



City Administrator's Weekly Briefing

April 24, 2025

Administration Department

Support the City's Centennial Celebration by Dining Out in Placentia

The City of Placentia is preparing for a once-in-a-lifetime event—our 100-year Centennial Celebration in 2026! To help make this milestone truly special for our community, the City is partnering with local restaurants to host fundraisers, with a portion of the proceeds going toward the City's Centennial Celebration. To participate, community members will simply visit the participating restaurant on the day of the fundraiser and present the flyer (printed or digital) to their server. To have your business be a part of the fundraiser, contact communityservices@placentia.org or call (714) 993-8232.

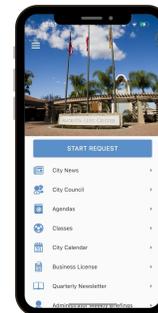
For the first restaurant fundraiser, the City is partnering with FOB, located at 194 E. Yorba Linda Boulevard. The fundraiser will take place on Wednesday, May 14th, from 11:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Simply present this [flyer](#) (printed or digital) to your server, and a portion of your meal will be donated to help support the City of Placentia's Centennial Celebration in 2026. FOB will also donate a portion of the proceeds from all Meal Prep orders placed from May 1st through May 14th. Order meal preps online at www.fobhosp.com and use code PLACITY100 from May 1st - 14th to participate. The City appreciates the participation from our community, and we can't wait to celebrate this special milestone with everyone in 2026. A calendar of events and ways to get involved in the Centennial Celebration will be released soon. Stay tuned on the City's website and social media for more information.

Apply for City Commissions and Committees

Get involved! The City is still accepting applications for the following City Committees and Commissions: **Heritage Committee**, **Senior Advisory Committee**, and **Streetscape and Transportation Advisory Commission**. For more information on City Commissions and Committees, visit the [Committees and Commissions webpage](#) or contact the City Clerk's Office at cityclerk@placentia.org or (714) 993-8231.

Download the iPlacentia App

The City's mobile app, iPlacentia, empowers citizens to easily report non-emergency issues within City limits to City Staff. It also provides on-the-go access to the latest City news and information. The app allows users to quickly submit a description, picture, and location of a City neighborhood issue, such as a streetlight outage, graffiti, or pothole. The report is then submitted to the respective division or department for review. iPlacentia is available for download on all iPhone and Android devices. Simply search "iPlacentia" on the Apple App Store and GooglePlay.



Community Services Department

Neighborhood Services - Prom Dress Giveaway



The Neighborhood Services Office is partnering with HIS-OC and the Princess Project for a prom dress giveaway for teens in grades 9th through 12th. The event will be held Saturday, May 3rd from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Whitten Community Center, located at 900 S. Melrose St. Those who wish to participate must provide a school ID, and a parent or guardian must be present. For more information on this event, view the [flyer](#) or contact the Neighborhood Services Office at (714) 986-2333.

Love Placentia Day of Service - May 3rd

Love Placentia is a Service Day opportunity for community members to volunteer for various service projects throughout the City. This is a great event where churches, local government, businesses, nonprofits, and residents partner together for the betterment of the community. This year, Love Placentia will take place on Saturday, May 3rd. 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 and 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 or to volunteer for a project, visit www.loveplacentia.com or contact (714) 993-8232.

Youth Pledge of Allegiance Program

The City of Placentia offers a unique opportunity for local youth to participate in a long-standing civic tradition through the Youth Pledge of Allegiance Program. This initiative invites local youth civic groups to lead the Pledge of Allegiance at the beginning of a Placentia City Council Meeting, providing an engaging way for students to connect with their community and learn about local government.

City Council meetings are typically held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, located at 401 E. Chapman Avenue. Participating groups are recognized during the meetings, giving students a chance to experience civic engagement firsthand.

Participation is open on a first-come, first-served basis, and interested groups must submit a request at least two weeks before their desired meeting. Once confirmed, City staff will provide additional details to help groups prepare for their visit.

To sign up or learn more, please visit our website and complete the Youth Pledge of Allegiance sign-up form. For questions, contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232 or email communityservices@placentia.org.

Fire and Life Safety Department

Santa Ana College Presentation

This week, the Fire and Life Safety Department continued our commitment to community outreach and education by connecting with the next generation of firefighters. Fire Marshal Amanda Horner and Deputy Chief Api Weinert were invited to speak at Santa Ana College, where they engaged students in the FTC 101 (Intro to Fire Technology) and FTC 104 (Fire Prevention) courses.

