ANTELOPE VALLEY HEALTHCARE DISTRICT
improves the quality of health in our community through research, education and innovation.

We care for you and are here to meet your needs with our:

- Certified Advanced Primary Stroke Center
- Complete cancer care
- Designated Baby Friendly birth facility
- Fastest heart attack care in L.A. County
- Women & Infants Pavilion

We are also a Joint Commission Top Performer in heart attack, heart failure, pneumonia, surgical care and perinatal care.
Message from the Palmdale City Council

Can you believe it is 2020 already? Doesn’t it seem like we were just turning from 1999 to 2000 and wondering how Y2K was going to play out? As the old saying goes, time flies when you’re having fun — and we’re having a lot of fun and doing a lot of great things in Palmdale.

There’s so much happening in 2020 that it would fill this entire magazine if we listed it all. General Plan, Census 2020, new business opportunities, summer concerts, transportation developments — you name it. It’s all happening right here in Palmdale and we want you to be a part of it.

Your participation is critical to our City’s success. There are many ways that you can participate and be connected to what’s going on so that you’re in the know and your voice may be heard. You can come to City Council and Planning Commission meetings, which are held monthly. If you can’t make it to the meetings, you may watch them on Spectrum Channel 27 or on the City’s website, www.CityofPalmdale.org.

We realize that our residents have busy lives and may not be able to attend meetings during the week, so we’ve created several ways for you to stay connected. Our website, social media pages, newsletters, and television station all provide up-to-date information about what’s happening in Palmdale.

Of course, a great way to get involved is to volunteer. We have many opportunities, including this year’s Season of Service events, for you to be part of making Palmdale an even better place to call home.

As we move forward into 2020, your City Council looks forward to engaging with you. Feel free to contact us by phone or email anytime.
Letter from the City Manager

Dear Resident,

As I sat down to draft my first message to the community, I was torn between writing about all of the exciting projects that are upcoming in 2020, or something more personal. Since this may be the first time you have heard from me, I thought it would be nice to share some of my story that lead me to the City of Palmdale.

Born and raised in Philadelphia, I grew up in a blue-collar family where my mother was a secretary and my father was a Philadelphia police officer. I was the first person in my family to graduate from college and then graduate school. I enrolled in the Air Force ROTC program during graduate school and after finishing school, I was commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States Air Force.

My Air Force career brought me around the world and enabled me to serve with some of country’s finest servant leaders. After I left active duty, I transitioned to the Air Force reserves where I volunteered to be mobilized once and deployed twice. I spent 17 of my 20-year career in emergency management coordinating search and rescue in the U.S., Africa (2008) and Haiti (2010).

After leaving active duty I transitioned to the assistant city administrator in Wilkes-Barre, PA where I had previously worked in college and graduate school. I was promoted to city administrator in Hobbs, New Mexico, and finally came here to Palmdale as the assistant city manager in April 2018. In each of these locations I served with incredible teams that delivered significant results. I loved my time in local government and have never looked at it as a job, but as a true calling.

You should know, I am not going to be sitting in a chair often. I try to be actively engaged and I have been, and will continue to be, out and about in the community. I will work tirelessly with the Mayor, City Council, staff and community to make a positive difference.

Finally, what drives me is my family. I have five daughters ages 19, 18, 15, 14 and 9, and a devoted wife who is a public school teacher in Palmdale.

I hope you enjoy the first magazine of 2020 and if our paths cross, never hesitate to give me your feedback on what you think we can be doing better.

I am truly honored to be your city manager, and I want you to know we have a dedicated workforce who inspires me daily. My goal is to have the City of Palmdale known as one of the most customer driven and business friendly communities in the nation.

Happy New Year! 2020 is going to be a great year.

Sincerely,

J.J. Murphy
City Manager
Let’s Eat!

Several new eateries have recently opened or will open soon in Palmdale, offering a wide range of palate-pleasing entrees and sweets.

Bluemaki Sushi, 39409 10th St. West, opened in the former Big Tuna location. They offer fresh sushi, handrolls, sashimi, ramen, and more. (Big Tuna moved to Restaurant Row next to BJ’s Restaurant & Brewery at the Antelope Valley Mall.) Speaking of ramen, Love Ramen will be dishing out their take on this popular dish soon at their new location coming soon at 38029 47th St. East, Suite B.

For sandwich lovers, Firehouse Subs has reopened at 1113 W. Rancho Vista Blvd. after a brief closure. Their menu includes a variety of hot and cold subs made with premium meats and cheeses. On the eastside, Jon Smith’s Subs, 38029 47th Street East, Suite C, is under new ownership and is committed to serving the highest quality, large portioned, mouthwatering subs.

New construction on 47 St. East in the Vallarta marketplace will soon be a Wendy’s sit-down and drive-through restaurant.

A sweet tooth will find satisfaction at Manantial Frozen Treats, 565 E. Palmdale Blvd., #C. They are the first to offer handcrafted ice cream rolls in the Antelope Valley. Their ice cream is made from scratch with house-made base that can be flavored with fresh fruit, cookies, cereal, and candy.

We welcome them all to the family of Palmdale eateries!

Aldi to Open in East Palmdale

Construction will be underway soon on the new Aldi grocery store coming to 47th St. East. One of the nation’s leading low-price grocers, Aldi operates over 1,900 stores in 36 states and prides itself on a simple, cost-effective approach to grocery shopping that fundamentally saves shoppers on their grocery bills. For more information, visit www.aldi.us.
Edwards Federal Credit Union

Edwards Federal Credit Union broke ground in November for their new flagship branch and administration building scheduled to open in Palmdale in late 2020. The facility is located at the corner of 10th West and Avenue O-8 in the heart of the Palmdale retail district.

On hand for the event were the credit union’s board of directors, senior management and project manager, representatives from the City of Palmdale, and staff from Level 5, the design/build firm chosen for construction. The new building will be a dual destination location shared by Edwards Federal Credit Union and a coffee retailer on the ground level.

The first floor of the new branch will feature an open floor plan, including a unique community room that will be made available to local groups and organizations. The second floor has offices for management, accounting, human resources, meeting rooms, and a lunch/breakroom for staff. Two drive through ATMs and two walk-up ATMs will be on site, as well as ample parking.

Lockheed Martin

Local dignitaries and officials gathered at Lockheed Martin’s Plant 42 site in December to celebrate the groundbreaking of its new 208,000 square foot low bay advanced manufacturing facility. It is Lockheed’s first new building at the plant since the 1980s. The facility will allow Lockheed Martin to integrate the use of AI, robotics, and other advanced technologies that help reduce costs, while incorporating advanced safety features.

US Tool Group

US Tool Group held a groundbreaking for its new 30,000 square foot warehouse and office facility at Fairway Business Park near Avenue O east of 10th Street West.

US Tool Group supplies the aerospace industry with specialized tools, primarily cutting tools made of high-end metal that are used in manufacturing today’s aircraft and space vehicles.

Construction of the facility, expected to take eight to 10 months, will employ more than 150 people with more than 26 different subcontractors.
Amargosa Recharge Complete

Local, county and state officials gathered in December to celebrate the groundbreaking of the Amargosa Creek Recharge project near the California Aqueduct at 25th St. West and Elizabeth Lake Road.

The $17 million dollar project, a collaborative effort between the City of Palmdale, Palmdale Water District, Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency and the Los Angeles County Water Districts, pipes State Water Project water from the California Aqueduct to a series of recharge ponds where the water percolates through the ground into the aquifer beneath.

Eventually, recycled water from the Palmdale wastewater treatment plant will also be piped to the recharge basins to further help feed the aquifer.

In addition to improving the regional water resource supply, it will promote further preservation of the Amargosa Creek corridor and provide the community with a nature park to enjoy.

Pathways weave through the newly created Nature Park and around the recharge basins among specific plant species adapted to the desert environment. At strategic locations along the path, education kiosks and interpretive plaques provide information on the desert environment, urban runoff, watershed processes, and the recharge facilities.

Future shade covers and picnic tables located throughout the park will invite community members to sit down, relax, and enjoy their natural surroundings.

