



City Administrator's Weekly Briefing

February 12, 2026

Administration Department

Presidents' Day City Facilities Closure

City facilities will be closed on Monday, February 16th, in observance of Presidents' Day. City Hall and other City facilities will reopen on Tuesday, February 17th. The Police and Fire Departments remain open during holidays for emergencies. For non-life-threatening emergencies, such as a fallen tree, street flooding, or other public works issues, please call (714) 993-8111. Please note that trash collection will proceed as normal, but street sweeping will be cancelled.

Apply for the 2026 Citizens' Academy!

The City is excited to announce the return of the Citizens' Academy! The Placentia Citizens' Academy is a seven-week educational program designed to empower residents and businesses to learn more about the City, including how our City governance works, how decisions are made, how City resources are allocated, and how departments operate. During this Academy, participants can tour City facilities, ask questions of City leaders, and become more informed and involved citizens.

The Citizens Academy will begin on March 4th and run every Wednesday from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. through April 15th. To participate, you must:

- Be a Placentia Resident or Business Owner.
- Be 18 years of age or older.
- Be interested in enhancing the community and developing your leadership skills.
- Commit to attending all sessions.

All meetings will be in person, and class size will be limited to ensure a great experience. The City is accepting applications through Thursday, February 26th, at 5:00 p.m. View the [application](#) and apply today! For additional information, please call (714) 993-8107 or email ndrulias@placentia.org.

Call for Businesses: Celebrate Placentia's Centennial! Join the 100-Year Celebration

Placentia turns 100 this year, and we want your business to be part of this once-in-a-century milestone! We're inviting local restaurants, bakeries, cafés, breweries, retailers, and businesses of all kinds to create Centennial-themed items, specials, or experiences throughout 2026.

**2026 PLACENTIA
CITIZENS' ACADEMY**

Now Accepting Applications! Apply Today!

	WEDNESDAY EVENINGS 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM MARCH 4TH - APRIL 15TH	The 2026 Placentia Citizens' Academy is a 7-week program hosted by the City of Placentia and open to Placentia residents and business owners.
	CLASSES TAKE PLACE AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT PLACENTIA	

Ask Questions • Meet City Leadership
Tour City Facilities • Become an Informed, Involved Citizen

For more information and to apply, visit www.placentia.org/citizensacademy, email ndrulias@placentia.org, or call (714) 993-8107. Applications are due by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 26th, via email or at City Hall.

Get creative with ideas like Centennial Saturdays, limited-edition donuts or desserts, Centennial drinks, limited-edition products or packaging, or retail specials inspired by 100 years of Placentia. Whether it's food, drinks, merchandise, or something totally unique, we're excited to see your ideas. Participating businesses will receive an official "Centennial Partnership" window decal, promotion through City marketing channels, and recognition as a community partner in this historic celebration.

We'll also encourage residents and visitors to support participating businesses. Be sure to use our official hashtag #Placentia100 and tag the City so we can share your creations. Businesses may participate year-round or during select dates in 2026.

For more information and to participate, email jroberts@placentia.org.

CELEBRATE THE CITY'S CENTENNIAL!
CALL FOR BUSINESSES

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HOW CAN YOUR BUSINESS PARTICIPATE?
Get creative! Here are just a few ideas:

- Centennial Saturdays - special menu items, treats, or discounts
- Centennial-themed cookies, cupcakes, or desserts
- Limited-edition packaging or items featuring our 100-year logo or colors

Whether it's food, drinks, merchandise, or something totally unique, we're excited to see your ideas.

WHAT YOU'LL RECEIVE
Participating businesses will receive:

- An official "Centennial Partner" window decal to proudly display
- Promotion through City website and social media channels
- Recognition as a community partner in this historic celebration

SPREAD THE WORD
We'll encourage residents and visitors to support participating businesses by looking for the Centennial Partner decal and following along on social media. Use our official hashtag: #Placentia100. Tag the City so we can share your creations!

BE PART OF HISTORY
This Centennial is about celebrating our community, our businesses, and our shared story. Join us in making 2026 unforgettable - one cookie, donut, drink, or idea at a time. Interested in participating? Please email jroberts@placentia.org or call (714) 993-8211. Businesses may participate year-round or during select dates in 2026.

