

City Administrator's Weekly Briefing

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“Rich Heritage, Bright Future”

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

Spring 2024 CERT Training

Throughout California, many people have seen the catastrophic levels of devastation that often occur from large-scale wildfires, earthquakes, and other natural and human-induced disasters. The immediate confusion and destruction that typically arise from these events initially overwhelm local first responders. To ensure that our residents are ready for a large-scale emergency, Placentia offers CERT training to develop a city-wide group of volunteers trained and willing to respond to large-scale emergencies in their neighborhoods and throughout Orange County. Trained members of CERT often assist their neighbors and neighborhoods in many ways, and each person truly provides invaluable support during large events and emergencies. A free CERT course is offered to the public several times a year to sustain and increase our level of preparedness. These courses are free for Placentia residents. The CERT course provides training in fire suppression, terrorism, search and rescue, disaster medical operations, and disaster psychology. Upon completing the CERT training, each participant will be given the option and resources to further their training to serve their neighbors and neighborhoods. Spring 2024 CERT training dates are planned for Thursday nights in April and May. Tentatively, April 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th, and May 2nd. For more information and to sign up, contact (714) 993-8214 or ppowers@placentia.org.

OC San Video Contest

Lights! Camera! Action! OC San is hosting a video contest for high school and college students to showcase their skills and highlight some of the coolest jobs in the wastewater field. Encourage your family and friends to grab their cameras, phones, GoPros, or whatever they need to create a video featuring their dream careers with OC San! Plus, there's a chance to win a cash prize!

For full details visit www.ocsan.gov/video.



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Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 2/26/24 Placentia Community Foundation
- 2/27/24 Historical Committee
- 3/5/24 City Council Meeting
- 3/12/24 Planning Commission
- 3/13/24 Senior Advisory Committee

For additional

information or

questions about this

Weekly Briefing, please email:

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ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

OC San's Wastewater 101—Citizens Academy

OC San invites you to join the Wastewater 101 - Citizens Academy! You can get the opportunity to learn and understand how 180 million gallons of wastewater gets handled every single day for 2.6 million Orange County residents. The Academy features four virtual workshops over the course of two months. The workshops will be: Who We Are and What We Do, OC San in a Nutshell, Capital Improvement Program, and Environmental Services. The program is available to community members 18 years and older. The first session begins in March 2024. Additional information and registration details can be found at www.ocsan.gov/wastewater101.



Proclamation of Emergency Program for Asian Citrus Psyllid and Huanglongbing

Between May 12, 2023 and December 29, 2023, the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) confirmed the presence of *Candidatus Liberibacter asiaticus* (CLAs), the causative bacterial agent of the citrus disease huanglongbing (HLB), in plant tissue and/or the insect vector Asian citrus psyllid (ACP), *Diaphorina citri* Kuwayama. CLAs-positive plant tissue and/or insect vectors that was located in Cypress. The current emergency program area now includes Placentia.

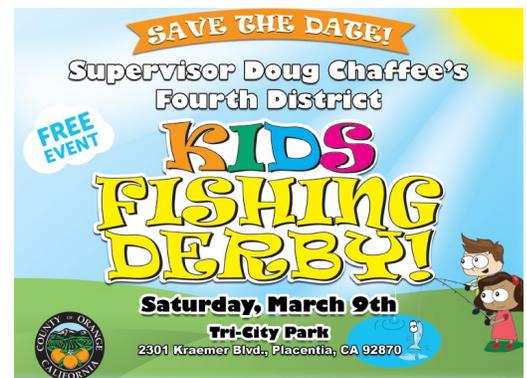
HLB is a devastating disease of citrus and is spread through feeding action by populations of ACP. HLB/ACP present a significant, clear, and imminent threat to California's commercial citrus production, residential citrus plantings, natural resources, and economy. Unless emergency action is taken to disrupt the ACP life cycles, there is high potential for sudden future detections in Orange County. Residents of affected properties will be invited to a public meeting or contacted directly by CDFA staff. Consultation with the California Department of Pesticide Regulation, the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, and the county agricultural commissioner's office will be provided at the public meeting or upon request to address residents' questions and concerns.

Residents will be notified in writing at least 48 hours in advance of any treatment. Following the treatment, completion notices are left with the residents detailing post-treatment precautions. For any questions related to this program, please contact CDFA at (800) 491-1899 for assistance.