Palmdale Ranked Among California’s Top Fiscally Healthy Cities

A comprehensive financial analysis by the California State Auditor (CSA) revealed that the City of Palmdale is one of the fiscally healthy cities with one of the lowest risks of fiscal distress in California.

Of the 471 cities that were analyzed, Palmdale came in at the 405th lowest risk, putting it in the top 14 percent of California cities.

As part of the CSA’s high-risk local government audit program, the auditor has established a process for determining whether a local government agency is at risk of fiscal distress. The CSA launched its most comprehensive analysis of cities, and for the first time, made public an online dashboard ranking the fiscal health of over 470 California cities from highest to lowest risk, using 10 key financial indicators. The dashboard is available at https://bit.ly/2OvflYz.

For more information, visit www.auditor.ca.gov.
Extreme Makeover
Palmdale
Episode to Air in 2020

The episode popular HGTV series Extreme Makeover: Home Edition that was filmed in Palmdale last August is scheduled to air in early 2020.

The exact showing times will be posted on the City’s social media pages, including its Facebook page, City of Palmdale-Government.

The episode will feature two homes built for local veterans and their families with the help of local volunteers and construction professionals who worked around the clock for a week.

The homes were the first two completed at the Homes 4 Families veterans housing project, located on the northeast corner of Division St. and Ave. R. When completed, the veteran enriched neighborhood will consist of 56 homes.

Paul George Gives Back to Palmdale

Palmdale native Paul George, a six-time NBA All-Star and current Los Angeles Clippers star is giving back to his hometown. Through his partnership with 2K Foundations and the Los Angeles Clippers, the basketball courts and backboards were refurbished and replaced at Marie Kerr, Domenic Massari, Courson and Desert Sands parks. A gaming suite was also created at the Marie Kerr Park Recreation building. PG himself appeared at the court dedication ceremony at Marie Kerr in September and greeted thousands of cheering fans.

Then on Dec. 29 — which was declared Paul George Day in Palmdale by the City Council — PG and the Clippers organization held a community festival at Domenic Massari Park. There were booths and activities for families, a youth basketball clinic, and shooting contests on the newly refurbished existing courts, as well as the three new ones that were added — another full court, half court, and a youth court — all thanks to hometown hero Paul George!
Trash Services Available

Through the City’s contract with Waste Management (WM), Palmdale residents have several services available to them at no extra charge. Those include:

**Bulky Item Pickup**
Residents can schedule a free bulky item pickup four times per year, with up to four items collected per pickup. Visit home.wm.com/Palmdale or call 947-7197 to schedule items for pickup at least 48 hours in advance of your normal service day.

**Holiday Extra Trash Bags Pickup**
Overage pickups are provided for free for three weeks beginning December 26. One pickup is considered three large bags of trash. The bags may be left at the curb next to the trash cart on regular scheduled service days. Please visit home.wm.com/Palmdale or contact Customer Service at 947-7197 to schedule items for pickup at least 48 hours in advance of your normal service day.

**Christmas Tree Recycling**
Residents may recycle trees and wreaths the first two weeks of January at no cost by placing them at the curb on their service day. Trees longer than six feet must be cut in half. Please remove all decorations including tinsel, lights, ornaments, and tree stand.

**Electronic/Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)**
Drop off e-waste and HHW items the first and third Saturday of each month from 9 am to 3 pm at the Antelope Valley Environmental Collection Center located at 1200 W. City Ranch Road in Palmdale.

**Landfill E-Vouchers**
Need to get rid of trash or turf/soil? Palmdale residents may make two visits to the landfill per year using your electronic vouchers which are added to your account in July and are valid for twelve months. Proof of residency and account in good standing is required.

**Residential Oil Collection**
Residents are entitled to one collection per year of up to 10 gallons of used motor oil and up to five used oil filters. To schedule a collection, visit home.wm.com/Palmdale or call 1-800-449-7587.

**Shredding Services**
Free document shredding services are offered by WM to Palmdale residents on the second Saturday of every odd month. Residents may bring up to five standard banker size boxes of documents to the Palmdale landfill from 9 am to 12 pm. Proof of residency and account in good standing is required. Upcoming dates are Jan. 11, March 14 and May 9.
New Voting System

In 2020, Los Angeles County will introduce its new voting system, the Voting Solutions for All People (VSAP).

The new system features the Ballot Marking Device, and iPad-like piece of equipment which makes it easy for people to customize the voting experience to fit their needs. Voters can access 13 languages, adjust the touch screen to a comfortable angle, change display settings such as text size and contrast, or go through the ballot using the audio headset and control pad.

Security remains a top priority for L.A. County, which is why this device is not connected to a network or the Internet. The easy-to-follow instructions will guide any voter through the voting process without the need for assistance.

Facts on the Ballot Marking Devices:
• There is no network or Internet connection
• The Ballot Marking Device does not count ballots
• The printed ballot will have a human-readable summary of selections
• Voters will review their ballot twice before casting
• Voters cast their ballot on the same device

The new system will offer LA County voters the ability to vote countywide at voting centers. A list of voting centers will be available soon. For more information about elections, voting, and registering, please contact the City Clerk’s office at 267-5151. For more information on the new voting system, please visit https://vsap.lavote.net/.

Upcoming Elections

March 3, 2020 – Presidential Primary
March 3, 2020 – Congressional District 25 Special Election
Nov. 3, 2020 – General Election

For more information, visit sos.ca.gov/elections/upcoming-elections.
FACT SHEET

The City of Palmdale and Los Angeles County are ready to begin a project to reconstruct 3.2 miles of Pearblossom Highway from Old Nadeau Road to 55th Street East. Over 34,000 vehicles travel this roadway daily, including many heavy trucks, which put tremendous stress on the pavement. Over time this stress and other factors have deteriorated the road, leading to cracks, potholes, and poor ride quality. The Pearblossom Highway Rebuild Project will provide a new, smooth driving surface on this crucial roadway and additional improvements. Project features include:

• Removal of the existing pavement and construction of a new, long-lasting road, within existing pavement limits, designed to support the daily traffic.
• Intersection improvements, such as new signal equipment, new pedestrian/equestrian push-button systems, new or upgraded ADA-compliant curb ramps, and new ladder-style crosswalks.
• Changes to current traffic patterns that will enhance safety and traffic flow at 25th St East/Barrel Springs Rd and 30th St East.
• Installation of a 2,100-foot median barrier between 25th St East/Barrel Springs Rd and 30th St East to help prevent head-on traffic collisions.

Construction will be done in 3 segments. Work on Segment 2 will begin September 2019.

Segment 1
From the CA Aqueduct bridge at Old Nadeau Rd to 33rd Street East.
• New pavement from Old Nadeau Rd to 33rd St East
• Improvements at 25th St East / Barrel Springs Rd, 30th St East, and 33rd St East intersections
• 2,100-foot median barrier
Summer 2020 - Fall 2020

Segment 2
From 33rd Street East to 45th Street East.
• New pavement from 33rd St East to 45th St East
• Improvements at 37th St East, 40th St East, and Rodeo St intersections.
Fall 2019 - Spring 2020

Segment 3
From 45th Street East to 55th Street East.
• New pavement from 45th St East to 55th St East
• Improvements at 47th St East intersection
• Split City/County jurisdiction
Spring 2020 - Summer 2020

Cost and Funding
Construction Cost: $13.5 M

Funding Partners/Sources:
• County of Los Angeles
• Measure M
• Measure R
• Gas Tax
• RMRA (SB-1)

Work Hours
Monday - Friday from 7 a.m. - 5 p.m
• Overnight and weekend work may be required.
• Dates and times will be provided.
• Expect long-term full closures with detours and intermittent lane closures.
• Access for local residents and businesses will be maintained.

Be ready and Be Informed!!
Sign-up to receive email project updates: Text PEARBLOSSOM to 22828
855-222-9112
PearblossomRebuild.com info@PearblossomRebuild.com
@CityofPalmdale @PalmdaleCity @CityofPalmdale
Census 2020

The countdown to the 2020 Census has begun! Mandated by the Constitution, every 10 years America comes together to count every resident in the United States. It counts population and households, providing the basis for reapportioning congressional seats, redistricting, and distributing more than $675 billion in federal funds annually to support vital programs for states, counties and communities — impacting housing, education, transportation, employment, health care and public policy. In short, it’s important to be counted!

