

City Administrator's Weekly Briefing

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“Rich Heritage, Bright Future”

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

Tips and Tricks for Keeping Mosquitoes at Bay

The Aedes mosquito also known as the ankle biter, is an aggressive daytime biting mosquito. These mosquitoes are capable of transmitting certain diseases such as Dengue, Zika and Yellow fever. Unfortunately, the Aedes or Ankle biters are invading communities all over Orange County as they continue to expand and residents are being faced with a new normal in which they need:

- To be proactive in mosquito control
- Protect themselves from bites
- Adapt to a new way of enjoying the outdoors

The best method to reduce mosquito activity is to reduce water sources off of your property. These mosquitoes breed in backyard sources such as flower pot saucers, yard drains, water-holding plants, and other small containers on the property. Residents should check their property weekly for standing water and eliminate that water source. [Click here](#) for more information. [Click here](#) to view the Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District March City Report for Placentia.



Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Community Meetings

Help the City develop the 2023 Local Hazard Mitigation Plan! Floods, earthquakes, fires, and severe weather are just a few of the hazards of concern to our City. While natural hazards such as these cannot be prevented, a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) forms the foundation for a community's long-term strategy to reduce disaster losses by breaking the repeated cycle of disaster damage and reconstruction. Communities with a FEMA-approved LHMP are eligible to apply for both pre- and post-disaster mitigation grant funding and are better positioned to respond and recover when disasters occur. During the second Planning and Public Meetings, we will be reviewing the risk assessment data developed to date for each hazard and are looking for your feedback in refining and adding to the Risk Assessment Chapter. We encourage attendance and participation from the general public at our upcoming Planning Committee or Public Meetings: **Planning Committee Meeting:** May 10th, 1:30 – 4:30 pm, City Council Chambers, 401 E. Chapman Avenue. **Public Information Meeting:** May 10th, 5:30 – 7:00 pm, City Council Chambers, 401 E. Chapman Avenue. For more information, visit www.placentia.org/lhmp or contact Patrick Powers at (714) 993-8214 or ppowers@placentia.org.

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Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 5/2/23 City Council Meeting
- 5/9/23 Planning Commission
- 5/10/23 LHMP Community Meetings
- 5/16/23 City Council Meeting
- 5/29/23 Memorial Day—City Facilities Closure

For additional information or

questions about this

Weekly Briefing, please email:

CAWeekly@placentia.org



ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

SCE Incentives for Electric Vehicles (EV)

Southern California Edison supports the transition to a clean energy economy and is modernizing its electric grid to support the transition to EVs. With affordability in mind, there are a number of incentives available to help lower the purchase price of an EV. Buyers can also personalize incentives based on where they live. Some of these incentives include:

- Federal Alternative Fuel Infrastructure tax credit – up to \$1,000 for the purchase of qualifying residential fueling equipment.
- Federal tax credit – up to \$7,500 for the purchase or lease of a new, qualifying plug-in EV.
- Federal Used Clean Vehicle Credit – up to \$4,000 if you buy a qualified used EV or fuel cell vehicle.
- California Clean Vehicle Rebate – \$1,000-\$7,500 for the purchase or lease of qualifying vehicles.

Several other incentives are available, including rebates, tax credits, financing opportunities, and vehicle retirement/replacement incentives. To learn more about these opportunities, [click here](#). To learn more about what SCE is doing to electrify transportation, [click here](#).

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Community Services Summer Job Opportunities Now Open

Community Services is looking for energetic people to fill part-time positions as Community Services Leaders and Lifeguard staff for the summer Aquatics Program. Community Services Leaders participate in a variety of activities including youth sports, arts and crafts, camps, special events, and City-sponsored excursions. Lifeguards have an opportunity to teach youth swim lessons and lead recreational swim activities. The City of Placentia offers competitive salaries and flexible schedules. Please [click here](#) to view the job opportunities or call Human Resources at (714) 993-8141 for more information.

Summer Volunteering Program

Join the Community Services team this summer! The 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, [click here](#) or call (714) 993-8232.

Love Placentia Service Day

The Love Placentia Service Day event was held on Saturday, April 22nd. Churches, local government, businesses, non-profits, and residents partnered together for the betterment of the community. The event kicked off at 8:00 am with a rally at El Dorado High School, where volunteers received t-shirts and a complimentary pancake breakfast provided by the Rotary Club of Placentia and the Kiwanis Club of Placentia. There were over 1,000 Volunteers who worked together to complete over 20 projects within the City.





COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

3rd Annual Health and Wellness Fair

LOT318 (Loving Others in Truth) will be hosting its 3rd Annual Health and Wellness Fair at Kraemer Memorial Park on Monday, May 29th from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm. The event will feature game booths, carnival rides, photo booths, raffle and various health and wellness resources such as an eye check, ask a doctor, and more! The entire community is invited to participate in this Memorial Day Good Life Celebration. For more information, please visit www.lot318.com.

Proposed Senior/Community Center Project Information and Upcoming Community Meetings

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 needs of our residents and rapidly growing senior population 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. Recently, 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 are now conducting the Needs Assessment Survey for the proposed Senior/Community Center. We 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.

In addition to completing the Needs Assessment survey, you can also participate in one of the upcoming community outreach meetings to learn more about the project and provide your feedback.

For more information about the project, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.



CITY OF PLACENTIA

SHARE YOUR IDEAS AND HELP CREATE THE VISION!

JUST IMAGINE



PROPOSED SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER

OPPORTUNITIES FOR INPUT

Community Meetings at:

1. **Aguirre Building**
505 Jefferson St
March 20, 6:00PM – 7:30PM
2. **Whitten Community Center**
900 S Melrose Street
March 28, 6:00PM – 7:30PM
3. **Easter EGG-CITEMENT**
Kraemer Park - 201 N. Bradford Ave
April 1, 10:00AM – 1:00PM
4. **Golden Elementary**
740 Golden Ave
April 18, 6:00PM – 7:30PM
5. **Backs Community Building**
201 N. Bradford Ave
April 24, 6:00PM – 7:30PM



ONLINE SURVEY:
(February 16–April 30)



FOR MORE INFORMATION
☎ (714) 993-8232



[Click here to take the Survey](#)



DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Chapman Corridor Revitalization Plan



The City is embarking on an effort to revitalize Chapman Avenue, between the 57 freeway and Kraemer Boulevard, with enhanced land uses, development standards, and design guidelines tailored to their immediate neighborhood. Coined the “Chapman Corridor,” this stretch of the thoroughfare is envisioned to allow for integrated land use patterns that encourage multimodal travel, walkability, mixed-use development, medium- to high-density residential, public/private open space opportunities, and high-quality urban design that is in scale with both a respective property and its surrounding area. The goal is to encourage a network of cohesive developments that revitalizes the corridor, provides a path to the Old Town and Packing House Districts, and anchor the westerly city boundary with the City’s Civic Center to the east.



Figure 1: Conceptual project boundary contained in the online survey of the proposed Chapman Corridor

On October 1, 2019, City Council adopted the comprehensive General Plan Update. This update included all Elements of the General Plan except the Housing Element, which will come before the City Council as an amended document. The adopted Land Use Element of the 2019 General Plan strongly encourages enhancements and improvements to the visual image, physical design characteristics, economic vitality, and infrastructure of the Chapman Corridor. The current effort to develop the Chapman Corridor Revitalization Plan aims to bring this vision to fruition.

The City has and will be coordinating a variety of outreach efforts that will be disseminated to the public at large, including property owners, business owners, and stakeholders. These outreach efforts will be provided via fliers, social media postings, and on the City's website at www.placentia.org/chapmancorridor, as a means of engaging the community and keep the public up-to-date with the latest developments of the plan. One such effort is through an online survey that is intended to allow the public to provide feedback on the proposed plan. The survey can be found in both English and Spanish and can be accessed at <https://arcg.is/0qn1Ci0> (English) or <https://arcg.is/1mTO0z0> (Spanish).

Should you have any questions regarding the status or progress of the Chapman Corridor Revitalization Plan, please feel free to contact the Development Services Department at (714) 993-8124.



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Best Recycling Practices

Did you know that paper and cardboard make up 23% of municipal solid waste – the largest percentage of materials in the waste stream? (Food is the second largest, at almost 22%.) The recycling rate for paper & cardboard is 68% and the remaining 32% are landfilled or combusted with energy recovery. The recycling rate for plastic is even lower. ***While recycling plays an important role in diverting materials from the landfill, preventing/reducing waste and reusing existing resources should always take precedence.*** Not all materials that go into the recycling bin can be recycled (largely due to contaminants). Its success relies on a community effort and the adoption of best recycling practices. Here are some tips:

- **Establish clear signage.** If you are implementing a new recycling program at your home or workplace, consider designating a different bin color that would distinguish it from the trash bin. Keep in mind that this is a training experience for everyone, so the more guidance there is on signage, the more helpful it would be.
- **All recyclables should be clean and dry.** Keep contaminants out of the recycling bin! Contaminants include: plastic bags, food residue, liquids, grease, and debris. These can lead to clean recyclables entering the landfills, which wastes processing time and effort. Plastic bags cause machine jams and service delays at the recycling processing facility. Some grocery stores accept them. Check with your local store for more information. If you are unsure about whether or not an item can be recycled, please contact the City's Environmental Services Coordinator at (714) 993-8123 or Republic Services at (714) 238-3300.
- **Break down cardboard boxes and cans.** Taking the time to safely perform this task will create more volume in the recycling bin, allowing it to accommodate more recyclables. Make sure that your recycling lid can be properly closed and that materials are not spilling out of the bin.