Supervisor Doug Chaffee's Fourth District Kids Fishing Derby

Supervisor Doug Chaffee will be hosting his annual spring Kid's Fishing Derby on March 9th from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Tri-City Park, located at 2301 Kraemer Blvd. To RSVP, please visit d4.ocgov.com/fishingderby.

Kids ages 6 to 15 may participate in the Fishing derby. Fishing Rods and bait will be available at no-cost while supplies last. The event is open to residents of the Fourth District, which includes the cities of Brea, Buena Park, Fullerton, La Habra, Placentia, Stanton, and portions of Anaheim.





COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT



HEART Animal Rescue Clinics

The City collaborates with the Healthcare & Emergency Animal Rescue Team (HEART) in providing pet owners with veterinary services. HEART is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to saving lives and improving companion animal health, safety, and welfare. HEART will host a pet clinic this month at Kraemer Memorial Park, 201 N. Bradford Ave., on February 24th. Clinics are by appointment only. To schedule an appointment or for more information please visit www.heart4pets.org.

LOVE Placentia Day of Service—April 20, 2024

Love Placentia is a Service Day opportunity for anyone willing to serve in various service projects throughout the City. This is a great event where churches, local government, businesses, non-profits, and residents partner together for the betterment of the community.

This year, Love Placentia will take place on Saturday, April 20th. The event will kick off at 8:00 a.m. with a rally at El Dorado High School (1651 Valencia Avenue). Then, volunteers will receive their t-shirts, breakfast, and meet their fellow project volunteers before heading to various sites throughout the City from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

For more information or to sign up to be a volunteer, visit www.loveplacentia.com or contact Community Services at (714) 993-8232.

Love Placentia
CITY-WIDE VOLUNTEER DAY

Join Us
 Saturday, April 20, 2024

<p>8:00 am El Dorado High School 1651 Valencia Ave., Placentia</p>	<p>9:00 am - 12:00 pm Projects in Placentia</p>
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Connect with us...
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**CITY OF PLACENTIA
 COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

Now Hiring!

The City of Placentia is looking for motivated team players to join the Community Services Department. Job bulletins are available on the City's website at WWW.PLACENTIA.ORG/JOBS. Applications are not available at Placentia City Hall.

<p>SUMMER AQUATICS PROGRAM</p> <p>LIFEGUARD: STARTING AT \$16.23 PER HOUR Min. Req. Applicant must be age 15 1/2 by June 1, 2024 + CPR and First Aid for professional Rescuer certificates.</p> <p>INSTRUCTOR GUARD: STARTING AT \$17.57 PER HOUR Min. Req. First Aid and CPR for the Professional Rescuer certificates + Water Safety Instructor certificate + CA Driver's License. Applicant must be 16 years old by June 1, 2024.</p> <p>SENIOR INSTRUCTOR GUARD: STARTING AT \$18.69 PER HOUR Min. Req. 2 years experience, graduation from High School or equivalent and completion of college level related coursework + CA Drivers License + Standard First Aid and CPR for the Professional Rescuer Certification + Water Safety Instructor Certified.</p>	<p>SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM</p> <p>COMMUNITY SERVICES LEADER: STARTING AT \$16.00 PER HOUR Min. Req. Knowledge of popular team sports, games, and recreation activities. Prior recreation work experience is desirable. Must be age 15 1/2 by June 1, 2024 + CPR and First Aid certificates.</p> <p>SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICES LEADER: STARTING AT \$18.23 PER HOUR Min. Req. 2 years experience, graduation from high school or equivalent and completion of college level related coursework. + CA Drivers License + Standard First Aid and CPR certifications. Must be age 16 by June 1, 2024.</p> <p>COMMUNITY SERVICES SPECIALIST: STARTING AT \$17.57 PER HOUR Min. Req. 3 years of recreation related work and/or college-level courses. Graduation from high school + First Aid and CPR certificates + CA Driver's License.</p>
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 City of Placentia Community Services Department

Community Services Summer Job Opportunities Now Open

The Community Services Department 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.



POLICE DEPARTMENT

Free Microchip Clinic for Dogs and Cats

OC Animal Care will be hosting a FREE Microchip Clinic for residents on Saturday, February 24th from 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Microchipping is a simple and effective way to ensure that pets can be easily identified and reunited with their owners if they ever become lost. OC Animal Care encourages all pet owners to take advantage of this opportunity to ensure the safety of their furry friends. For more information, please visit www.ocpetinfo.com or call (714) 935-6848.

