

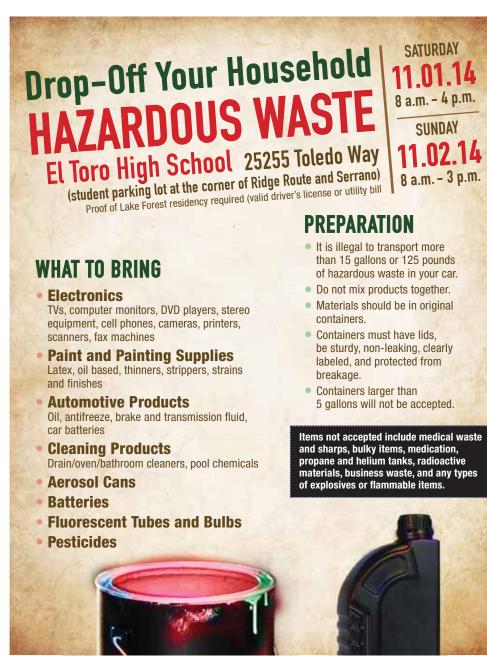
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Pick Up Your Community Calendar at City Hall Starting December 8 Thank you to all those who participated in the calendar contest

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CITY MANAGER'S



Message

The fourth annual 2014 Shop & Dine Lake Forest Week received rave reviews from businesses and shoppers alike, with over 400 participating Lake Forest businesses – a 25% in-

crease from last year. From restaurants to specialty services, shoppers and diners took full advantage of amazing deals and discounts all week long. The week kicked off with over 2,000 community members gathered at the "Super Savings Launch Party" filled with entertainment and raffle prizes, and wrapped up at the Taste of Lake Forest where 29 local restaurants shared delicious food samples. The City thanks all those who contributed to making this year's event a huge success.

Even though Shop & Dine Lake Forest Week is over, supporting our local economy is a year round effort. By shopping and dining in Lake Forest, we're generating and keeping sales tax dollars in the community to help fund City services such as public safety, recreational programs and activities, and improvements in your neighborhood. With your participation, we're building a strong community, creating local jobs, and supporting our local businesses.

With the holidays around the corner, hold on to your coupon booklet! Many of the deals are valid through the end of the year and would make wonderful gifts! Speaking of gifts, the gift of service can make a world of difference including the gift of service. Share your holiday spirit by donating canned foods, toys, and books for the families of the Lake Forest U.S. Marine Corps Unit (see page 8). As we prepare to close out another great year, we will start 2015 with a fresh look for *The Leaflet*. Be on the lookout for our newly redesigned newsletter in late January. The City wishes everyone a safe and happy holiday!

Sincerely,

Robert C. Dunck

Robert C. Dunek, City Manager

Congratulations

To Jackie Warrick, the second winner of the Sports Park Frenzy Contest! Enjoy your gift basket filled with goodies. If you have a story to share about the Sports Park, email chon@lakeforestca.gov before January 3.

We cannot wait until this beautiful Sports Park is open! We have been watching the progress via Facebook and can't believe how much is being done so quickly. My family has grown up in Lake Forest. Our family has been living on these grounds since the 1940s. When my grandfather had a farm, it was on the same soil as the Sports Park. In the 1970s, he also managed a property directly across the street from the Sports Park when there was nothing but orange groves, eucalyptus trees, and a few other farms.

Every day, my nephew asks if "his" park is opened yet. He is patiently waiting for the park to open so he can start playing baseball, basketball, and we'll see what else he gets into. We are all waiting to build new friendships, teammates, and most of all, family memories to share with our kids. Thank you for all your dedicated time in building this wonderful Sports Park for our community!

Upcoming City Council Meeting Dates

City Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday of every month starting at 7:00 p.m.

- Tuesday, November 4
- Tuesday, November 18
- Tuesday, December 2
- Tuesday, December 16

Sports Park News

- ports Park & Recreation Center opens its doors to the public on November 1.
- ublic WiFi is available in the Recreation Center and throughout the park.
- ptiplex computers ready for use in the computer lab.
- eserve sports fields and amenities for games and gatherings with Rob Gaylord at rgaylord@lakeforestca.gov.
- eam up with peers and play basketball at lunch between 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on one of two basketball courts.
- ummer 2015 will bring movie nights and summer concerts at "The Commons."
- icnic with friends and family or use one of eight BBQ grills.
- dult softball debuts in Spring 2015. Contact Josh Lainfiesta at jlainfiesta@lakeforestca.gov to enter a team or get on the interest list.
- ecreation Center offers a variety of meeting and activities rooms for non-profit organizations. Contact Ron Rivera at rrivera@lakeforestca.gov to reserve a room.
- iosks are available to pay and register for recreation classes. Registration for classes and programs are now done at the Sports Park.