[Click here](#) to download the above infographic to save and/or print at home to use as a tool. For more information and helpful tips for best recycling practices, visit www.irecyclesmart.com, www.recyclingsimplified.com, www.placentia.org/recycling, and www.epa.gov/recycle.



TIPS TO RECYCLING RESPONSIBLY



LABEL YOUR BIN
Putting signage and getting a different colored bin can guide others as they get used to recycling.



FLATTEN BOXES & CANS
Cardboard boxes can take up a lot of volume. When flattened and crushed, the bin can hold more materials.



NO CONTAMINANTS
All recyclables must be clean and dry. This means no liquids, food residue, grease, or debris.



LEARN THE SYMBOLS
This triangle with a number indicates the material's plastic type. Not all plastics are recyclable!



LEAVE THEM LOOSE
Recyclables do not need to be in plastic bags. Simply put them in the recycling bin - loose.



AVOID WISH-CYCLING
"Wish-cycling" is the act of recycling things we wish could be recycled, even though they cannot be.

To enter the last giveaway, please [click here](#).



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Caltrans Dump Day

Caltrans will host a “Dump Day” in Placentia on Saturday, May 6th, from 8:00 am—11:00 am (or until capacity is reached) at Tri-City Park. Drop off your bulky household waste at no cost. For more information, contact christianne.smith@dot.ca.gov. You can also visit their website for other free events going on in Orange County at www.dot.ca.gov/D12CleanCA.



DUMP DAY PLACENTIA

SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2023

Drop off your bulky household waste at no cost!

Caltrans staff will be on-site to collect household items that are too bulky for residential garbage bins, such as mattresses, furniture, toys and e-waste.

Location: Tri-City Park
2301 N Kraemer Blvd, Placentia, CA 92870

Time: 8-11 a.m. or until intake capacity is reached.

The following items will NOT be accepted at this event:

- Hazardous materials (batteries, paints, oils, chemicals, pesticides, smoke detectors, fluorescent lights, etc.)
- Concrete, dirt, rocks, brick, asphalt, or sand
- Treated wood
- Tires

Space is limited; waste may not be accepted once capacity is reached. Please cover your load. Uncovered loads may not be accepted. This event is organized to further Caltrans' goal of keeping our highways litter-free as part of the Clean California initiative.



Caltrans logo | Contact: christianne.smith@dot.ca.gov
Check our website regularly for free events in Orange County at dot.ca.gov/D12CleanCA

Arbor Day Celebration

The City celebrated Arbor Day by planting five new trees at Santa Fe Park. Placentia City staff and participants of the Cathy Torres Learning Center and the Whitten Community Center after-school programs helped to plant the new trees in honor of the City’s third Arbor Day recognition. West Coast Arborists generously donated the trees, which included two (2) Australian Willows trees and three (3) crepe myrtle trees.





FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY DEPARTMENT

Grilling Fire Safety

Stay fire safe this summer! With the weather warming up, Placentia Fire and Life Safety wants to ensure that the Placentia community stays safe when grilling outside.

- Only use your grill outside. Keep it at least 3 feet from siding, deck rails, and eaves.
- Keep a 3-foot “safe zone” around your grill. This will keep kids and pets safe.
- Open your gas grill before lighting it.
- Keep an eye on your grill, fire pit, or patio torches. Do not walk away from them when they are lit.
- Clean your grill after each use. This will remove grease that can start a fire.
- Place your coals from your grill in a metal can with a lid after they have cooled.

For more information, visit www.usfa.fema.gov.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Beware of Tax Scams!

It's Tax Season and the IRS is reminding taxpayers to be aware that scammers are making phone calls posing as IRS agents and attempting to steal taxpayer money and/or their personal information. Please remember that the IRS will never:

- Call to demand immediate payment using a specific payment method such as a prepaid debit card, gift card, or wire transfer. The IRS will first send a bill to anyone who owes taxes.
- Threaten to immediately bring the police or other law enforcement agency to have the taxpayer arrested for failure to pay.
- Demand that taxes be paid without giving the taxpayer the opportunity to question or appeal the amount owed.
- Call unexpectedly about a tax refund.

