

# City Administrator's Weekly Briefing

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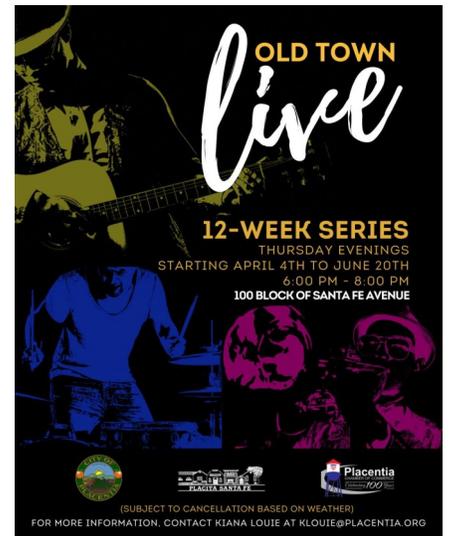
## ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

### Old Town LIVE! Kicking off on April 4th!

The City of Placentia, in partnership with the Placita Santa Fe Merchants Association and the Placentia Chamber of Commerce, is excited to announce a 12-week live music series called Old Town LIVE! The event will take place on Thursday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. **beginning April 4th** through June 20th.

Come by the 100 Block of Santa Fe Avenue to enjoy a variety of music genres from different artists each week. Our lineup features Lou Lagoon Music, Zavala Jazz Soul Posse, Suemy G. Violinist, and much more! We hope to see you there!

The full schedule of events will be released soon. For more information, please contact [klouie@placentia.org](mailto:klouie@placentia.org).



### Apply for City Commissions and Committees

Want to make a difference in your community? Apply for one of our various City Commissions and Committees. The City Council appoints members to advise on various aspects of City life. Whether it's enhancing parks, improving infrastructure, or fostering community engagement, your voice matters! The City is currently seeking applications for vacancies on the Park, Arts, and Recreation Commission, the Heritage Festival Committee, the Historical Society, and the Veterans Advisory Committee. For more information on these Committees and Commissions, [click here](#). To apply, [click here](#) to view the application. For questions, contact the City Clerk's Office at (714) 993-8231.



### Follow Us on Social Media

Stay connected with the City through social media. The City of Placentia utilizes [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [X](#) (formerly Twitter), [LinkedIn](#), and [YouTube](#). Follow the City of Placentia on any of these platforms to stay up to date on the latest news, information, and events in the City.

You can also [click here](#) to watch a recent video with information on all the ways that you can stay connected and up-to-date with everything going on in Placentia.

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### Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 4/2/24 City Council Meeting
- 4/6/24 Coffee With A Cop
- 4/9/24 Planning Commission
- 4/13/24 Shred & E-Waste Recycling Event
- 4/16/24 City Council Meeting

For additional information or

questions about this

Weekly Briefing, please email:

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## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

### Spring Shredding & E-Waste Recycling Event

The City's next free Shredding & E-Waste Recycling Event will be on Saturday, April 13th, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Civic Center, 401 East Chapman Avenue. Residents and businesses are invited to dispose of unwanted electronics and shred confidential documents on-site for free. A maximum of six (6) banker box size containers will be accepted from each household or business in Placentia. Please place items in the trunk for easy access and ensure your containers are free from metals or debris that can damage the shredding equipment. If the documents are in a 3-ring binder, remove it before shredding. Paper clips, staples, rubber bands, and file folders are acceptable. Most electronics that plug into an outlet and any items with a screen will be accepted for free, but there will be a fee for major household appliances. The service charges for major appliances are:

\$10 - Microwaves, Cooling Units (Water Dispensers, Air Conditioners, Personal Refrigerators [wine coolers, mini freezer]); \$20 - Water Heaters, Freezers; \$30 - Washing Machines, Dryers, Dishwashers, Stoves, etc.; \$40 - Refrigerators (Standard 2-3 doors).