Given that the census questionnaire will be predominantly online in 2020, the City will host two Census Action Kiosks (CAK), where the public will be able to comfortably and securely access Census 2020 information and fill out the 2020 Census Questionnaire. The CAKs will be located at the Palmdale City Library, 700 E. Palmdale Blvd. and at Legacy Commons for Active Seniors at 930 E. Avenue Q-9. Additional CAKs will be hosted by community-based organizations in Palmdale and throughout the Antelope Valley. For information about those locations please visit https://bit.ly/38nHHxg.

Residents will also have the option to do the census questionnaire by phone or mail.

For more information about Census 2020, including how to apply for a Census 2020 job and more, please visit 2020census.gov. To find out how you can become a Census 2020 Goodwill Ambassador or for further information about the CAK locations, please contact Management Analyst Nardy Lopez at 267-5177 or nlopez@cityofpalmdale.org.

General Plan Update Moving Forward

The City’s General Plan Update is an opportunity for community members and other major stakeholders to discuss how the City will grow through the year 2045. Throughout this effort, there will be many opportunities for the community to participate, including community workshops, pop-up events, online engagement, and public hearings. “Be sure to get involved and have a share in improving the quality of life in Palmdale and shaping the future of the City,” said Palmdale’s Senior Planner Carlene Saxton.

Workshops Dates
Saturday, April 25, 9:30 am – 11:30am
Esperanza Elementary School
40521 35th St. West, Palmdale

Tuesday, April 28, 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm
Knight High School
37423 70th St. East, Palmdale

Note: All dates are tentative. Please visit www.Palmdale2045.org or follow us on Facebook at City of Palmdale – Government for final meeting details.
US CENSUS 2020

Everyone in Your Household must be Counted

- Once every 10 years the census counts everyone living in the U.S. – regardless of age, race/ethnicity or citizenship status.
- Every person living in your household must be counted. This includes babies, children, friends and relatives – even if they are only living with you temporarily.
- Your family’s future depends on your participation.

Our Families Have a Lot to Gain

The census helps to decide how much money our community will receive for things like:
- Schools
- Hospitals/Healthcare
- Housing & Job Programs
- Social Services

Each person counted in the census means more money will go to your community for the next 10 years. Participating in the census means you are claiming your community’s fair share of federal money.

The census also decides how much political representation our community will have.
- Being counted ensures your voice is heard.
- It is your chance to safely resist exclusion.

Filling out the Census is Easy

- A mailer with instructions should arrive by mail in March of 2020.
- You can complete the census by mail, by phone, or online.
- You will be asked a few simple questions, like your age, if you are married, and the number of children in your household.

The Census is Safe

- The census is safe and your information is private.
- It is illegal for anyone to share your information and there are laws that prevent anyone from providing your information to anyone.
- The Census Bureau can only use your response to create information about the general population, like how many people live in your city, and statistics about age, gender, and race. The Census Bureau cannot share information about you as an individual.

THE CENSUS IS WHEN IT COUNTS MOST.

WE COUNT PALMDALE

Our Community, Our Census.
Thanks to modern technology, it has become easier to access Palmdale news and information anytime and anywhere. In addition to traditional cable television provided locally by Spectrum, there are numerous ways to “Get Connected” to your local government.

Palmdale Channel 27 programs, including regular series, special events, PSAs, commercials, and meetings, may also be viewed on the City’s YouTube Channel: CityofPalmdale. Videos and links are also available on popular social media platforms such as Facebook (City of Palmdale – Government), Instagram (@cityofpalmdale) and Twitter (@PalmdaleCity).

With so many exciting events and activities going on at any given time throughout the community, as well as other important City communications to share with the public, we recently created The Palmdale Minute. Premiering every Thursday, this short video report packs a lot of information into 60 seconds and is perfect for those who want to keep up to date on what’s happening in Palmdale but have limited time to spare.

For more in depth news features, the City produces Backdrop Palmdale three times a year, which covers the departments of administration, neighborhood services, public works, economic development, and recreation and culture.

Palmdale City Council and Planning Commission meetings are also televised and web streamed live on Spectrum Cable and the City’s website, www.cityofpalmdale.org. The meetings are then archived on the City’s website and YouTube channel.

The best part about Palmdale Channel 27 is that you can take it with you wherever you go. Not only does it provide residents and visitors with an exclusive glimpse into our diverse and dynamic community, but with a smartphone or tablet, Palmdale and the Antelope Valley is just a fingertip away!
Stay Connected Through Social Media

Social media is a fast and easy way to keep up with what’s happening in Palmdale. We post all the latest news and happenings on our main page, City of Palmdale-Government, but we also have several pages for your particular interests, such as:

- Best of the West Softball Complex – Palmdale
- DryTown Water Park
- Legacy Commons for Active Seniors
- Palmdale Neighborhood Houses
- Palmdale Community Gardens
- Joe Davies Heritage Airpark at Palmdale Plant 42
- Palmdale Amphitheater
- Palmdale Aquatics
- Palmdale City Library

- Palmdale Public Safety
- Palmdale Playhouse
- Palmdale Engaged
- South Antelope Valley Emergency Services (SAVES)
- Yellen Dog Park

We’re also on Twitter at PalmdaleCity and Instagram at “CityofPalmdale.”

Get Palmdale Connections Delivered via Email Free

It’s easy to join our mailing list! Just text PALMDALE to 22828 and reply by sending your email address. Message and data rates may apply.
Disaster Preparedness Presentations

Being prepared for an emergency is a must for all residents. Making sure family and property are protected is critical and the best time to start is now. The City will host two free Disaster Preparedness presentations:

**Wednesday, Jan. 22, 7 pm**  
City Council Chamber  
38300 Sierra Hwy, Suite B

**Wednesday, Jan. 29, 9 am**  
Legacy Commons for Active Seniors  
930 East Avenue Q

These presentations will provide information and resources on easy and cost effective ways to prepare for a disaster. Remember, it’s never too early to prepare, but it can be too late!

For details, call 267-5170.

Identity Theft, Scams and Online Safety

As part of National Consumer Protection Week, the City will host two free presentations on how to protect your identity, avoid scams and online safety tips. Participants will learn how identity theft occurs, how to minimize individual risk, and what to do if one becomes a victim of identity theft. Additional information will cover the many different types of scams, how to identify them and how to avoid them. Online Safety will discuss how crooks use computers to steal personal information and how to protect yourself. The presentations will be held:

**Wednesday, March 4, 7 pm**  
City Council Chamber  
38300 Sierra Highway, Suite B

**Wednesday, March 11, 9 am**  
Legacy Commons for Active Seniors  
930 East Avenue Q

For more information, call 267-5170.

Palmdale Ranked 44th Safest US City

The City of Palmdale was ranked the 44th safest city in the United States (population 50,000 and up) in California in according to a recent study by SmartAsset.com.

In order to uncover the safest cities in the U.S., SmartAsset looked at the following metrics: violent crime rate, property crime rate, vehicular mortality rate, drug poisoning mortality rate, percentage of population engaging in excessive drinking and air quality index.


Park Watch Nights

The City and Palmdale Sheriff’s Station want to partner with you to make our parks safer through the Park Watch program. Come out to meet City employees from various departments who help to make the parks beautiful, fun, and safe each day. Get updates and discuss issues or concerns with the Sheriff’s Department and City staff. You bring the family and we’ll provide the music, games, and snacks for this interactive night of fun.

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Cold Weather Preparedness for People and Pets

Living in the Antelope Valley brings its share of weather challenges. You’re probably already aware of the risks posed by summer’s heat and leaving pets in hot cars, but did you know that cold weather also creates serious threats to your pet’s health?

Winter temperatures can dip below freezing, so now is the time to make your winter preparedness plans. Be prepared with food and emergency supplies at home in case conditions make traveling impossible. Make sure you have a means of receiving winter weather information, and that your radio has fresh batteries in it.