We're excited to announce our next participating businesses, **Broken Timbers**, **La Cova**, and **Donut Chain**!

Broken Timbers will be offering its limited-edition Centennial Celebration beer. A Festbier with caramel notes, this beer has a hint of sweetness but finishes clean. It pairs well with a Bavarian soft pretzel or with German sausages. Broken Timbers is located at 116 W. Santa Fe Avenue and is open Tuesdays - Fridays from 2:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m., Saturdays from 12:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m., and Sundays from 12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

La Cova will be offering a Golden Citrus Centennial drink that is available every day. La Cova is located at 1390 N. Kraemer Boulevard and is open Monday - Thursday from 10:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m., Fridays from 10:00 a.m. - 9:30 p.m., and Saturdays and Sundays from 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Donut Chain is offering a special edition Centennial Donut with white frosting and blue and gold sprinkles. This limited-edition donut will be available for purchase on Fridays. Donut Chain is located at 901 E. Yorba Linda Boulevard, and on Fridays, they're open from 5:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



Lead. Serve. Inspire.

Ready to make a difference? The City of Placentia is inviting residents to apply for Commissions, Committees, and District Boards. Your ideas and leadership can help shape the decisions that will guide our city's future.

Open Opportunities:

- Planning Commission
- Streetscape & Transportation Advisory Commission
- Financial Audit Oversight Committee
- Heritage Committee
- Historical Committee
- Senior Advisory Committee
- Veterans Advisory Committee

- Public Financing Authority for the Placentia Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District

Take the Next Step:

Apply now by visiting the [Commissions, Committees, and Agencies webpage](#) or contact the City Clerk's Office at cityclerk@placentia.org or (714) 993-8231.

Community Services Department

Centennial Art Contest

In celebration of Placentia's 100th Anniversary, the City is inviting the community to participate in the **Centennial Art Contest**, themed "100 Years of Placentia." Artists are encouraged to create original pieces that reflect Placentia's history, culture, people, milestones, and future.

The contest is open to Placentia residents and students attending Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District schools, with age divisions for youth, teens, and adults.

Key Dates:

- Contest Opens: February 5, 2026
- Submission Deadline: March 13, 2026 (5:00 p.m.)
- Winners Notified: Week of April 20
- Selected artwork will be recognized as part of the City's Centennial Celebration.

Learn more and [apply](#) today! Contact Community Services at (714) 993-8232 for more information.

Centennial Art Contest
Theme: 100 years of Placentia

Artwork should celebrate Placentia's history, people, culture, milestones, and future.

<h4>Eligibility</h4> <p>Participants must: be a Placentia resident, or attend a Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District School.</p>	<h4>Contest Opens</h4> <p>February 5, 2026</p> <h4>Submission Deadline</h4> <p>March 13 at 5:00 p.m.</p> <h4>Judging</h4> <p>March 17 - April 9</p> <h4>Winners Notified</h4> <p>Week of April 20</p>
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Age Divisions

5 - 12 years	13 - 18 years	18 years +
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Volunteers Needed - Placentia Senior Center

The Placentia Senior Center is seeking volunteers to support our senior community. Opportunities include assisting with activities, special events, and programs, as well as providing friendly support to participants. Volunteering is a rewarding way to give back, meet new people, and make a difference. Flexible schedules are available. For more information, please contact the Placentia Senior Center at (714) 986-2332 or visit the Center in person at the front desk.

Development Services Department

Hudson East Nearly Complete

The Hudson East development, located at 1952 and 1958 E. Veterans Way, is finishing up, with work now focused on completing the fourth and last building. All required building permits for the remaining units have been issued, as the project nears completion.

Developed by Toffoli Investments, this 1.3-acre infill project will deliver 39 for-sale, three-story residential townhomes to the community. The homes feature modern architectural design elements, including second-story patios, exterior façade pop-outs, and a contemporary color palette. New hardscape and landscaping improvements are also being installed to complement the adjacent Veterans Village housing community and enhance the surrounding neighborhood.

Vehicular access to the site is provided from Lakeview Loop, and the development will connect to the future Atwood Trail, planned along the Orange County Flood Control Channel. This trail will improve east-west pedestrian and bicycle connectivity in the area.