Budget-At-A-Glance

FY 2014-15 General Fund Budget

Commitment to the Community

Lake Forest continues to deliver on its strong reputation for conservative fiscal planning. In FY 2014-15, the City is operating on a \$0.9 million surplus. As we continue to judiciously manage our capital funds and live within our financial means, we will continue to make investments in delivering important public projects, community programs, and services to ensure the City remains a vibrant community.

General Fund Revenues FY 14-15 Adopted Budget

Sales Taxes	\$13,550,000
Property Taxes	\$8,166,000
Other Taxes	\$6,492,000
Hotel Taxes	\$2,950,000
User Fees(permit fees and recreation programs)	\$2,414,700
Franchise Fees	\$2,300,000
Licenses & Permits	
Miscellaneous	\$803,200

Total Revenues

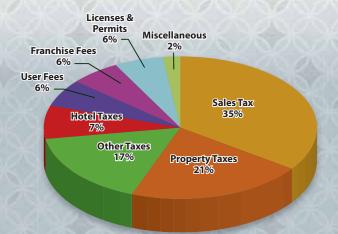
\$38,932,700

General Fund Expenditures FY 14-15 Adopted Budget

Police Services	\$14,121,200
Public Works	\$9,082,000
Management Services	\$4,181,400
Community Services	\$3,332,900
Development Services	\$2,977,200
Economic Development/	
Community Preservation	\$1,128,000
City Attorney (legal services)	\$1,318,000
Finance	\$1,077,000
City Manager's Office	\$660,100
City Council Office	\$145,300

Total Expenditures

\$38,023,100



Revenues "Where the Money Comes From"

Budget Priorities

- Complete the largest public project thus far in the City's history Lake Forest Sports Park and Recreation Center.
- · Continue to maintain a financially sound budget.
- Enhance recreational opportunities with increased programming.
- Deliver a new, attractive, and user-friendly City website that promotes communication and information sharing.
- Ensure public safety remains a priority and continue offering Community Policing Programs, and expand the Adopt-A-School program.
- Maintain City streets and improve traffic signal synchronization to improve traffic flow citywide.
- Hold business seminars, identify partnerships, and offer webbased resources to promote business attraction, retention and expansion.
- Approve the Consensus Master Plan for the Village Pond Park renovation project.

Balanced Budget

\$38.9 million
Total Budget

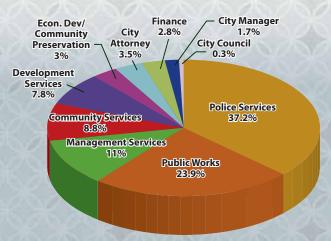
The balanced budget keeps Lake Forest on track as we continue to provide high quality services and deliver important capital projects.

Save for a Rainy Day

Reserve funds will protect Lake Forest against unexpected interruptions in revenues.

\$19.4 million

Fully Funded Reserves (General Fund & Emergency Fund)



Expenditures "Where the Money Goes"





GLASSGlass jars, glass bottles.



PLASTIC

Clothes hangers, beverage containers, plastic toys, detergent containers, plastics labeled #1-7, and grocery and dry cleaning bags (must be tied together).



METAL

Empty aerosol and paint cans, aluminum cans, aluminum foil, tin cans, and food cans.



PAPER

Junk mail, magazines and newspapers, phonebooks, cereal and cracker boxes, computer paper, and other paper or cardboard products.



TEXTILES

Clothing, shoes, linens, and towels (must be bundled and tied together into one bag).



NOT ACCEPTED:

Wax paper, automotive parts, plumbing parts, ceramics, mirrors, safety glasses, batteries, liquid paint, and electric waste.



NOT ACCEPTED:

Fluorescent tubes, light bulbs, medical waste.

*Require special handling and cannot be disposed in trash or recycling bins.

For a complete list of recyclable items, visit www.crrwasteservices.com.

New Signage and Outdoor Promotion Opportunities Workshop

Wednesday, December 3 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Lake Forest City Hall, 25550 Commercentre Drive

The City is committed to facilitating the success of its business community and enhancing their advertising and promotional opportunities available to Lake Forest businesses. The City is hosting a "New Signage and Outdoor Promotion Opportunities Workshop" to share information regarding new standards. Learn about the increased amount of time temporary signage can be displayed and the types of temporary signage allowed, including banners, window signs, storefront sign boards, and other temporary outdoor promotions. Register with the Economic Development/Community Preservation Department at 461-3567 or by email at *economicdevelopment@lakeforestca.gov*.

Traffic Education Forum

If you missed the City's traffic education forums held this summer, check out the video presentation on the City's website (www.lakeforestca.gov). Also, don't forget to take a brief traffic survey.