And as always don’t forget about your pets. Here are some common Q&As:

**Q: Are only cats and dogs affected?**
**A:** No, all animals feel the effects of weather. It doesn’t matter if they are mammals, birds, reptiles, fish, or invertebrates.

**Q: What animals are most susceptible and vulnerable to cold?**
**A:** All animals can be affected, but the ones that are most susceptible are the young, the old, and immune compromised.

**Q: Should I be worried about the animals I keep outside like my horse?**
**A:** Yes, horses can easily fall in muddy stalls or pastures. They can develop health issues such as thrush due to prolonged exposure to moisture.

**Q: Any other cold weather concerns?**
**A:** Yes, other concerns include proper storage of food and water. Wet food spoils and can cause health issues if consumed. Animal waste should be picked up daily to prevent contamination of local water and waterways.

Visit the American Veterinary Medical Association’s webpage for more information on how to protect your pets best at www.avma.org/public/PetCare/Pages/Cold-weather-pet-safety.aspx

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Top 5 Ways to be a Good Neighbor

*It’s a beautiful day in this neighborhood*
*A beautiful day for a neighbor*
*Would you be mine?*
*Could you be mine?*
— Fred Rogers

Mr. Rogers had a beautiful, kindly view of the world and what it was to be a good neighbor. Who can argue with Mr. Rogers? We certainly won’t!

In fact, the City has thoughtfully developed certain ordinances to help create great neighbors and neighborhoods that maintain a healthy, safe, and clean environment, and to preserve the quality-of-life standards that residents and businesses can enjoy.

What are some ways that we can all be good neighbors? Here are a few tips:

• Take down holiday lighting within 60 days of installation. Holiday lighting is only allowed on a home for 60 days during the year. Once the holidays are over, generally in January, remove the lighting and store it for next year.

• Dispose of trash or debris from your yard. Weekly trash pickup by a City-franchised trash company is mandatory in Palmdale. Trash is not allowed to accumulate in a house, garage, or the front or backyard.

• Keep the vegetation on your property maintained. Weeds or grass that are more than eight inches high are overgrown and should be cut or mowed. Dead and dying vegetation should be removed from the property to prevent fire hazards.

• Return trash cans to the side yard once trash has been collected. For bulk item pickup such as refrigerators or sofas, call 947-7197 to make arrangements.

• Do not park vehicles in your front yard. Operable vehicles may only be parked on the driveway, in the garage, or on the street. Auto repair is unlawful in residential zones, however, light auto repair on vehicles owned and operated by the resident in the garage is permitted. No auto repair can be completed on a public street.
Register Now for Youth Job Academy

The Palmdale Works! Youth Job Academy is accepting registration for its next sessions. The Academy provides training on applying for and retaining a first job. Designed to help students navigate the do’s and don’ts of the application and interview process as well as review practices and behaviors that lead to success in the workplace, it is free and open to students ages 15-18. This is not a job placement program. Registration is required at www.cityofpalmdale.org/youth.

Session One
Registration Closes Jan. 24

Session Two
Registration Closes June 26

Session Three
Registration Closes Sept. 25

Mark Your Calendars

The next session of the popular Palmdale Partners Academy is coming in September! Register your interest at www.cityofpalmdale.org/partnersacademy.
Volunteer Spotlight: Chris Ogden

Seek opportunities to show you care. The smallest gestures often make the biggest difference — Coach John Wooden

There is no doubt that Chris Ogden cares. Chris has been a volunteer coach for the City for the past 10 years, lending his knowledge and talent to youth participating in winter and summer basketball programs. Chris grew up participating in the program and continues to play in adult basketball leagues. He has been a positive influence on the children he coaches and takes pride in developing their skills.

“Chris has been a positive role model for children participating in our youth basketball programs for years, teaching them the game, sportsmanship and life skills,” said Recreation Supervisor Ryan Herman, who oversees sports programs. “We appreciate his dedication and passion for helping the youth in our community!”

Chris is one example of the many ways residents can engage in their community. For ideas and opportunities, please visit www.cityofpalmdale.org/engaged.

Season of Service

Make a difference in your community! Join us for the City’s 6th annual Season of Service. Events will run from January through May with the theme Serve, Learn, Give. There are many opportunities to volunteer your time, learn about the community and give back in areas that are meaningful to you:

For dates and event details, visit www.cityofpalmdale.org/engaged.

Scheduled Events:
- Jan. 18 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Hope & Unity Block Party (Partner event)
- Jan. 23 – Annual LAHSA Homeless Count
- March 14 – Community Volunteer Resource Fair
- April 4 – Barrel Springs Cleanup
- April 23 – Food Insecurity Conference
- April 25 – Courson Park/SAVES Spring Cleaning
- May 9 – Stamp Out Hunger Part One
- May 16 – Stamp Out Hunger Part Two

Know Your Rights Workshops: Public Education Series

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Presented by Neighborhood Legal Services of LA County

Chimbole Cultural Center
38350 Sierra Hwy

Suspensions, Expulsions and Transfers
Feb. 12, 6:45 pm
April 8, 6:45 pm
- When can a child be suspended, expelled or transferred?
- What are the rights of students and their parents/guardians?
- What protections exist for children with disabilities?

Students with Disabilities and Foster Youth
March 11, 6:45 pm
May 13, 6:45 pm
- What laws help students get the services and help they need to succeed in school?
- What is the legal process for getting an IEP, 504 plan or education support for foster students?
- What are your rights when you disagree with the school or district’s decision?

To RSVP for a workshop or get more information, call 1-888-874-1488 or email avocat@nlsla.org.

Legal Aid Foundation

Free legal advice on a variety of civil law topics.

Tuesdays 3-6 pm
Palmdale City Library
700 E. Palmdale Blvd.

Income requirements to qualify. Se habla Español.

To schedule an appointment, call 267-5600.
THE ONLY ACUTE REHABILITATION INSTITUTE IN THE HIGH DESERT REGION

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  In 27 all private, single patient rooms!

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AT PALMDALE REGIONAL

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Recreation & Culture
38260 10th Street East
661/267-5611
www.PlayPalmdale.com
Monday-Thursday 7:30 am-6 pm

Register online or in person during business hours. Create a customer account, retrieve your lost password, request to rent a facility, it’s easy!

Simply visit www.PlayPalmdale.com using your computer, tablet or phone. While you’re there, be sure to sign up to receive our e-newsletters so you’ll always know about upcoming classes and programs. Program and league information is subject to change, find current information online. Programs are filled first-come, first-served.

HAPPENING THIS SEASON

Adult Sports

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Activities

Activities | January-May 2020

Sports Officials Needed
Are you a sports enthusiast who wants to get involved in your community?
The City is looking for people who have common sports knowledge or officiating experience to become officials and referees for youth and adult sports programs.

- Training available
- Extra income
- Officials needed for basketball, volleyball, softball and baseball.
- Games are played on weeknights and Saturdays

For more information or to apply, please email Sports at parksrec@cityofpalmdale.org.

Adult Coed Volleyball
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Youth Sports

Youth Baseball
Register January 13-February 20
Young players develop skills and self-esteem in this fun and educational program. Fee includes jersey, visor, trophy and picture package. Teams play an eight-game schedule, coach determines practice day and time. Proof of age required at registration.

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Youth Coaches Pitch
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If you’re an adult who would like to join one of our athletic leagues but need a team to play with, let us know. Please call 267-5611 and ask to speak with our Sports division, we will gladly add you to our free agent list!
Youth T-Ball
Register January 13-February 20
Young players develop skills and self-esteem in this fun and educational program. Fee includes jersey, cap, trophy and picture package. Teams play a 12-game schedule, coach determines practice day and time. Proof of age required at registration.

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Girls Softball
Register January 13-February 20
Young ballplayers develop skills and self-esteem in this fun and educational program. Fee includes jersey, visor, trophy and picture package. Teams play an eight-game schedule. Coach determines practice day and time. Practices and games are held at Best of the West Softball Complex. Proof of age required at registration.