The City is proud to support high-quality housing developments like Hudson East that contribute to a vibrant, diverse community. The project remains on track for completion in 2026.

For more information, please contact the Development Services Department at (714) 993-8124.



Police Department

Volunteers in Police Services (VIPS)

The Volunteer In Police Service (VIPS) program is a valuable asset to the Placentia Police Department, local businesses, residents, and the community as a whole. By volunteering, VIPS provide the community with their unique experience, wisdom, and talents. They also provide police officers with additional eyes and ears to keep neighborhoods family-friendly, safe, and clean. Volunteers perform non-hazardous tasks both in the field and in police facilities. VIPS are required to commit to a minimum of 16 hours per month and be able to attend the Citizens' Academy. For more information or to apply, go to our website www.placentia.org/police or contact Kelley Krahlung at (714) 993-8179 or kkrahlung@placentia.org.

You Are Not Alone (Y.A.N.A.)

Y.A.N.A. is a free service offered by the Police Department for residents in Placentia. If you or someone you know is a senior citizen, disabled, lives alone, is homebound, or needs someone to check in on you, you can register for our Y.A.N.A. program, and our VIPS will work with you to create a regular schedule to contact you. This program offers peace of mind and a sense of security for those who enjoy their independence but need someone to check in on them from time to time. Email or call Community Outreach Coordinator Kelley Krahlung at kkrahlung@placentia.org or (714) 993-8179 to learn more about the Y.A.N.A. program and how you can sign up.

Vacation Home Checks

If you are planning to travel, don't forget that our Volunteers in Police Service are available to perform Vacation Home Checks for Placentia residents. To request this FREE service, please complete and submit the [online form](#) available on the City website at least FIVE days before your trip. Alternatively, the forms are available at the front counter of the Police Department. One of our VIPS will contact you to finalize the arrangements. If you are interested in becoming a VIPS or would like further information, please contact Kelley Krahlung at kkrahlung@placentia.org or (714) 993-8179.

Public Works Department

Recycle Your Old Mattress This Presidents' Day Weekend

Presidents' Day weekend is one of the busiest times of year for mattress sales. While many residents take advantage of holiday deals to upgrade their sleep, the increase in new purchases can, unfortunately, lead to illegal dumping of old mattresses. The good news is that mattresses are recyclable. Many of their components, like metal springs, foam, fibers, and wood, can be recovered and repurposed. There are convenient, free options for properly recycling your unwanted mattress.

If you're planning to shop for a new mattress this Presidents Day weekend, remember there are easy ways to keep your old one out of the landfill and off our streets.

Curbside Pickup Option - The City's franchise waste hauler, Republic Services, offers free curbside pickup for bulky items, including mattresses. Placentia residents may schedule up to 3 bulky-item pickups per calendar year at no charge, with a limit of 10 items per pickup. To schedule a collection, contact Republic Services Customer Service at (714) 238-3300.

Drop-off Option - Orange County residents may also bring unwanted mattresses and box springs to the Olinda Alpha or Prima Deshecha landfills for proper recycling. Mattresses must not be covered or mixed with trash or other waste. For more information, contact OC Waste & Recycling at (714) 834-4000.

To learn more about mattress recycling, retailer take-back programs, and additional resources, visit ByeByeMattress.com.

Presidents' Day Trash and Street Sweeping Schedule

Please note that trash pickup will proceed as normal, but street sweeping will be cancelled on February 16th due to the holiday.

Temporary Full Closure of Golden Avenue Bridge Begins Feb. 19

The City will begin construction on the Golden Avenue Bridge Replacement Project on Thursday, February 19, requiring a full closure of the Golden Avenue Bridge in both directions through Friday, September 11. This closure is necessary to safely complete significant infrastructure improvements to the bridge and surrounding roadway.

The closure will affect only the bridge. Access to homes and properties along Golden Avenue will not be affected.

Location: Golden Avenue Bridge

Detour Routes: Valencia Avenue, McCormack Lane, Bastanchury Road, and Rose Drive

Schedule Note: Construction schedules are subject to change due to weather or other operational factors.