Placentia PD Partners with Hope Center for Homeless Outreach

This week we began the process of onboarding with the Hope Center. The Hope Center is a centralized hub for service workers and specialized resources to respond in real time to homelessness issues and concerns. The goal is to align homeless outreach efforts and strategies to increase efficiency and provide more reliable relief and consistent support to individuals experiencing homelessness in North Orange County. This will also reduce the number of calls to 9-1-1 and allow officers to respond to true emergencies that require a police response. The Hope Center's mantra is, "Right People, Right Resources, Right Now." Placentia joins Fullerton, Brea, Buena Park, and Stanton as part of this new program, and additional cities will be coming onboard in the near future. Currently the Hope Dispatch Center is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. After-hours requests are responded to during regular hours of operation. You may see the Hope Center outreach vans and Homeless Liaison Officers in Placentia as we integrate with them and they begin to respond to non-emergent homelessness issues. Individuals can now call the Hope Center Dispatch line at (657) 243-1884 to report any non-emergent homeless concerns. Follow our social media pages on [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) to learn more about the Hope Center and the onboarding process for Placentia.



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Citywide Streetlight LED Conversion Project

The City Council recently approved a citywide Streetlight LED Conversion Project in partnership with Southern California Edison (SCE) to convert existing streetlights with new energy-efficient light-emitting diode (LED) lights citywide. The City and SCE will be replacing 3,459 SCE-owned streetlights in the City with LED fixtures using SCE's LS-1 Option E program. Since June 1, 2016, SCE has offered the LS-1 Option E Program, a turn-key program for local governments to replace aging HPSV "cobra head" streetlights with new, more efficient LED streetlights. The City will not have any upfront costs for this project, and the costs are amortized through energy savings over 20 years with zero interest. As a result, the City will realize an annual energy cost savings of approximately \$157,580 for the first 20 years. This equates to cumulative savings of \$3,157,000 over 20 years. The project entails the conversion of all 3,459 SCE-owned streetlights to LED. Of the 3,459 SCE-owned streetlights, 537 are decorative Mission Bell style, located on all the City's arterial streets. Under this project, these streetlights will be replaced with standard cobra head LED fixtures to maintain uniformity throughout the City's streetlight system. This project has the following benefits: improved visibility, longer light life, reduced maintenance, fewer outages, and a significant reduction of electricity needed to power streetlights citywide, resulting in energy and cost savings. The project is expected to begin in late Summer 2024 and be completed by late Fall 2024. If you are an HOA and want to convert the SCE-owned streetlights on your private streets to LED, you may be eligible to participate in SCE's LS-1 Option Program. For more information on this program, please contact the SCE Manager of Street Lights, John King, at john.king@sce.com. The City will provide future updates and information before the project begins. For questions or information on this project, email Senior Management Analyst Elsa Robinson at erobinson@placentia.org.



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Upcoming Bradford Ave Water Transmission Main Project

Golden State Water Company (Golden State Water) will begin road work for their Bradford Ave Water Transmission Main Project starting February 26th. The scope of this project includes the installation of 1,450 linear feet of 12-inch-diameter water transmission main along Bradford Avenue (Crowther Ave to Chapman Ave). In addition, Golden State Water will install 2,000 linear feet of 8-inch-diameter water distribution main at the alley west of S. Bradford Ave (Golden State Water's Chapman Water Plant to Aguirre Ln), Aguirre Ln (alley to S. Bradford Ave), and S. Bradford Ave, replace existing water valves, install fire hydrants, and other water system components. This project will ensure Golden State Water can continue providing reliable water service to local customers. The project is estimated to be completed in October 2024.

The streets will remain open to traffic during the construction period and traffic controls will be in place during construction hours. The work will generally occur on weekdays between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Traffic and parking may be restricted using traffic control, and access to driveways may be limited for short durations of time. Weekly activities such as trash pick-up will not be interrupted. Please expect an increased level of noise during the construction period.

For more information on this project, please [click here](#). If you have any questions or concerns about the construction activities for this project, please contact Golden State Water's Construction Inspector, David Espinoza at (310) 738-3996, and for any other concern after normal business hours, call (800) 999-4033. Please visit Golden State Water's website at www.gswater.com/placentia/infrastructure-projects for periodic updates on the construction progress.