Automotive batteries and rechargeable tools and electronics batteries will also be accepted, but smaller household batteries will not. No household hazardous waste such as chemicals, paint, or unused medication will be accepted. To dispose of hazardous waste, visit the nearest Orange County Hazardous Waste Collection Center. To find the nearest location and see a list of acceptable items, visit [www.oilandfills.com/hazardous-waste](http://www.oilandfills.com/hazardous-waste). For more information, contact [recycling@placentia.org](mailto:recycling@placentia.org) or (714) 993-8148.

### Report Missed Trash Pickup

If your trash, recycling, or yard waste was not emptied on your normal collection day, please contact Republic Services within 24 hours of your collection day (including Saturday morning) at (714) 238-3300 to arrange for a make-up collection. Missed pickups are typically collected the next business day, depending on the time of day that Republic was notified. Please leave the cart out so that it can be emptied. If you couldn't resolve service issues with Republic, please contact the City at (714) 993-8123 or [recycling@placentia.org](mailto:recycling@placentia.org). Please provide your name, address, phone number, and a brief description of the issue so that we may address it with Republic Services. When reporting a missed pickup, please make sure to include the following information: Your address, service day, bins missed and whether you're in a home, apartment, or an association community. Please also note if your entire street or community was missing.

We are actively working with Republic Services to improve services in the City. To learn more about waste collection services in the City, please visit [www.placentia.org/solidwaste](http://www.placentia.org/solidwaste).

### Free Sand and Sandbags for Residents

In preparation for the upcoming rain, don't forget that sandbags are available to Placentia residents at the City's Corporation Yard at 2999 E. La Jolla Street, Anaheim, CA 92806, Monday through Thursday from 6:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Proof of residency will be required, and residents must bring their own shovel to fill their bags with sand. Residents may also pick up sandbags at Fire Station No. 2 at 1530 Valencia Ave, Placentia, CA 92870, daily between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Sandbags can be very useful in diverting water, protecting slopes and structures, and assisting in erosion control. Helpful tips: Fill the bag about half full of soil or sand so they are not too heavy to lift and will stack properly; sandbags will rot in the sun; avoid placing them out too early in the storm season; keep plastic sheeting available in case of an emergency. Bags are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Limit 15 bags per person.

A flyer for 'FREE SAND AND SANDBAGS' for Placentia residents. The flyer features a background image of sandbags. Text on the flyer includes: 'FREE SAND AND SANDBAGS', 'available for Placentia residents', 'LOCATIONS:', a list of two locations (City Corporation Yard and Fire Station No. 2), the City of Placentia logo, and contact information: 'For more information, call (714) 993-8131.'



## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

### Upcoming Lane Closures on Imperial Highway

Caltrans has scheduled lane closures on eastbound State Route 90 (SR-90; Imperial Highway) between La Floresta Drive and Rose Drive. Lane closures will be in place from April 1 to April 30, Mondays through Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. At least one lane will remain open for through traffic. These closures are required as part of a project to improve sidewalks along SR-90. Please be advised that during concrete and paving demolition, there will be loud, disruptive equipment noise that may be heard in surrounding homes and apartments.

What to expect:

- Neighborhood street access will remain open
- Pedestrian access will be restricted
- Noise, dust, and vibrations from work activity

Please obey all posted signs and traffic instructions for the safety of Caltrans crews and travelers.

Caltrans appreciates the public's patience while they perform this work. The work schedule is subject to change due to traffic incidents, weather, the availability of equipment and/or materials, and/or construction-related issues. For more information or to receive weekly construction updates via email, contact Robert Johnson at [Robert.W.Johnson@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Robert.W.Johnson@dot.ca.gov).

### State Route 57 at Lambert Road Interchange Improvement Project Completed

After four years, Caltrans has officially reopened State Route 57 at Lambert Road. All Lambert on-ramps and off-ramps have been widened and are fully operational, including the newly constructed Lambert loop onramp. Both directions of Lambert Road from Pointe Drive to State College have been widened to four lanes. The additional lanes on Lambert Road, in conjunction with extra space on the Lambert overcrossing bridge structure will assist in reducing congestion and congestion-related accidents.

## FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY DEPARTMENT



### Hazmat Call

On Tuesday, March 26th, Placentia Fire and Life Safety responded to a call on the 1900 block of Petra Lane for a reported oil spill. Battalion 1 established command and assigned personnel to isolate the substance and prevent it from entering the storm drain. A hazmat team was deployed from Anaheim to assist with the call alongside representatives from OC Health and the Department of Fish and Wildlife.

The Hazmat team tested the substance and determined the best path to remove the hazard.

Between the efforts of Placentia Fire, Anaheim Hazmat, and Placentia Public Works, the materials were absorbed, and a clean-up company was ultimately able to take over the remainder of the street clean-up. Final remediation is still in process at this time.

Placentia Fire is thankful to the Anaheim Hazmat team for their response to the incident, to the Placentia Police Department and Code Enforcement for their assistance with securing the scene and road closures, and to Placentia Public Works for their continued partnership.





## COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

### Parque del Arroyo Verde Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

The City held a ribbon cutting ceremony on Thursday, March 21st at 4:00 p.m. at Parque del Arroyo Verde to unveil the newly renovated equipment. The renovation project included several expanded play lots, a new walkway layout, picnic pavilion, bocce ball court, a zip line apparatus, parking lot improvements, and new irrigation and landscaping. Additionally, the three-play space layout expanded the park core design and added additional park amenities. As part of the Placentia Parks Initiative, the park features a custom “adventure” theme, making it a destination park for families to enjoy. City park renovation projects are either funded through State Grants, Development Impact Fees, or Measure U funding. [Click here](#) to watch a highlight video from the event. For more information on upcoming park projects, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.



### 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 sites throughout the City from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. For more information, visit [www.loveplacentia.com](http://www.loveplacentia.com) or contact (714) 993-8232.

### Community Services Summer Job Opportunities Now Open

The City 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](#) or call Human Resources at (714) 993-8141 for more information.

### Easter Eggcitement Event

The City hosted the annual Easter Eggcitement event on Saturday, March 23rd at Kraemer Memorial Park at 201 N. Bradford Ave. from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The event featured story time, crafts, games, treats, photos with the Easter Bunny, egg hunt areas for youth ages 0-10 years old, and the Rotary Club of Placentia had a hot dog lunch for all in attendance. Despite the rain, the event was a great success!





## COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

### Summer Volunteen Program

Join the Community Services team this summer! The Community Services Department is pleased to announce the Summer Volunteen 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 activities throughout the City. Participants will gain valuable on-the-job training skills, while being a part of a dynamic team this summer! Volunteens 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, 2024 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, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. For more information, please [click here](#) to view the flyer or contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.

## DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

### Santa Angelina Senior Affordable Housing Development

Placentia's newest senior housing development, Santa Angelina, is in the final stages of construction. The Craftsman-style development will feature 64 income-restrictive units, amounting to 54,947 square feet of living space. Housing will be restricted to households earning less than 60% of the area median income (AMI) for Orange County, according to the latest income guidelines established by the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

This property will be owned and operated by the Church of the Blessed Sacrament, located at 1314 N. Angelina Avenue. In partnership with the Church, the National Community Renaissance of California (National CORE) will operate the senior housing.

The architecture is compatible with the surrounding neighborhood and pays homage to Placentia's historical architectural styles. This style will also be compatible with the existing architecture of the Church, which features a modernist gable-style roof, stone veneer façade detailing, masonry columns, and earth-tone hues.

Additional onsite improvements include replacing the Church's Parish Hall with a new Parish Hall, a covered porch, a new children's picnic/lunch area, and a courtyard gathering space west of the Parish Hall. Further improvements include a gathering lawn with benches, an outdoor terrace, and a memorial garden with accent trees between the existing Church building and the new Parish Hall.



The two new residential buildings have been completed, with final detailing and interior outfitting. The landscape improvements have also been completed. In addition, the Parish Hall has since reopened and will host Easter Sunday services this weekend.