This project will modernize the existing bridge and includes the addition of two 12-foot vehicular lanes, new sidewalks, bike lanes, a striped median center, hand railings, and comprehensive grading, drainage, utility, and roadway improvements, resulting in safer and more efficient travel for motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians.

For additional information, contact Gabriel Guerrero-Gabany at (714) 993-8250 or gguerrero-gabany@placentia.org.

The City appreciates the community's patience and cooperation as we invest in critical infrastructure improvements that will benefit Placentia for generations to come.

EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

SoCalGas

SoCalGas Scholarship Program Now Open - Apply by February 26

High school seniors in the community can apply for financial support for their college education through the SoCalGas Scholarship Program, now open and accepting applications through February 26, 2026.

The program awards \$5,000 scholarships, with the opportunity to renew for up to 3 additional years, totaling \$20,000 over 4 years of undergraduate study.

Eligibility Requirements:

Applicants must meet all of the following criteria:

- Be a high school senior with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher (on a 4.0 scale or equivalent)
- Reside within the SoCalGas service territory
- Plan to attend a full-time undergraduate program at an accredited four-year college or university in the U.S. for the 2026–2027 academic year
- Intend to major in an eligible field such as Science, Technology, Engineering, Math, Finance, or Accounting. *Please note: Medical-related majors are not eligible.*
- Demonstrate financial need

For more information about how to apply, visit [SoCalGas Scholarship Program](#).

Placentia Library District Weekly Summary: February 13 - February 19

Library Programs, Books, Services, and More

Looking for something to do this week? We have everything 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:

Baby Giggles and Wiggles Storytime

Fridays, 10:00 a.m.

Virginia and Norman Haussman Storytime Alcove

This Week: Friday, February 13

Join us for a storytime filled with delightful stories, playful bounces, and engaging songs. Perfect for little ones and their caregivers, this is a wonderful opportunity to bond, explore, and set the stage for building early literacy skills! Open to children 0-3 years with a caregiver.

Featured Program:

Family Storytime

Saturdays, 10:00 a.m.

Virginia and Norman Haussman Storytime Alcove

This Week: Saturday, February 14

Get ready to kick off the weekend with Family Storytime! All families are invited to join us on Saturday mornings. We'll read aloud fun stories, sing and dance to favorite tunes, learn new rhymes and fingerplays, and make silly crafts. All ages are welcome!



Plushie Pals: Valentine's Day Workshop

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

Community Meeting Room

This Week: Saturday, February 14

This Valentine's Day, children are invited to join us for a heartwarming, hands-on workshop where they'll create their very own stuffed plushie. Children will randomly choose from a variety of soft, pre-sewn plushie animals and bring them to life by filling them with fluff and adding a special heart insert. Children will bring home their new plushie, complete with a birth certificate, to love and cherish. Registration required:

PLFF Member Registration dates will be January 25-31.

General library members February 1-7.

Seating is limited; early registration is recommended!

Library Closure for Presidents' Day

This Week: Monday, February 16

The library will be closed on Monday, February 16. You can still access our digital resources anytime, including Libby, hoopla, and The Palace Project.



Tiny Art Show: Tiny Art Show

This Week

Kit Drop Off

Painting Drop Off: By Sunday, February 15, by 5 p.m.



Exhibit: February 19-28

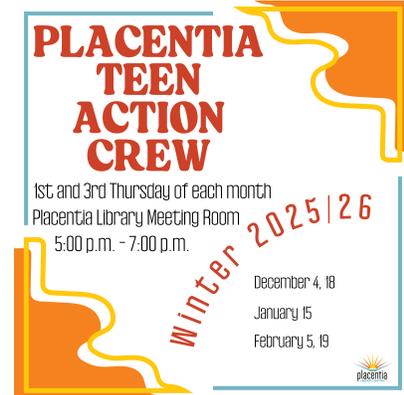
The winner in each category will be announced in the first week of March. Display your artistic talents at our Tiny Art Show! Pick up one of our Tiny Art Kits to create your entry. Kits include: a 3" x 3" canvas, an easel, acrylic paint, and a brush. Once you've finished, return it to the library by February 15 to be part of the exhibit and have a chance to win prizes! Ages 2+.