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Youth Volleyball
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Program Scholarships Available
The Department of Recreation and Culture has a limited number of partial scholarships available for children who wish to participate in selected recreation programs. The maximum amount of any scholarship award is 50% of the total registration fee. Any resident of the City of Palmdale is eligible to apply for a scholarship for a child 17 years of age and under who is in their immediate family with qualified proof of hardship. Scholarships are limited to one per session (winter/spring, summer or fall), per child. Please visit www.PlayPalmdale.com to apply.
WE’RE HIRING
SAVE THE DATE TO APPLY IN FEBRUARY 2020
FOR SUMMER PROGRAMS

**Program Leader** positions are ideal for those who are seeking to develop professional career skills.

**Lifeguard** positions are ideal for those seeking an energetic work environment and rewarding level of responsibility working with the public.

View job descriptions and sign-up for job alerts at www.cityofpalmdale.org/jobs
Challenger International Soccer Camp

Emphasis is placed upon individual skill development, small-sided games and having fun! Fee includes an International soccer ball, International soccer T-shirt, camper evaluation/camp poster, 20 iChallenge skills and virtual coaching at ChallengerSports.com.

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Tiny Tykes: Challenger International Soccer Camp

A fun introduction to soccer focusing on games and activities to introduce and develop coordination, balance, running, stopping, turning, kicking, dribbling, throwing and catching. Fee includes an International soccer ball, International T-shirt, camper evaluation/camp poster, 20 iChallenge skills and virtual coaching. For more information, visit ChallengerSports.com. Instructor: Challenger Sports.

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Aquatics

Lifeguard Academy

Participants who successfully pass all academy requirements will receive American Red Cross Lifeguarding certification and are guaranteed an interview to become a City of Palmdale lifeguard upon completion of employment application and pre-screening test during recruitment period. Course fee includes textbooks and supplies. A pocket mask must be purchased by the participant, and an additional $41 certification fee is due the first day of the class. Participants must be able to swim 300 yards continuously prior to the first day of the academy. Participants unable to pass the swim test will be withdrawn and fee will be fully refunded. All lifeguard candidates who wish to apply for a job must be 17 years of age by July 1, 2020.

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An Aqua Pass is required to attend lap swim. Aqua passes are available as a 10- or 20-pack of swims. First time purchases must be made at the recreation and culture office. They are renewable online at www.PlayPalmdale.com.

What Our Customers are Saying

“Todo está muy bien, excelente.” —Manuel Cuellar
“I love it here. Very fun and love the staff. My daughter and son have learned so much.” —Brittany McIntyre
“Instructor was fun but still taught my son so much. I’ve never seen him so comfortable in the water. He can’t wait to come back.” —Michelle Mejia
Courson Pool Opening This Winter!

The saying “what was old is new again” is certainly true when it comes to Palmdale’s newest swimming pool. After years of creative planning and financing, the highly anticipated opening of the brand new Courson Park pool and pool house is set for winter 2019-20.

The new complex features an eight-lane 25-yard competition pool which will offer family recreation swim opportunities, lap swim programs, group and private lesson sessions; the City’s first splash pad with multiple spray and play features; and a brand-new state-of-the-art pool house with changing rooms and office space.

Originally a Los Angeles County pool that was acquired by the City in 1962, its condition declined to the point where repairs were no longer possible. Plans for a complete rebuild were made possible through an arrangement with the development of the new Courson Arts Colony West apartments.

Courson pool will be one of four City pools, joining McAdam Park, Oasis Park and Marie Kerr Park in offering quality swimming and aquatics experiences for residents of all ages.

Upcoming Events

Special Olympics Swim Meet
Spring 2020, Oasis Park Pool
Come support local Special Olympics athletes as they compete.

Antelope Valley High School District Swim Practices and Meets
February through May at Oasis Park, Marie Kerr Park and McAdam Park pools.
Local high school swim team practices and meets.

WAVES (Wounded American Veteran Experiencing SCUBA) Organization
Class dates TBD
WAVES partners with Antelope Valley Divers to provide this free classroom and in-water scuba instruction to wounded veterans.

IT’S OK TO HAVE QUESTIONS.
IT’S BETTER TO HAVE ANSWERS.

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Michael A. Yeager, Esq., L.L.M. (Tax)
You will find sports programs, contract classes led by engaging community members, and classes just for kids that are led by the City’s awesome program leaders! For a complete list of all of the classes offered please visit www.PlayPalmdale.com.

Have you visited your nearest center?
Palmdale’s recreation centers are bursting with activity!

Marie Kerr and Oasis Recreation Centers

Marie Kerr Park Recreation Center
2723 Rancho Vista Blvd.

Palmdale Oasis Park Recreation Center
3850 E. Ave S, Suite A

Marie Kerr Park Recreation Center Classes
• Jazzercise
• Michael Thompson’s Ultimate Bootcamp
• Children’s Tap and Ballet
• Young Champions Self Defense and Safety Awareness
• Pee Wee Soccer
• T-ball All Stars
• Move and Groove Tots

Special Thanks
Special thanks to Paul George and 2K Foundations for the new game room at Marie Kerr Park Recreation Center.

Palmdale Oasis Park Recreation Center Classes
• Michael Thompson’s Ultimate Bootcamp
• Melanie’s Ballet and Tap
• Young Champions Self Defense and Safety Awareness
• Acrylic Painting and Theory
• Bamboleo Amiguitos
• Pee Wee Soccer
• Move & Groove Tots
• T-Ball
• Fun Foodie Creations
• Tiny Masterpieces
Join us for free, fun activities at your neighborhood recreation center. Parents must be present.

**Bunsen & Beaker Mondays**  
Monday, January 27, 5-6 pm • Fluffy Slime  
Monday, March 30, 5-6 pm • Shaving Cream Rain Clouds  
Monday, May 18, 5-6 pm • Chemical Change  
Marie Kerr and Palmdale Oasis Recreation Centers  
Love science? We do too! Come spend an hour at the recreation center enjoying hands-on science activities. Ages 8-10.

**BINGO for Kids**  
Wednesday, January 15, 5-6 pm • Yeti Bingo  
Wednesday, March 18, 5-6 pm • Shark Bingo  
Wednesday, May 13, 5-6 pm • Beach Bingo  
Marie Kerr and Palmdale Oasis Recreation Centers  
Come play themed bingo and win fun prizes! Ages 6-10.

**Bookworm**  
Join us for kids story time and crafts at Marie Kerr Park Recreation Center. Ages 5-8.  
**Thursday, February 13, 5-6 pm**  
In celebration of Valentine’s Day, recreation staff will read the book *Happy Valentine’s Day, Mouse!*  
**Thursday, April 16, 5-6 pm**  
In celebration of Earth Day, recreation staff will read the book, *Earth Day, Every Day.*

**Marie Kerr Recreation Center Game Room Tournaments**  
**Thursday, February 6, 4-8 pm**  
Postgame Super Bowl Madden NFL 20 Tournament.  
**Thursday, April 2, 4-8 pm**  
Team Sonic Racing Tournament.  
Come check out the new game room and show off your skills in video game tournaments! All ages welcome.

Looking for a place to hold your next event?  
Both recreation centers have space available to rent. Please visit www.PlayPalmdale.com for rental information.
Activities
January-May 2020

Interested in dance, martial arts, fitness, theater, art and educational classes?

Here is a sample of the courses we offer:

- Acrylic Painting and Theory
- Melanie's Ballet and Tap
- Michael Thompson's Ultimate Bootcamp
- Young Champions Self-Defense and Safety Awareness
- Young Champions Youth Soccer
- Baboleo Amiguitos
- Children's Tap and Ballet
- PADI Open Water Diver Course
- Jazzercise
- Art Around Studio
- Excel Tennis All Levels Tennis Lessons
- Kidz Love Soccer
- Tennis Lessons
- All About Theatre for Kids
- Fine Arts Workshops
- Palmdale Theater Dance, Tap, Hip Hop & Jazz
- Theatre Experience for Teens
- Tri-Valley Arts Ballet Academy
- West Coast Classical Orchestras


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To search our live database of classes, workshops and leagues, visit www.PlayPalmdale.com. You’ll be able to easily find activities that are best for you, search by location, age or area of interest!