The project is expected to be completed by the summer. To receive updates on this project and other developments in the City, contact the Development Services Department at (714) 993-8124.



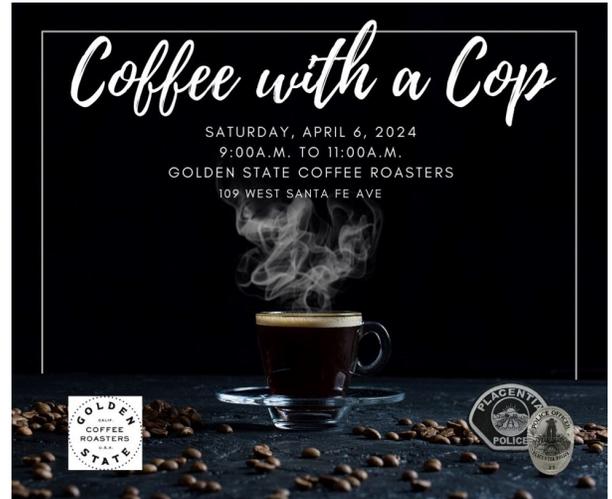
## POLICE DEPARTMENT

### Coffee with a Cop Event—Saturday, April 6th

Join the Placentia Police Department for our first Coffee with a Cop event of 2024! Meet us at Golden State Coffee Roasters, 109 West Santa Fe, on Saturday, April 6th, from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

We encourage the community to join us for an opportunity to meet our Officers, ask questions, raise concerns, and learn more about our Department's operations. Golden State Coffee Roasters will be providing carafes of coffee, and we will be providing conversation.

We look forward to a great event with Golden State Coffee Roasters and our Placentia community!



### Baker to Vegas Race

Over the weekend, our Officers teamed up with La Habra and Brea Officers to compete in the annual Baker to Vegas Race. The Baker to Vegas Race encourages police officers to maintain their physical fitness to help them better perform their duties on the job. Over the last 35+ years, the Challenge Cup/ Baker to Vegas Race has welcomed hundreds of thousands of law enforcement personnel to participate in this run across the desert.

The Race's original ideals of teamwork, camaraderie, physical fitness, and competition continue. However, the event has expanded in many ways, most notably in entries and categories. The number of teams has grown from the first 19 teams in 1985, and it is now up to 300. Categories have also grown to include Probation Officers, District Attorneys, US Attorneys, and full-time civilian police personnel.

Congratulations to our Officers Mendoza, Valdez, Alvarez, and Sgt. MacCubbin for completing the race and knocking 45 minutes off last year's time!

## EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

### Placentia Library District Weekly Summary

# Placentia Library District

## Weekly Summary: March 29 - April 4, 2024

Get ready for the **Solar Eclipse** and the **Taylor Swift Dance Party**! Eclipse glasses are available to Placentia Library Friends Foundation (PLFF) members now and become available for general pickup Monday, April 1, while supplies last. PLFF members can register for the Taylor Swift Dance Party now, and general registration will open April 4, please check our website for registration and waitlist notices. [calendar.placentialibrary.org](https://calendar.placentialibrary.org)

# SOLAR ECLIPSE

### Eclipse Glasses Pickup

Pickup for PLFF members: Starting Monday, March 25

General pickup: Starting Monday, April 1

While supplies last

Information Desk

### Solar Eclipse Viewing Party

Monday, April 8, 9:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Placentia Library Lawn

While supplies last!

Visit [placentialibrary.org/eclipse](https://placentialibrary.org/eclipse) for info



Thursday

APRIL 11

7:00-9:00 p.m.

# TAYLOR SWIFT DANCE PARTY

Placentia Library Main Floor

Space is limited, registration is at [placentialibrary.org/taylorswift](https://placentialibrary.org/taylorswift). Check our website or social media for registration and waitlist notices.

Registration for PLFF members begins March 11

General registration begins April 4