Placentia Teen Action Crew (PTAC)

First and Third Thursday of Each Month
 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
 Community Meeting Room

This Week: Thursday, February 19

The Placentia Teen Action Crew is open to all high school students interested in gaining community service experience, volunteer hours, and leadership skills through planning and supporting library events.



**Featured Resource:
 Library of Things (LOTs)**

Check out a sewing machine, popcorn machine, guitar, Nintendo Switch and more from your library - for free! Our Library of Things collection has a range of items including household tools, arts and craft items, laptops and more that you can check out for a free 2-week checkout with your adult Placentia Library card.

For more information, visit www.placentialibrary.org/library-of-things.

Orange County Supervisor Doug Chaffee

As we strive to safeguard our community, especially our seniors, from the growing threat of scams, we invite you to join Supervisor Doug Chaffee, San Diego Seniors Community Foundation, the City of Anaheim, and Wells Fargo for an important event: Elder Fraud Prevention.

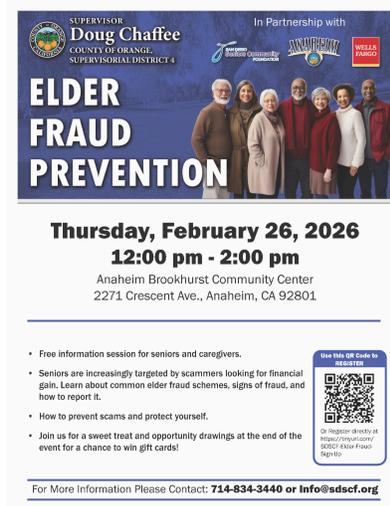
Date: Thursday, February 26, 2026
Time: 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Location: Anaheim Brookhurst Community Center, 2271 Crescent Ave., Anaheim, CA 92801

This event will provide you with vital information on how to avoid becoming a victim of scams. Attendees will learn about common elder fraud schemes, signs of fraud, and how to report it.

Your safety and security are our top priority. This event is a must-attend if you want to stay informed and protect yourself from these deceptive practices. There will be an opportunity drawing at the end of the event for a chance to win a gift card.

Register via the web form, <https://tinyurl.com/SDSCF-Elder-Fraud-Sign-Up>.

If you have questions about the event, please call (714) 834-3440.



Placentia Round Table Women's Club

Attention graduating seniors from Placentia Yorba Linda School District high schools! The Placentia Round Table Women's Club is offering scholarships to help you pursue your dreams in trade school or college.

Why Apply? With a simple application process and a minimum GPA requirement of 2.0, this scholarship is accessible to students pursuing a variety of educational paths, whether trade school, community college, or a four-year university.

How to Get Started: Pick up an application from your school counselor or download it from [PlacentiaWomensClub.org](https://www.placentiawomensclub.org).

Deadline: March 27, 2026.

The Placentia Round Table Women's Club is committed to supporting local students as they take the next step in their education. The straightforward process makes it easy to apply for financial support that can make a real difference in achieving your goals.

For more information, visit [PlacentiaWomensClub.org](https://www.placentiawomensclub.org). Don't let this opportunity pass you by. Apply today!

American Legion Post 277 - Placentia

BINGO Night - Supporting our K9 Heroes

Join the American Legion Post 277 for a fun and meaningful evening at BINGO Night on Sunday, February 22, from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at American Legion Post 277 (230 South Bradford Avenue, Placentia). This special fundraiser will benefit the Placentia Police Canine Foundation, which supports the K9 teams of the Placentia Police Department. Proceeds help offset the ongoing costs of the K9 program and ensure these teams have the training, equipment, and resources they need to stay mission-ready and serve the community safely. The evening is made even more special through a community partnership with Sham-Paw's Self Service Dog Wash, generously supporting and running BINGO Night at the Post.

Event highlights include:

- \$20 for 10 games of BINGO
- Raffle tickets: \$1 each or \$20 for 25
- Food available for purchase (No Host Bar)
- Great prizes, community spirit, and lots of fun!

Everyone is welcome (18+ preferred). Bring your friends, family, and neighbors for a night of excitement while supporting the four-legged heroes who serve alongside Placentia PD every day.

For more information: americanlegion.placentia@gmail.com or (714) 996-2190.

Let's pack the house and show our appreciation for the K9 teams who help protect our community!



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