For those who don’t have Internet access and can’t search our live database, please call Recreation and Culture at 661/267-5611 for a printed course catalog.
Celebrating 25 years of community theatre, the Palmdale Playhouse serves as a learning center for people of all ages and abilities to explore the many facets of theatre arts, and enjoy community theatre.

WORKSHOPS

Register online at www.PlayPalmdale.com. Hurry, space is limited!

FINE ART WORKSHOPS

Thursdays, 6-8:30 pm
Saturdays, 10 am-12:30 pm
$25 per class

Learn acrylic painting with Certified Grumbacher Paint Instructor Marco Aguilera. Finish a complete painting in each class, with subjects ranging from landscape, seascape, still life and wildlife. Great for all skill levels, Marco will guide you step-by-step to complete your own masterpiece and improve your skills with each class.

Visit www.PalmdalePlayhouse.com to view the projects and required supplies.

ART GALLERY EXHIBITS

See the best of local artists at our intimate gallery, admission and parking are free.

AFRICA MOVES
The Legacy of Vernon Charles Lawhorn
Reception Thursday, January 23, 6:30-8:30 pm
On display January 23 through March 1

Forty-eight years is all Vernon Lawhorn was given to leave his mark on this world ... and leave his mark he did. To enjoy Vernon's work is to allow yourself to be engulfed in adventurous moments from a time when man and nature were one. Through his mastery of color, light source, paints, and pencils, Vernon brought life and culture to his subjects in a diverse and extraordinary way. From the tender young Masai boy lying with an orphaned lion cub to the dignified power of African nobility, to the stunning and creative Zebra, Africa Moves in Black and White, the art of Vernon Charles Lawhorn will remain in your heart and memory forever.

THE INCREDIBLE WORLD OF FRANK DIXON
Fantasy Artist/Instructor Frank Dixon
Reception Thursday, March 5, 6:30-8:30 pm
On display March 5 through April 19

Frank Dixon's artworks are created using watercolor and color pencils, sometimes adding glazes of oil paint to unify colors or drop them into shadow. He has loved creating magical fantasy paintings his whole life. Some of his most memorable images are of his imaginary Land of Treech. 'Treech' are walking, talking tree creatures. He teaches drawing, painting and illustration at Quartz Hill High School and Antelope Valley College.

PRODUCTIONS

ANNIE SINGALONG MOVIE

Saturday, January 25, 2 pm

Come sing along with Annie, everyone's favorite plucky, red-haired orphan. One day Annie (Aileen Quinn) is chosen to stay for a week with the famous billionaire "Daddy" Warbucks (Albert Finney). One week turns into many, and the only person standing in the way of Annie's fun is Miss Hannigan, the tyrannical ruler of the orphanage (played to hilarious perfection by Carol Burnett). Will Miss Hannigan's zany attempts to kidnap the irrepressible Annie succeed? Sing along with the unforgettable songs and experience the beloved musical like never before!

Tickets: $6/adults, $4/12 and under

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INHERITANCE: A FATHER/SON EXHIBITION
Art by John Zender Estrada and Deon Zender Estrada

Reception Thursday, April 23, 6:30-8:30 pm
On display April 23 through June 14

Inheritance is an example of how we can leave physical possessions, talents, traits or even a legacy for our children to step into. Inheritance is also about the importance of leaving a beautiful world to our children. This exhibit will highlight the individual works by John Zender Estrada and his son, Deon Zender Estrada, as well as a collaboration series by both artists.

John Zender Estrada, an Urban Expressionist painter, is famous for his public murals throughout LA County and the U.S. His easel work confronts and translates the essence of the body, the soul, and the spirit through a fusion of biological and morphological ideas with spiritual abstractions. To preview his works, visit www.JohnZender.com.

Deon Zender Estrada is a naturalist painter who fell in love with marine life at age 6. He discovered his passion for painting fish when he was helping his dad paint a mural when he was 11 years old. Now 16, he has created a body of work that centers around marine life and birds. To preview his work, visit www.KingKelpArt.com.

WORKSHOPS
Hurry, space is limited!

A PUBLISHING PRIMER
Educational Presentation for Aspiring Authors
Saturday, February 1, 1-5 pm

Today’s publishing environment offers unprecedented opportunity for new writers to make their mark, but where do you start? New technologies make it easier than ever to get a book published. But here’s what no one talks about: As we crank out more new titles each year, the pool of retail buyers is unchanged. The market is more competitive than ever, and too many new authors rush in without educating themselves. At this event you will learn from experienced professionals who have been where you want to go and can help you get there. Bring your questions, thick skin, and hard-learned lessons. We will discuss the publishing market, self-publishing, copyrighting, networking, writers conferences, publishing contracts, the role of literary agents and more. For more information visit www.WordWiseMedia.com/event.
Tickets: $15
PRODUCTIONS

The City of Palmdale and Palmdale Playhouse in collaboration with Palmdale Repertory Theater’s production of

MARY POPPINS

THE BROADWAY MUSICAL

A Musical Based on the stories of P.L. Travers and the Walt Disney Film
Original Music and Lyrics by Richard M. Sherman and Robert B. Sherman
Book by Julian Fellowes
New Songs and Additional Music and Lyrics by George Stiles and Anthony Drewe
Co-Created by Cameron Mackintosh

Friday, March 13 & 20, 8 pm
Saturday, March 14 & 21, 8 pm
Sunday, March 15 & 22, 2 pm

Everyone’s favorite practically perfect nanny takes the Playhouse stage in this supercalifragilisticexpialidocious musical adventure! Young Jane and Michael have sent many a nanny packing before Mary Poppins arrives on their doorstep. Using a combination of magic and common sense, she must teach the family members how to value each other again. Mary Poppins takes the children on many magical and memorable adventures, but Jane and Michael aren’t the only ones upon whom she has a profound effect. Even grown-ups can learn a lesson or two from the nanny who advises that “anything can happen if you let it.”

Tickets: $20/adults, $15/seniors, students, military, 12 & under

Mary Poppins is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. www.MTITLEhouses.com
CONCERTS

West Coast Classical Concert and Symphonic Orchestras present

THE HAPPIEST CONCERT ON EARTH

Friday, April 24 and Saturday, April 25, 7:30 pm
Sunday, April 26, 2 pm

Experience the magic of Disney with the excitement of live music! Enjoy some of your favorite songs from Disney movies — The Little Mermaid, Aladdin, The Lion King, Beauty and the Beast and many others. Costume contest — come dressed as your favorite Disney princess or character!

Tickets: $17/adults, seniors, students, military, $12/12 & under

West Coast Classical Jazz Combo presents

AN EVENING OF JAZZ

Saturday, May 23, 7:30 pm

This swinging concert will feature exciting compositions by the legends of Jazz. The concert includes Street Life, a Jazz Crusaders tribute band performing such hits as “Way Back Home,” “Chain Reaction,” “Give It Up” and many others.

Tickets: $17/adults, seniors, students, military, $12/12 & under

COMING THIS SUMMER

JUNIOR SUMMER THEATRE CAMP

Monday-Friday, June 15-26, 9 am-1 pm
Fee: $125R/$150NR

Students will explore the essential building blocks of live performance. Bring your creative energy to this hands-on theatre camp. No experience required. Camp will end with two performances on June 27.

SUMMER THEATRE EXPERIENCE

Monday-Friday, July 6-24, 9 am-2 pm
Fee: $225R/$250NR

Discover the practical aspects of acting and learn how to think creatively when interpreting stories and portraying characters. Camp will end with performances on July 24 and 25.

RECITALS

Palmdale School District presents

THE 5TH ANNUAL MULTICULTURAL CELEBRATION OF PROMISE

Thursday, May 14, 7 pm
Friday, May 15, 7 pm

An evening of lively multicultural music and dance performed by Palmdale School District students.

Tickets: $10

Laity Theatre Company presents

LIA DANCE AND DRAMA SHOWCASE

Friday, May 29, 6 pm

An evening showcasing student acting, art, animation, dance, and music.

