

City Administrator's Weekly Briefing

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“Rich Heritage, Bright Future”

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

E-Waste Recycle Events

The Placentia Chamber is pleased to announce their upcoming e-Waste Recycling Event on Saturday, March 4th and Sunday, March 5th from 9:00 am—3:00 pm at the Placentia Town Center. All proceeds from the events go to the PYLUSD Grant Program to enhance the budgets of local Placentia/Yorba Linda classrooms.

They will take anything with a screen or 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, and more. Most things that plug into an outlet will be accepted.

Service charges for major appliances will include: \$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). Light bulbs and household batteries will not be accepted.

Purchase a Legacy Brick Today

The City is partnering with the Community Foundation to create an opportunity for the community to invest in a one-of-a-kind historic project by incorporating legacy brick dedication program into the restoration of the Kraemer Park Memorial Fountain. The City and the Foundation are selling personalized commemorative bricks as part of this legacy project. The deadline to purchase a brick has been extended through March. For questions about the Legacy Brick Program, visit www.placentia.org/legacybrick or contact (714) 993-8232.

City Council Acknowledges Eagle Scout Mitchell Di Mario

At the February 21st City Council Meeting, the City Council recognized Eagle Scout Mitchell Di Mario for his Eagle Scout project at Koch Park. Mitchell added new landscaping, worked with the City’s Community Services Department on solar lighting for the flag pole, and installed a memorial bench. The City of Placentia greatly appreciates the efforts of Eagle Scout Mitchell Di Mario.



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Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 3/7/23 City Council Meeting
- 3/8/23 Senior Advisory Committee
- 3/9/23 Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Meeting
- 3/14/23 Park Arts and Recreation Commission
- 3/14/23 Planning Commission

For additional information or

questions about this

Weekly Briefing, please email:

CAWeekly@placentia.org



ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

Apply for a Job with the City of Placentia

The City is currently hiring for a variety of jobs. At the City of Placentia, we strive to make a difference by continually developing our progressive and innovative workforce. Our team works together to foster an environment that promotes diversity, creativity, and respect for everyone's opinions to ensure a better result for the community we serve. If you are interested in a public sector career with an established agency dedicated to improving the way its employees work, develop, and thrive, a position with us would be an excellent opportunity for you. Don't wait; apply today! For more information on open positions, please visit www.placentia.org/jobs.



Local Hazard Mitigation Plan—Community Meeting

The City is in the process of developing a 2023 Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) and is looking for community input. The LHMP is being developed by a Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee (HMPC) comprised of representatives from various City departments, neighboring jurisdictions, key federal, state, and local agency stakeholders, and the public. The LHMP will address hazards of concern to the City, assess the likely impacts of these hazards to the people and assets of the City of Placentia planning area, and establish goals and prioritize projects to reduce the impacts of future disasters on people and property as well as to critical facilities and infrastructure. Members of the community play a crucial role in this process. Planning committee and public kickoff meetings are scheduled for Thursday, March 9, 2023. Please see the City's LHMP webpage at www.placentia.org/lhmp for more information on meeting times and locations. All interested stakeholders and members of the public are welcome to attend. For more information on this project and how to be involved, contact Patrick Powers at (714) 993-8214 or ppowers@placentia.org.

SoCalGas Announces \$10 Million in Aid to Support Unprecedented Gas Prices

SoCalGas announced \$10 million in funding to help customers with bill assistance and to bolster community resources for those who may be struggling financially. The company committed \$5 million in shareholder funding to the Gas Assistance Fund, a program administered by the United Way that provides income-qualified customers with one-time grants to help pay their natural gas bills. SoCalGas also announced it will contribute \$4 million to relaunch its popular Fueling Our Communities program, a collaboration with local food banks and nonprofits that provides free meals and groceries to thousands of Californians facing food insecurity. Customers can visit socalgas.com/ManageHigherBills for more information on the factors that lead to higher bills and ways SoCalGas can help.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Summer Volunteering Program

Join the Community Services team this summer! The Community Services Department is pleased to announce the Summer Volunteering Program. Junior High School and High School students, aged 13-16, who need volunteer service hours for graduation are encouraged to apply to assist the Community Services staff with multiple activities throughout the City. Participants will gain valuable on-the-job training skills, while being a part of a dynamic team this summer! Volunteers assist with youth sports, P.A.R.K.'s programs, special events, senior programs, and excursions. Applicants must be 13 years of age by June 1, 2023 and reside within the City limits of Placentia or attend a Placentia Yorba Linda Unified School District school. The deadline to apply is May 1, 2023 at 5:30 pm. For more information, please [click here](#) or contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.



COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Proposed Senior/Community Center Project

The City of Placentia and the Blue Ribbon Committee have embarked on a project to design a proposed new Senior/Community Center at Tri-City Park. The City Council formed the Blue-Ribbon Committee to assist the City in identifying the need and recommend design components of a proposed Senior/Community Center facility. The proposed facility will provide seniors and residents with a much-needed space to serve the growing needs of our senior population and residents by offering robust programs and services for all ages. The current Placentia Senior Center is located in the 100-year-old Edwin T. Powell building at 143 S. Bradford Avenue. Current programs include Bingo, knitting and crocheting clubs, exercise classes, movies, and social opportunities, all of which are limited by the size of this historic 4,500-square-foot building. The newly proposed Senior/Community Center is envisioned as a true civic destination in being vibrant, active, and rich with diverse resources, services, technologies, programs, and events, thereby addressing the needs of Placentia's growing senior population. On Wednesday, February 15th, the Blue Ribbon Committee held a joint meeting with the Parks, Arts, and Recreation Commission, and the Senior Advisory Committee to review and discuss the project. The Commissioners and Committee members participated in a Needs Assessment exercise during the meeting.

The City and the Blue Ribbon Committee is now conducting the Needs Assessment Survey for the proposed Senior/Community Center and would like your input on your priorities for community activities and spaces for the new facility, as well as on design values and key features. Please complete the brief survey by clicking the link below to share your ideas and help create the vision for this state-of-the-art facility! You may select as many options as you like for each question. Printed copies of the survey will also be available at City Hall at the Community Services Department, and at the Senior Center. For more information about the project, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.

[Click here to take the Survey](#)



CITY OF PLACENTIA

NEW PROPOSED SENIOR
COMMUNITY CENTER

THE CITY AND BLUE-RIBBON COMMITTEE IS NOW CONDUCTING A NEEDS ASSESMENT SURVEY FOR A PROPOSED NEW SENIOR/COMMUNITY CENTER AND WOULD LIKE YOUR INPUT ON YOUR PRIORITIES FOR COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND SPACES FOR THE NEW FACILITY, AS WELL AS INPUT ON DESIGN VALUES AND KEY FEATURES. PLEASE COMPLETE THE BRIEF SURVEY BY CLICKONG THE LINK BELOW TO SHARE YOUR IDEAS AND HELP CREATE THE VISION FOR THIS STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITY!



PROJECT SITE

TRI-CITY
PARK

ONLINE
SURVEY:



FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE
CALL THE COMMUNITY SERVICES
DEPARTMENT AT (714) 993-8232.



COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Santa Fe Park Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

The City is excited to announce a ribbon cutting ceremony on Saturday, March 18th at 11:00 am at Santa Fe Park to unveil the newly renovated playground equipment! In following, the Parks Initiative Plan, the Santa Fe Park playground highlights a railroad theme. The playground features a custom 5-12 year old train engine play structure, slides, an enclosed climbing spinner, a 2-5 year old train car play structure, four new shade sails for the park, and new rubberized surfacing with a railroad design. The City extends a sincere thank you to St. Jude Medical Center for providing \$75,000 in grant funding towards the purchase of the 2-5 year old play structure. For more information on the event, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.



FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY DEPARTMENT

Structure Fire

On Thursday, February 23rd, Fire and Life Safety responded to a reported structure fire on Mackena Place. Upon arrival, Placentia Engine 1 found a two-story, single-family residence with heavy smoke and fire coming from the garage.

Placentia Engine 1 established "Mackena IC" and began to deploy a 2 ½" attack line to the front of the garage. Engine 1 also secured its own water source. Placentia Truck 2 arrived at scene and was given the assignment of interior fire attack. Truck 2 checked for extension into the house and verified that everyone had evacuated the home. Placentia Battalion 1 arrived on scene and assumed "Mackena IC." During this time, the Police Department was on-scene evacuating neighboring homes. Code Enforcement was also at the scene assisting with street closures.

Due to the nature of the fire, additional resources were dispatched from Anaheim, Brea, and Fullerton. Fullerton Engine 3 arrived at the scene and assisted Placentia Engine 1 with fire attack and made sure that the fire was contained to the garage. Fullerton Engine 5 arrived at scene and pulled a 1 ¾" secondary hose line to the inside of the structure to help Placentia Truck 2 check for extension into the structure. Anaheim Engine 5 arrived at scene and was given the assignment of Rapid Intervention Crew "RIC." Brea Truck 2 and Anaheim Truck 1 arrived at scene and were given the assignment of ventilation group. With the quick tactical actions of the crews, the fire was contained to the garage, and there were no injuries to civilians or fire personnel.

In all, there were over 27 firefighters on-scene to help with extinguishing the fire and ensuring that it didn't spread to the adjacent homes. All outside resources were released and Placentia units remained at the scene to secure the structure.





PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

OC Waste and Recycling Compost Giveaway

JOIN OC WASTE & RECYCLING TO PICK UP **FREE COMPOST** WHILE SUPPLIES LAST!

Compost Giveaway

SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

BEE CANYON GREENERY AT FRANK R. BOWERMAN LANDFILL
11002 BEE CANYON ACCESS RD., IRVINE

VALENCIA GREENERY AT OLINDA ALPHA LANDFILL
1942 N. VALENCIA AVE., BREA

CAPISTRANO GREENERY AT PRIMA DESHECHA LANDFILL
32250 AVENIDA LA PATA, SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO

- Proof of Orange County residency is required.
- Residents should **bring a shovel and container/bag to fill** at Irvine and San Juan locations.
- Only pre-filled bags available at Brea location while supplies last.
- Quantities are limited.
- Staff will be on-site.

Event subject to weather conditions, check website for updates.



[OCLandfills.com/compost-events](https://oclandfills.com/compost-events)

Upcoming City Shredding and E-Waste Recycling Event

The City of Placentia invites Placentia residents and businesses to participate in a free community Shredding & E-Waste Recycling Event Saturday, April 15th from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm at Placentia Civic Center (401 East Chapman Avenue). Paper Depot will be present at the event to destroy confidential documents on-site. Limit four (4) banker box-size containers from each household or business located in Placentia. Residents are asked to please place items in the trunk for easy access, and if material is in a 3-ring binder, please remove before shredding. Attan Recycling will be present to collect e-waste. For more information about accepted e-waste items, please contact Cathy Nguyen, Environmental Services Coordinator, at (714) 993-8123 or cnguyen@placentia.org.

SB 1383 Mandatory Compliance is Coming to Placentia!

Beginning Summer of 2023, Placentia residents will be able to divert food scraps from the trash bin to reduce the amount of organic waste sent to local landfills. Single-family residences will commingle food scraps with yard waste in the brown bin. Multi-family residences will obtain designated receptacles for organics and recyclables. As of now, there is no change to current waste disposal for residents, with the exception of residents in the Hamer Island neighborhood, whose organics recycling program went into effect in July 2022. Hamer Island residents can already dispose of food scraps in the brown bin. Organics recycling service is currently available to businesses. To enroll, contact Republic Services at (714) 238-3300. The City will continue to provide updates on the implementation of organics recycling services citywide. To learn more about SB 1383, visit www.placentia.org/SB1383. For SB 1383 or waste-related support, please contact Environmental Services Coordinator Cathy Nguyen at (714) 993-8123 or cnguyen@placentia.org.



DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Hudson Townhomes

The City of Placentia is happy to announce that a new residential development, Hudson Townhomes, has completed its first and second phases of construction, and has begun construction on the third phase. Located in the Atwood neighborhood, this gated townhome development sits just south of the intersection of Orangethorpe Avenue and Van Buren Street, at the address 443 & 455 S. Van Buren Street. Currently, three stunning model townhomes are open and available to tour.



When completed, the 139-unit residential development will consist of 22 separate three-story buildings. Six floor plans are proposed, consisting of 25 one-bedroom units, 52 two-bedroom units, and 62 three-bedroom units. The unit types will measure between 762 square feet and 1,349 square feet in overall floor area, and each unit will feature an attached one or two-car garage.

The project has several amenities such as a tot lot, gated entry and neighborhood, dog park, basketball court, BBQs and fire pit, as well as a central OC location adjacent to the 57, 91, and 55 Freeways. Join Landsea Homes as they unveil the stunning model homes at Hudson in Placentia!

The project developer, a partnership between Toffoli Investments and Landsea Homes, is constructing the townhomes. Construction is anticipated to continue for approximately 12 months. For information related to the construction schedule, contact the Development Services Department at (714) 993-8124 or contact AGonzales@placentia.org.



EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

Placentia Library District Weekly Summary

Placentia Library District

Weekly Summary – March 3-9, 2023

Follow us on social media!
Instagram: @placentialib
Facebook: Placentia Library

The Library will be closed on Thursday, March 9 for Staff Development Day.

Children's Programs

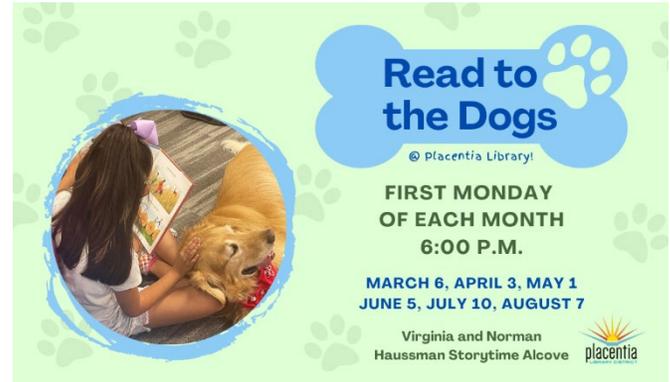
READ TO THE DOGS

First Monday of Each Month, 6:00 p.m.