Fiscal Year 22-23 Pavement Rehabilitation Project

As part of the City's annual Pavement Rehabilitation & Maintenance Program, the City Council awarded its latest construction contract for street resurfacing work to RJ Noble Company on October 17, 2023. This year's project entails the rehabilitation of arterial and residential streets totaling 1.4 million square feet. The work includes pavement reconstruction, replacing damaged sidewalks, curbs, and gutters, installing new concrete bus pads, and new signage and striping, including bike lanes. The location of the work includes Kraemer Blvd (Chapman Ave to Yorba Linda Blvd), Orangethorpe Avenue (Placentia Avenue to Kraemer Avenue, Crowther Avenue (Placentia Avenue to 57 Freeway overpass), and Bradford Avenue (Chapman Avenue to Yorba Linda Boulevard).

Road construction is expected to continue through Spring 2024, pending weather delays. The Contractor is currently working on Kraemer Blvd from Chapman Ave to Yorba Linda Blvd and will continue for three weeks. Residents should expect traffic delays or use alternate routes. We appreciate your patience with this temporary inconvenience as we work to complete a long-term improvement. We continue to strive for our "No Street Left Behind" motto to resurface every street in the City and hope to achieve that goal in the next 6-7 years.





DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Ace Hardware is Coming Soon!

The City of Placentia looks forward to Ace Hardware opening this spring! Ace Hardware received approval on November 30, 2023 to establish a store at the 24,000-square-foot space located at 1257 E. Yorba Linda Boulevard, in the Rose Linda Shopping Center. The store will have a dedicated garden center along the front, together with a 1,995-square-foot outdoor retail sales area.

The City's first large-scale hardware store has completed interior demolition and is currently working on exterior façade improvements. The storefront will be renovated with new paint, façade material, lighting, and signage. This will be followed by Westlake Ace's custom outfitting of the interior.



Westlake Ace Hardware is a 117-year-old company with 15 stores in California. Their parent company Ace Hardware has 343 locations in California, and more than 5,600 locally owned stores in all 50 states and 70 countries. The company prides itself as being a positive community member and adheres to the "Ace Helpful Promise" to provide customers with reliable customer service, helpful advice, and products.

The City of Placentia looks forward to Ace Hardware's grand opening! For more information, please contact Development Services at (714) 993-8124.

FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY DEPARTMENT

Join us to Sound the Alarm in Placentia on February 24th

Placentia Fire & Life Safety is partnering with the American Red Cross for the National Sound the Alarm Event on **Saturday, February 24th**. Volunteers will not only be installing smoke alarms but will be providing life-safety education during this event. Since 2014, the American Red Cross has helped install more than 1 million smoke alarms in homes across the country. Working smoke alarms can cut the risk of death from home fires in half.

Volunteers will be installing free smoke alarms in specified areas near Old Town. If you do not live in one of the areas covered by this event and would like to have smoke alarms installed in your home, you can request a free smoke alarm appointment at anytime by visiting the American Red Cross website at www.SoundTheAlarm.org/SoCal or by calling (714) 481-5334.

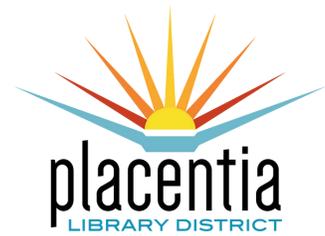


EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

Placentia Library District Weekly Summary

Placentia Library District Weekly Summary: February 23-29, 2024

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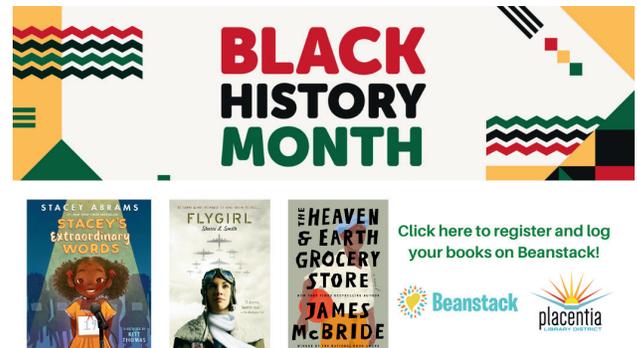
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Black History Month Reading Program

Celebrate Black History Month! Learn more about Black history, celebrate Black authors and illustrators, and explore Black history through the arts. Log your reading and activities throughout the month to earn badges. placentialibrary.beanstack.org



Taylor Swift (Library Version)

Registration and a Placentia Library card are required for all Taylor Swift (Library Version) programs. Taylor Swift programs are open to all ages, and seating is limited.

Priority will be given to Placentia Library Friends Foundation members. PLFF members can register 1 month before a program or event, and general library patrons can register 1 week before a program or event. Space is limited. Check our website or social media for registration and waitlist notices.



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