Tickets: $15/adults, $12/seniors, students, military, 12 & under

Tickets may be purchased online at www.PalmdalePlayhouse.com, or at the Box Office beginning two hours before each show. 38334 10th St. East. For more information, please call 661/267-5684. Please note, all ages must have a ticket for all ticketed shows and events.
Children’s Springfest & Egg Hunt  Saturday, April 4, 10 am-2 pm

Free Egg Hunt, Crafts & Activities
$3 Fun Zone wristbands include Horse Drawn Carriage Rides,* Super Slide, Toddler Obstacle Course, Dual Hoop Zone, Corn Maze, Field Goal Challenge, Home Run Derby, Penalty Goal Challenge, Rock Wall and Petting Zoo.

*Those 13 years and older who wish to take horse drawn carriage rides can buy a separate wristband for this attraction only.

Thank-you to all who participated!
Kaleidoscope celebrated its fourth year on a beautiful October day, and is growing each year with a variety of artisans, musicians, attractions, craft beers and wines, and visitors.

Artist applications are available now at KaleidoscopeArtFestival.com

Thank-you 2019 event volunteers:

If you would like to volunteer, please visit www.CityOfPalmdale.org/Engaged.
AV YOUTHBUILD’S
5K Run for Hope
May 16 • 6 am-12 pm • Domenic Massari Park

June 13
Poncitlán Square
www.avtacofestival.com
Looking for a summer job?

Would you like to work at DryTown? Our recruitment begins Saturday, February 1. Visit www.cityofpalmdale.org/jobs for details and to apply.

Mark your calendar

DryTown opens for the season on Saturday, May 23.

What Our Customers are Saying

My kids love this place, had an awesome time, lifeguards are always on standby. —Lirio Vargas

I grew up with this place and have the best memories spending my summer days here! Now that I’ve moved out of the AV, it’s always a must for me to come visit the park at least once every summer, it’s not complete without it! Local, great prices, great fun! —Katelin Curtis

First time I visited and had a wonderful time. Appreciate the Veterans discount. Plenty of rides and the Lazy River was the favorite. —Rinehimer-Breyman

Loved it, had the time of our lives. Enjoyable, very relaxing ... will definitely go back. —Ari Reavill
LOWEST PRICE OF THE 2020 SEASON — HURRY, THIS OFFER EXPIRES 5/22/20!

Buy your Season Pass now & bring a friend this summer free!*

*Get a free one-day ticket with every season pass purchased by May 22, 2020. You must register your pass in person at DryTown no later than May 22 to receive your free one-day ticket. The DryTown office opens Monday, April 6.

www.DryTownWaterPark.com
Operated by the City of Palmdale, Legacy Commons for Active Seniors is a community recreational facility for those 55 years and older. Located adjacent to Legacy Park, this facility features walking paths, picnic tables, bocce ball courts, horseshoe pits, and a croquet lawn. Community members experience camaraderie, enhance their overall health, and foster self-reliance through our fitness classes, visual and performing arts programs, informational seminars, and special interest groups. Legacy Commons is dedicated in meeting the needs of all seniors and their families by helping to live an enriched, active and independent life.

We’re Celebrating 10 Years!

2020 brings the 10th anniversary of the Legacy Commons for Active Seniors facility. Over the past 10 years, this beautiful building has hosted hundreds of service programs, workshops and activities for the aging community in Palmdale, and we can’t wait to see what the next 10 years brings.

Did you know that all of our weekly classes are facilitated by dedicated volunteers? Over the past 10 years, Legacy Commons has been fortunate to have 277 volunteers, and currently has 34 active volunteers who provide our current activity schedule. Legacy’s robust volunteer program has generated 33,665 service hours over the past 10 years. Every yoga class, dance performance and holiday celebration wouldn’t be possible at Legacy Commons without the contribution of time, effort and creativity of our volunteers.

If you haven’t been to Legacy Commons, we welcome you to visit and take a look at the schedule of classes, exciting events, or simply come in to make a new friend!
Upcoming Events:

Valentine’s Day Party
Thursday, February 13, 1:30-3:30 pm

Black History Presentation
Thursday, February 27, 1:30-3:30 pm

St. Patty’s Day Bingo
Wednesday, March 18, 1-3 pm

Senior Resource Fair
Wednesday, April 22, 10 am-12 pm

Inkwell: Book & Art Festival
Saturday, May 2, 10 am-2 pm

Mother’s Day Garden Tea
Tuesday, May 12, 10 am-12 pm

Fitness Walk
Thursday, May 21, 8-10 am

What Our Volunteers are Saying

“The reason I volunteer is because I like to meet new people and help them by showing them all the activities we have.”
—Carlos Rodriguez, 10-year volunteer

“I volunteer because I like watching students learn and hear them say “WOW!” once they get that concept.”
—Jim Hardman, 4-year computer volunteer

“Volunteering gives me the opportunity to meet with friends and share ideas. It keeps me busy and lets me be creative.”
—Rosie Hall, 6-year sewing volunteer

“After retiring, I was looking for something to keep me busy. After visiting Legacy Commons for the first time, I knew it was my calling, I had found my niche.”
—Harry Ward, 9-year volunteer

“I love when a new person comes to my class, confessing that they never learned to knit. Two months later, not only are they knitting, but they also contribute to a charity that our class donates to. I simply love to volunteer and give back.”
—Denise Gregg, 6-year knitting volunteer
Welcome to Your Palmdale City Library!

Whether you’re looking for the latest best seller, DVDs, eBooks, computer access, story times or programs for all ages — the Palmdale City Library has it all! With access to over one million items through the Inland Library Network, Palmdale library patrons have access to a wealth of materials for enrichment and entertainment. We offer year round interactive Library programs for children, teens and adults. Hear stories, make crafts, create art, play games, watch movies and explore the Library.

Story Time at the Library

Palmdale City Library’s story time programs promote early literacy through books, songs, nursery rhymes, and crafts. We offer four different story time programs: Baby & Me Lap-sit for ages 0-12 months, Toddler for ages 12-36 months, Preschool for ages 3-5 years, and Bilingual Family Story Time for all ages. We sing, dance, read stories, create art, play and socialize in a friendly, nurturing environment. We hope to see you there!

Book Clubs

Good books, good discussion and good company! Do you love a good book and want to talk about it? Join one (or more!) of our book clubs. Palmdale City Library hosts four book clubs each month: African American Authors Book Club, Classics Book Club, Mystery Book Club, and Page to Screen Book Club. New members are welcome and encouraged to attend. Check our website or call the Library at 267-5600 to find out what we are reading and discussing this month!

Downloadable eBooks

Did you know Palmdale City Library offers free downloadable eBooks and eAudiobooks? All you need to access these collections is a valid Palmdale City Library card. Download the CloudLibrary app on your electronic device to get started. It’s easy and free!

Database Spotlight: Freegal

Freegal allows Library cardholders to access a collection spanning over 15 million songs, music videos, and audiobooks from more than 40,000 music labels worldwide including Sony Music, Epic, RCA, and Columbia. Visit our website to get started: www.cityofpalmdale.org/library. Or try the Freegal app, which can be downloaded in the Apple® App Store or Google® Play store.

Coming Soon

In-house Library laptop check out and wireless printing!

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram to learn about all the fun events going on at the Library.
Did you know the Cultural Center is the venue of choice for many community fundraising events each year? On October 5, AV Ukes for Schools held their annual event at the Cultural Center, which showcased ukulele workshops and performances. The successful event allowed the non-profit organization to expand its after school music program to three local elementary schools.

The Chimbole Cultural Center is a prime location to host community meetings, seminars and training throughout the year. The rooms are spacious and include amenities such as tables, chairs, clean restrooms and ample parking. For more information on how to rent a room at the Cultural Center, visit www.PlayPalmdale.com.

About the Center

The Chimbole Cultural Center, located next to the Palmdale City Library, is a one of a kind facility that serves the Antelope Valley. It offers large and small rooms at affordable rates, and is equipped with Wi-Fi for rentals.