Amanda and Api shared their career journeys, experiences in the field, and the day-to-day realities of working in the fire service. Their visit was very well received, so much so that each session extended well beyond its scheduled time due to the students' enthusiasm and questions. Through opportunities like this, our Department hopes to help inspire and shape the firefighters of tomorrow while strengthening connections with local institutions and the broader public safety community. Thank you, Fire Marshal Horner and Deputy Chief Weinert, for representing Placentia Fire and Life Safety.



Police Department

National Drug Take Back Event

The National Drug Take Back event is **this Saturday, April 26th**. It will be a drive-thru event in the Civic Center parking lot at 401 E. Chapman Ave, in the eastern end of the lot behind the Placentia Library.

Too often, unused prescription drugs find their way into the wrong hands, which can be dangerous and often tragic. That's why Placentia PD is partnering with the DEA to offer this opportunity to clean out your medicine cabinets and turn in - safely and anonymously - unused or unneeded prescription drugs.

We are also partnering with Ralphs Pharmacy, and they will be able to collect 'sharps', so if you have needles you need to dispose of safely, you can also do so at this event.

2025 Spring Citizens Academy

For class #5 of our Citizen Academy, we discussed our relationship with the DEA (Drug Enforcement Agency) and how the partnership works. One crucial part is the use of our K9 team to facilitate searches, stops, and arrests. The evening ended with the students meeting K9 Enzo and watching him demonstrate his skills.

Class #6 of our Citizen Academy featured our Traffic Division. Sergeant Garza, Motor Officer McInerney, and Parking Control Officer Chapman discussed the many different duties and responsibilities of the Traffic Division. Participants learned about the goals of education, enforcement, and prioritizing safe roadways in Placentia. The team also brought their equipment for everyone to see and try out. Seeing how our Officers use the Lidar Gun to catch speeding vehicles was especially fun for them.

Class #7 focused on DUI Investigations and Field Sobriety Tests (FSTs). Students were able to see firsthand the effects alcohol has on the brain, the body, and decision-making. Students also tried on 'drunk goggles' that simulate different levels of intoxication and then attempted to perform the required tasks of a FST.



Public Works Department

Free Compost Giveaway

OC Waste & Recycling (OCWR) is excited to host a county-wide Community Compost Giveaway on Saturday, May 3rd, from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Orange County residents are welcome to visit Bee Canyon Greenery (Frank R. Bowerman Landfill) in Irvine, Valencia Greenery (Olinda Alpha Landfill) in Brea, and Capistrano Greenery (Prima Deshecha Landfill) in San Juan Capistrano. Please note that materials are limited at some locations and will be distributed while supplies last. OCWR will be providing ready-to-use compost at no cost. At Bee Canyon Greenery and Capistrano Greenery, residents are encouraged to bring their own containers or heavy-duty yard waste bags and a shovel to collect the compost. At Valencia Greenery, pre-filled compost bags will be available, with a limit of 4 bags per household, while supplies last. This compost, recycled from residential green waste at County landfill greeneries, helps conserve landfill space, protects the environment, and supports our communities. It has been certified with the Seal of Testing Assurance (STA) by the US Composting Council, ensuring top-notch quality. This event aims to provide residents with nutritious compost perfect for backyards and home gardens. The compost pickup locations are:

FRB / Bee Canyon Greenery, 11002 Bee Canyon Access Road, Irvine

OA / Valencia Greenery, 1942 N. Valencia Avenue, Brea

PD / Capistrano Greenery, 32250 Avenida La Pata, San Juan Capistrano

April is Earth Month

Each year, Earth Month is the entire month of April, culminating in Earth Day on April 22nd. This year marks the 55th anniversary of this celebration! Join us in celebrating Earth Month by making eco-friendly choices every day. One of the simplest ways to help the environment is to recycle. Materials like paper, cardboard, aluminum, glass, and plastic bottles can all be recycled. Before you throw your recyclables into the bin, please make sure to rinse them out. This small step helps keep the recycling process efficient and reduces contamination. Place your clean, empty recyclables loosely in the curbside recycling container and avoid using plastic bags, as they can interfere with recycling. For more information on recycling, visit www.placentia.org/Recycling. We can all contribute to a cleaner, healthier planet by recycling properly!

EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

Placentia Library District Weekly Summary: April 24 - May 1

Library Programs, Books, Services, and More

Looking for something to do this week? We always have something going on at the library, from weekly storytimes and teen volunteering opportunities to book clubs and community events! Plus, check out books, video games and movies at the library or access eBooks, eAudiobooks, online learning resources free with your library card and more! Visit www.placentialibrary.org to get started.

Highlights for the Week:

Storytimes

Join us at the library for three amazing Storytimes for children of all ages and their caregivers!

- Luna, Luna! Bilingual Storytime:
Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.
This Week: Wednesday, April 30th



Featured Program:

Adult Craft Night

Last Tuesday of Every Month

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

The Hangar

This Week: Tuesday, April 29th

Join us for our monthly adult craft nights in The Hangar! This new and exciting program will explore different crafts each month and you can learn a new craft skill or improve on your crafting skills! Materials will be provided.

Get Hooked! Crochet and Knitting Circle

Last Sunday of Every Month

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

The Hangar

This Week: Sunday, April 27th

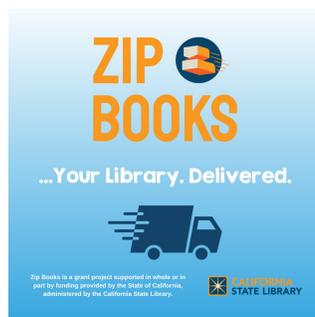
Do you love knitting and crocheting, or would you like to learn? Whether you are a beginner or an expert, come join the fun as we knit, crochet, and learn patterns together. Everyone is welcome. Please bring your own needles, crochet hooks, and yarn. For adults only.



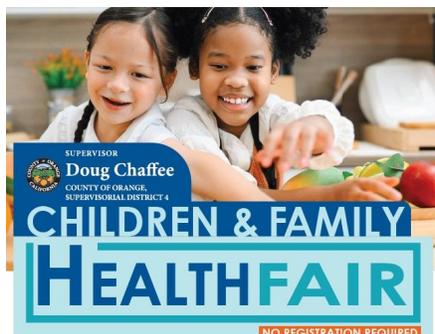
Featured Resource:

Zip Books

Zip Books is a grant-funded project supported in whole or in part by funding provided by the State of California, administered by the California State Library. Get books or audiobooks mailed directly to you! It's free, and books ship directly to your home from Amazon!



Orange County Supervisor Doug Chaffee



Children and Family Health Fair

The Office of Orange County Supervisor Doug Chaffee will host a Children's and Family Health Fair **this Saturday, April 26th**, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Magnolia High School, 2450 W. Ball Road, Anaheim. Residents can receive health screenings and food while supplies last, apply for food, health insurance, and monetary benefits, and visit participating partners to find out more about other services and resources available to them.

SSA will bring its Mobile Response Vehicle and a team of eligibility professionals to assist attendees in applying for public assistance benefits or to answer questions recipients may have about their current benefits. In-language services will be available.

Local folklorico groups will provide entertainment during the event. Celebrity Chef Tue Nguyen will also give a live cooking demonstration and class. For more information on this event, visit d4.ocgov.com/2025-children-and-family-health-fair, call (714) 834-3440, or email fourth.district@ocgov.com.

Orange County Transportation Authority

OCTA Teen Council

The OCTA Teen Council offers high school students in Orange County an opportunity to learn about transportation-related projects. Members focus on building leadership, communication, and teamwork skills. The Teen Council holds an hour and a half long meeting once every other month during the regular school year, beginning in August and ending in May. Members will be introduced to OCTA projects covering diverse subjects affecting Orange County's transportation decisions. These include land use, environmental equity and impact, transportation planning, funding, legislation, marketing, ridesharing, and transit modes. Students will also be able to participate in workshops that will help them with professional development. The deadline to apply is May 31st. Visit www.octa.net/teencouncil for more information and to apply.

Orange County Sanitation District

Looking for a Career with Purpose? OC San is Hiring!

When most people think of wastewater careers, they picture plumbers or pipe crews. But at Orange County Sanitation District (OC San), there's so much more that goes on behind the scenes. OC San is hiring for a wide range of roles, including engineers, accountants, mechanics, operators, risk and safety specialists, welders, and more. Whether you're just starting out or looking for a career change, OC San offers stable, meaningful jobs that support our community every day.

These essential positions help protect public health and the environment and come with great benefits and long-term career potential. We encourage you to explore what OC San offers by visiting ocsan.gov/careers.



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