Winter Weather's First Flush

ow that winter is here, so is the first flush - the first significant rainfall after a long period of dry weather. Heavy rainfall can flush months of accumulated pollutants such as litter, pesticides, fertilizers, motor oil, and pet waste from your outdoor areas into our storm drains. Water that flows through storm drains is not treated before it enters our local creeks, lakes, bays, and the ocean. Help reduce storm water pollution and improve the health of our local water resources with these few tips:

- Don't over fertilize the yard or apply fertilizer within 48 hours prior to a forecasted rain event.
- Ensure that all hazardous materials stored outdoors are properly covered or in watertight containers.
- Utilize the rain delay function on the irrigation controller.
- Apply mulch to landscape as it can eliminate or limit topsoil erosion, preserve moisture, suppress weeds, and is aesthetically appealing.
- Adjust irrigation times for the season.
- Remove leaves and debris from the gutter and dispose in a green waste or trash container.
- Pick up pet waste and dispose in the trash or the toilet.

The City has partnered with other Orange County agencies to develop an online resource/web-page at www.overwateringisout.org. Additional information and assistance can be found at your local water district: El Toro Water District – http://www.irwd.com/; Trabuco Canyon Water District – http://www.trwd.ca.gov.



24-Hour Water Pollution Hotline (877) 89-SPILL

For more information, contact the Public Works Department at 461-3480.





3 Feet for Safety Law Gives Room for Cyclists to Ride

If you're driving past a cyclist, remember that a new state law requires at least 3 feet of passing space between your vehicle and the cyclist to prevent and reduce car-bicycle crashes.

Recreation/Events Calendar

December 2014/January 2015

DECEMBER

North Tuesday-Thursday Pole Calling 2-4

6:30-8:30 p.m.

Lake Forest Recreation Center (28000 Rancho Pkwy.)

Fee: Free for Lake Forest residents

Pre-registration required

33rd Annual Saturday Victorian 6 Christmas

11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Heritage Hill Historical Park (25151 Serrano Rd.)

Fee: \$4 adults/\$3 children (ages 3-12)

Breakfast Saturday and Brunch with Santa 6

8:30-10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Lake Forest Recreation Center (28000 Rancho Pkwy.)

Fee: \$6 per person (children 3 and older must be registered)

Pre-registration required



Etnies Skatepark 11th Anniversary Celebration 7:00-9:00 p.m. Etnies Skatepark of Lake Forest (20028 Lake Forest Dr.) Fee: Free admission

29th Saturday/Sunday Annual **13&14** Candlelight Walk

5:30-8:30 p.m.

Heritage Hill Historical Park (25151 Serrano Rd.)

Fee: \$4 adults/ \$3 children (ages 3-12)



JANUARY

Friday Night at the Movies: "Chef" (R)

Friday 9

6:30-9:30 p.m. (Movie begins at 7 p.m.)

Lake Forest Community Center (25550 Commercentre Dr.)

Fee: \$5 per person

Pre-registration required





Saturday, January 24

11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

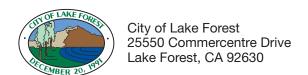
Pittsford Park (21701 Pittsford Dr.)

Fee: \$5 per sledder (pre-registration required)

Additional activities for nominal fee

Save the Date! Resident spring registration begins 8 a.m. on Tuesday, February 10, 2015.

For more info on any of these activities, call Community Services at 461-3450.



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Important City Telephone Numbers

OC Animal Care 249-5160 Building Division 461-3470 Building Inspection. . . . 461-3468 City Council 461-3420 City Manager's Office . . . 461-3410 Community Policing Center 461-3530 Community Preservation 461-3474 Etnies Skatepark......916-5870 Graffiti Hotline 461-3583 Public Works 461-3480 Economic

IMPORTANT CITY WEBSITES

City www.lakeforestca.gov

Economic Development www.lakeforestbusiness.com

Etnies Skatepark of Lake Forest www.etniesskatepark.com



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"EXPAND THE FOREST"

The Expand the Forest program allows members of the community to dedicate trees in memory of departed loved ones or to commemorate special occasions while encouraging the expansion of our urban forest. Trees are \$70 and are planted and maintained by the City. There are several different species of approved trees which may be planted in several City parks.

For more information, please call the Public Works Department at 461-3480.

Share the Holiday Spirit with the Lake Forest U.S. Marine Corps Unit and their Families

Show your support to the Lake Forest U.S. Marine Corps 1st Law Enforcement Battalion and their families during the month of November. Residents can drop off toys and books for the 300 children of the Marine Corps unit as well as canned food goods that will be distributed among the families of the unit. Donations will be accepted at Lake Forest City Hall – 1st Floor Reception at 25550 Commercentre Drive. For more information or questions regarding the campaign, visit www.lfusmccommittee.org.

Fair Housing

n impediment to fair housing opportunity is any policy or practice that denies or adversely affects the provision of housing to



a person in any protected class. Examples of a protected class include minorities, elderly, and disabled persons. As a recipient of annual Federal Community Development Block Grant funds, the City of Lake Forest is committed to furthering fair housing practices in the community and cooperates with the Fair Housing Council of Orange County to eliminate discriminatory practices county-wide. Fair Housing opportunity is the law. If you or someone you know has a fair housing question or issue that needs to be addressed, please call the City's Housing Manager at 461-3471.