Located downstairs, the Primrose, Lilac, Sage and Joshua Rooms are available for meetings, trainings, workshops, showers and small gatherings.

Free Non-profit Reservations: Meeting rooms are available Monday and Friday from 12-6 pm, Wednesday from 8 am-10 pm, and Thursday from 8 am-6 pm. Once every six months the ballroom is available during the same hours, except Fridays. Current 501(c)(3) (4)(5)(6) status is required.

The Cultural Center is in high demand, inquire early. To submit a reservation request, visit www.PlayPalmdale.com and click on Facility Reservations.
Resolution Motivation
Saturday, January 4,
10 am-12 pm and 2-4 pm
Marie Kerr Park
In partnership with #AVRocks, rock painting supplies will be available at the park office for patrons to create inspirational and motivational rocks for the New Year. After painting the rock, patrons are encouraged to hide their masterpieces nearby in hopes that the finder will share their findings on social media! #AVRocks #RockTheArtPalmdale.

AV Gem and Mineral Club
Saturday, January 18, 1-4 pm
Marie Kerr Park
The City has partnered with AV Gem and Mineral Club to present free educational and recreational fun that surrounds our everyday life. Club members will share their knowledge, experiences, and answer your questions. Families are encouraged to attend.

A Tail of True Love: Yappy Hour Love Edition
Saturday, February 8, 2-3 pm
Yellen Dog Park
A social event our four-legged community members can come to mingle and play! A kissing booth will be available for dogs and humans. Take a photo with your dog and share it with us on social media. #YellenDogPark #ATailOfTrueLove.

Random Acts of Kindness Day
Monday, February 17, 3-6 pm
Domenic Massari & Marie Kerr Parks
Ever wonder how you can pass a simple act of kindness to an unsuspecting person? Did you know something as small as painting a rock and hiding it for someone to find can brighten their day? Stop by the park offices for art supplies and rocks, then hide your creation in our parks. Check Facebook @AVRocks to see who found your artwork!

Pokémon Closes Out Winter
March 5 • 5-10 pm
Free Guided Tour 8 pm
Joe Davies Heritage Airpark
Bring your mobile device and join in to locate, capture, battle and train virtual Pokémon creatures around the aircraft displays.

Spring Break Fun at the Parks!
Sunday, March 22 through Saturday, April 4, hours vary.
Domenic Massari and Marie Kerr Parks
School’s out! Stop by your preferred park to enjoy free field games such as baseball, kickball, obstacle courses, relay races, and more. Become part of a short skit as park staff host basic theater lessons. Learn how to act on stage, perform blocking and memorize lines. Bring your family and friends to the parks this spring break, and pick up a park calendar for details. All ages welcome.

Wizards United in Spring
April 7 • 4:30-10 pm
Free Guided Tour 8 pm
Joe Davies Heritage Airpark
Join us on an epic Harry Potter journey as you help young wizards take back stolen ‘confundables’. Kick it up a notch and dress as your favorite character.

Taking the Lead: Yappy Hour Dog Resource Edition
Thursday, April 9, 5:30-6:30 pm
Yellen Dog Park
Come learn about resources that are available to you and your dog. The City’s Public Safety Department will be on hand to provide information on several topics, including: what to look for when walking your dog and how you can help be the eyes and ears of your local neighborhood watch.

Earth Day Celebration
Wednesday, April 22, 4-6 pm
Domenic Massari and Marie Kerr Parks
This Earth Day we want to give back to our planet! Visit the park to take part in Earth Day activities. Plant a flower to take home, create art out of recyclables, go on a nature hike, and more. All ages welcome.

Twilight Tour
May 7, 5-10:30 pm
Free Guided Tours at 6 pm and 8 pm
This popular event returns this summer. Pack up the family and a picnic dinner or something to BBQ, and enjoy a special evening at the airpark.

Mother’s Day Celebration with Mother Nature
Sunday, May 10, 10 am-12 pm and 2-4 pm
Domenic Massari and Marie Kerr Parks
Pack a picnic and bring your mom to enjoy making creative and fun crafts together. Light refreshments will be available while supplies last. All ages welcome.
PARK HIGHLIGHT

Sam Yellen Park/Dog Park

In 2001, the Yellen family gifted 25-acres of land on Avenue S between 47th and 50th Streets East to the City to build a park or public recreation facility named in memory of Samuel Yellen.

In 2017, the City undertook the first phase of developing 12 acres of the park. The project cost was nearly $4 million, with $2 million State of California Land and Water Conservation Fund grant, $500,000 from City drainage fees, and $1.5 million in park development fees as a grant match.

Yellen Park features an adventure play structure, open play field with ball field lighting, walkway with path lighting, exercise equipment and Palmdale’s first dog park.

Stephen Wood, PAWtroller

When one retires, you typically don’t see them out working to clean a park and pick up after dogs. For the past year, however, the Parks division has had the pleasure of working with a great volunteer, Stephen Wood, who does just that.

Stephen is described by his wife Kathy as “someone who lives and breathes the dog park.” We could not have said it better.

Stephen is an official PAWtroller, helping us oversee the dog park. He socializes with other dog owners with help from his beloved dogs, Turd and Baby.

Stephen visits the dog park almost daily, picking up trash and sweeping the parking turnaround. He helps prepare the dog park for events by arriving early to pick up after other dog owners.

He built dog agility equipment for both dog enclosures, taking the time to sand, paint, and cover the equipment with grass turf to make it safe for all dog abilities.

Stephen truly cares about his community, and gives his time so that all users of the dog park have a clean, safe, and fun experience.

We thank Stephen for his hard work and dedication. We are grateful we have him!

Your input wanted!

Community park design meetings will be coming soon to discuss Arnie Quinones and Palmdale Oasis parks.

This is a great opportunity to give your input on the future of these parks. To learn more and subscribe to our mailing list, please visit www.cityofpalmdale.org/parkdesign.

Marie Kerr Park Playground and Adult Outdoor Fitness Station Project Coming Soon

The City was recently awarded grant funding from the California Park & Recreation Society’s Statewide Healthy Play Initiative for playground equipment and an adult fitness station at Marie Kerr Park.

The City applied for funding to develop playground space based on best practices to encourage active behavior with the goal of rebranding Marie Kerr Park as a regional destination worthy of the title “Everyone’s Park!” The project will include removing and replacing the existing 25-year-old playground and adult fitness stations with an all-inclusive playground design and accessible fitness stations, vastly improving the park’s inclusivity and making play possible for the whole community.

The project is expected to be completed in Spring 2020. Additional information and updates will be posted to www.cityofpalmdale.org as they become available — check back soon! For questions, please email Recreation and Culture at parksrec@cityofpalmdale.org or call 267-5611.

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Marie Kerr Basketball Courts Have a Brand-New Look!

K Foundations, Paul George, and Los Angeles artist Michael Farhat with ArtMobb, a creative coalition of artists committed to serving the community art, collaborated on a unique court design that pays homage to Paul George and his hometown of Palmdale.

The court design features desert scenery reminiscent of Palmdale. A water feature and fish at the bottom of the design represents Paul George’s love of the water and fishing. It blends into the desert landscape featuring native Joshua trees and a gorgeous summer sunset. A flock of birds soaring into the sunset pay homage to Paul George’s mother.

The court is adorned with the logos of the organizations — Paul George, 2K Foundations and City of Palmdale — that worked together to bring this refurbishment to life.
Generations Juried Art Exhibit

Generations is an annual opportunity for artists in our community to compete in a juried competition and display their art in a public forum. It is open to artists of all ages, hence the title Generations, because art is ageless. The exhibit is affirmation of the City’s commitment to local artists, providing a platform for established and fledgling artists in our community.

The most recent Generations exhibit, on display from August 23 to October 7, 2019, featured the works of 63 artists. 141 pieces were entered in the age categories of 17 years and younger, 18-54 years old, and 55 years and older.

The exhibit opens with receptions held simultaneously at Legacy Commons and Palmdale Playhouse, with entries displayed at both locations. Artists may sell their artwork if desired.

The winning art pieces and honorable mentions are featured in an annual calendar that is available for free at City facilities, while supplies last.
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