This Week: March 6

Virginia and Norman Haussman Storytime Alcove

Open to children of all ages! Read to a trained, furry friend from The Bright and Beautiful Therapy Dogs, Inc. - because even dogs like to hear a good tail-chasing tale now and then!



STORYTIMES

Our storytimes are held in the Virginia and Norman Haussman Storytime Alcove.

Family Storytime

On break until Saturday, March 18 @ 10:00 a.m.

Luna, Luna! Bilingual Pajama Storytime

On break until Wednesday, March 15 @ 6:30 p.m.

En descanso hasta Miércoles, 15 de Marzo @ 6:30 p.m.

Baby Giggles and Wiggles Storytime

On break until Thursday, March 16 @ 10:00 a.m.

MORNING MEET UPS

Monday, March 6

Mondays, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Crossroads Corner

Join us in the Crossroads Corner area for play time and a chance to meet other families at the library! We will have toys, books, and learning materials available for your children. Encouraged for children 0-4 accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

eBooks and Online Learning

CREATIVEBUG

Creativebug.com has thousands of award-winning art & craft video classes taught by recognized design experts and artists.

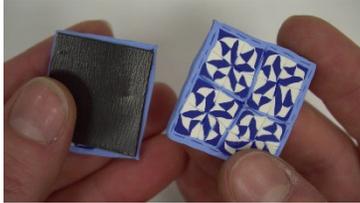
See a full listing of our online resources on our website at www.placentialibrary.org/ebooks-and-online-learning/!



Looking for a book or library item? Search our online catalog at catalog.placentialibrary.org.

The Hangar DIY Lab

Come explore The Hangar: a do-it-yourself space to design, build, and create. Whether you want to learn a new skill, use our equipment, or just gain inspiration, The Hangar is the place for you! Curious about our space? Stop by during open hours for a tour, or [visit our page on the library website.](#)



ADULT & TEEN TAKE AND MAKE KIT PICKUP: POLYMER CLAY QUILT SQUARES

Pickup began March 1, while supplies last
Design your own patchwork using polymer clay for this quilted magnet. All the charm of a quilt, none of the sewing!

SUNDAY 1:00 - 4:30 P.M.
TUESDAY 12:00 - 7:30 P.M.*
THURSDAY 12:00 - 7:30 P.M.*
SATURDAY 9:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

*CLOSED 4:30 - 5:30 P.M.

Occupancy limit and hours are subject to change.
Be sure to check for upcoming closure dates!
placentialibrary.org/hangar-diy-lab



ADULT & TEEN TAKE AND MAKE KIT PREORDER: BOTANICAL TEA TOWEL

Preorder March 1-7 to pick up in April
Bring some whimsy to your kitchen with this Botanical Tea Towel. Learn about the technique of flower pounding to create beautiful prints.

Adult, Teen, and Literacy Programs

YOGA AT THE LIBRARY

Saturday, March 4

Saturdays at 10:30 a.m.

Placentia Library Lawn

Discover yoga for your body and mind with Good Moodra Yoga. Relax and flow into each pose as you enjoy the sunshine from our library lawn. Students of all levels welcome. Bring your own mat. Check website for cancellation notices.

PLACENTIA TEEN ADVISORY COUNCIL (PTAC)

1st and 3rd Thursdays of Each Month, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: March 16

Placentia Library Community Meeting Room

BOOK CLUB

2nd Tuesday of Each Month, 1:00 p.m.

Next Week: "The Bookshop at Water's End" by Patti Callahan Henry on March 14

Placentia Library Community Meeting Room

LITERACY

Teach an adult to read. Become a Volunteer Adult Literacy Tutor. Get started at www.placentialibrary.org/literacy.

Read, Write, Speak Club

Friday, March 3

Fridays, 9:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Placentia Library Community Meeting Room

The Read, Write, Speak Club is an opportunity to chat with other English language learners in a relaxed and comfortable environment. Learn new vocabulary, improve reading and writing, and sharpen your pronunciation skills.

**Yoga at
the Library**

with Good Moodra Yoga

SATURDAYS AT 10:30 A.M.
PLACENTIA LIBRARY LAWN

Students of all levels welcome,
bring your own mat!
Schedule: placentialibrary.org/yoga

Contact us: (714) 528-1906 - information@placentialibrary.org - 411 E. Chapman Ave. Placentia

