, May 25 @ 6:30 p.m.

**Once Upon A Storytime (Ages 0-3 with caregiver)** – This week: Thursday, May 26 @ 10 a.m.

**Family Storytime** – This week: Saturday, May 21 @ 10 a.m.

### READ TO THE DOGS

1st Monday of Each Month, 6:00 p.m. Next month: June 6

Virginia and Norman Haussman Storytime Alcove

Learn more at [www.placentialibrary.org/read-to-the-dogs](http://www.placentialibrary.org/read-to-the-dogs)



### MORNING MEET UPS

2nd and 4th Monday of Each Month, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. This week: May 23

Crossroads Corner

Join us in the Crossroads Corner area for play and meeting other families at the library! We will have toys, books, and learning materials available for your children. Start off the week with family time and conversations with other families at the library! Recommended for children 0 - 4 years accompanied by a parent or caregiver.



### 1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN!

<https://placentialibrary.beanstack.org>

Read a book (any book) to your newborn, infant, and/or toddler and log it in Beanstack. The goal is to have read 1,000 books before your kiddo starts kindergarten! Don't worry, repeated books still count towards your total. Once you've logged your 1,000 books, you'll receive a special certificate and prize!

## The Hangar DIY Lab

Visit [www.placentialibrary.org/hangar-diy-lab](http://www.placentialibrary.org/hangar-diy-lab) for more info!



### **ADULT & TEEN TAKE AND MAKE KIT PICKUP: PET PORTRAIT**

*Pickup began May 1, while supplies last*

Calling all Pet Parents! Give your precious pets a place of honor in your home by creating these Pet Portraits!



### **CRICUT OPEN HOUSE**

*Saturday, June 4, 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.*

Open House is a great time to come learn the basics of our Cricut Die-Cut Machine. Whether you want to try our basic beginners craft, or just ask questions - these days are great for stopping on by The Hangar!

## Adult, Teens and Literacy Programs

### **INTRO TO COMPOSTING**

*Saturday, May 21, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.*

*Placentia Library Community Meeting Room*

Learn how easy it is to start and maintain your own home composting system. This program will keep you ahead of the curve when it comes to sustainability and living green. Presentation provided by the UCCE Master Gardeners of Orange County.

### **BOOK CLUB**

*2nd Tuesday of Each Month, 1:00 p.m. Next month: Salt Path by Raynor Winn on June 14*

*Placentia Library Community Meeting Room*

Learn more at [www.placentialibrary.org/book-club](http://www.placentialibrary.org/book-club)

### **YOGA AT THE LIBRARY WITH GOOD MOODRA YOGA**

*Select Saturdays, 10:30 a.m. Next week: June 4*

*Placentia Library Lawn*

Learn more at [www.placentialibrary.org/yoga](http://www.placentialibrary.org/yoga)

### **PLACENTIA TEEN ADVISORY COUNCIL (PTAC)**

*1st and 3rd Thursdays of Each Month, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Next week: June 2*

*Placentia Library Community Meeting Room*

Learn more at [www.placentialibrary.org/ptac](http://www.placentialibrary.org/ptac)

## Celebrate AAPI Heritage Month

### **SAVE THE DATE: ASIAN AMERICAN PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH CELEBRATION**

*Saturday, May 28, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.*

*Placentia Library*

Performances, story time, maker/craft faire, author meet and greets, and food for sale.

Fundraiser presented by the Placentia Library Friends Foundation.

Please visit <https://placentialibraryfriends.com> for more info.



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