Taxpayers who receive these phone calls should:

- Record the number and then hang up the phone immediately.
- Report the call to TIGTA using their IRS Impersonation Scam Reporting form or by calling 800-366-4484.
- Report the number to phishing@irs.gov and be sure to put “IRS Phone Scam” in the subject line.

EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

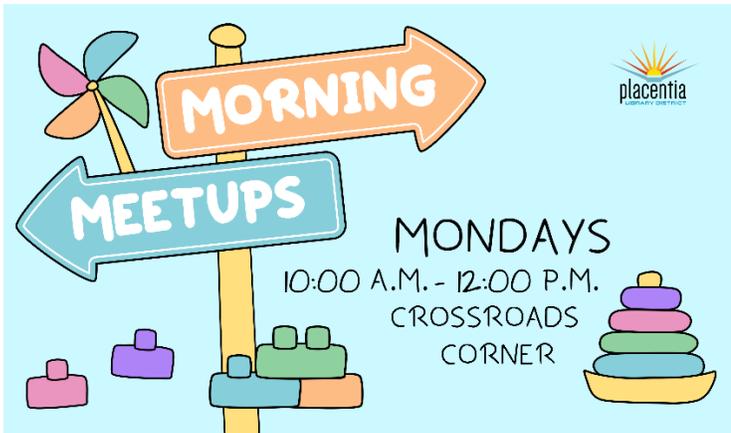
Placentia Library District Weekly Summary

Placentia Library District

Weekly Summary – April 28-May 4, 2023

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Children's Programs



STORYTIMES

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

Family Storytime

Saturday, April 29 @ 10:00 a.m.

Luna, Luna! Bilingual Pajama Storytime

Wednesday, May 3 @ 6:30 p.m.

Miércoles, 3 de Mayo @ 6:30 p.m.

Baby Giggles and Wiggles Storytime

Thursday, May 4 @ 10:00 a.m.

MORNING MEET UPS

Monday, May 1

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.

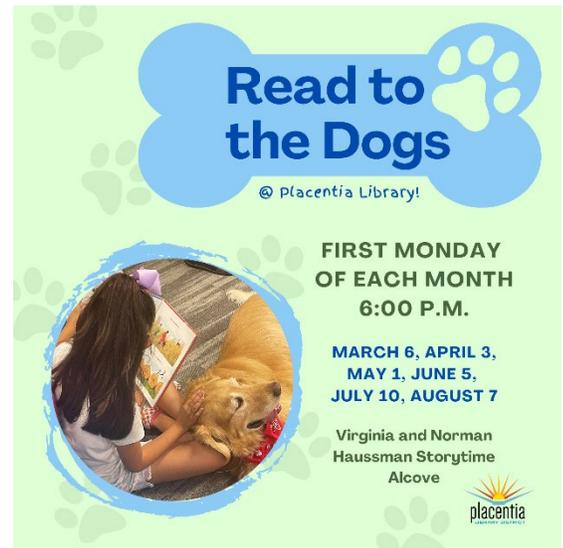
READ TO THE DOGS

Monday, May 1

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

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!



eBooks and Online Learning

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and Learn
with Your
Library**



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Did you know your Placentia library card provides you FREE access to some of the best digital resources, apps and websites available today? Check out our resources page to find your digital library card perks. Connecting is as easy as a few clicks of your mouse.

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: BEADED DAISY CHAINS

Pickup begins May 1, while supplies last
Bring back the '90s with these beaded daisy chains.
Give as a gift, or keep for yourself!



ADULT & TEEN TAKE AND MAKE PREORDER: CROCHET SUNGLASSES CASE

Preorder May 1-7 to pick up in June
Keep your shades safe this summer with this rainbow crochet sunglasses case.

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!
placentia.library.org/hangar-diy-lab

Adult, Teen, and Literacy Programs

LOCAL HISTORY ROOM OPEN HOUSE: PHOTOGRAPHS

Sunday, April 30

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Local History Room

Stop by the Local History Room anytime during open house and explore Placentia's history through featured photographs from our archival collection.

**Local History Room
Open House:
Photographs**

Sunday, April 30
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
placentia.library.org/history-room

**Yoga at
the Library**
with Good Moodra Yoga

Students of all levels welcome.
Bring your own mat!
@placentia.library.org/yoga

GOOD MOODRA

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

YOGA AT THE LIBRARY

Saturday, April 29

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.

BOOK CLUB

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

Next Month: "The Caretakers" by Eliza Maxwell on May 9

Placentia Library Community Meeting Room

PLACENTIA TEEN ADVISORY COUNCIL (PTAC)

1st and 3rd Thursdays of Each Month,

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: May 4

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, April 28

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.



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