



# City of Highland Weekly Report

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## Helpful Tips on How to Reduce, Reuse and Recycle Junk Mail

### Public Services

**REDUCE, REUSE, AND RECYCLE JUNK MAIL.** We all have it; mail boxes loaded with unwanted and intrusive mail, mail we all refer to as "JUNK". Most of that junk mail can be recycled in your blue roll cart.



Even though junk mail can often be recycled, recycling is only second best to reducing it. Most junk mail uses virgin paper, often types with poor recycling value and toxic inks. Recycling itself takes energy and resources and has its own impacts on the environment. Reduction, where possible, is the far better choice.

The best way to reduce junk mail is to stop it at the source; here are a few helpful tips:

#### 1. Contact Your Existing Creditors.

Request that your current credit card companies to not distribute your name and information to any other organizations.

#### 2. Cancel Catalogs By Mail.

Call the toll free ordering number and request that you be removed from the mailing list.

#### 3. Return postage paid envelopes.

If the solicitation comes in a postage paid envelope, send a note with your information and request that you be removed from their database.

Note: Please be considerate with non-profit and charitable groups; they are required to pay postage on returned envelopes.

#### 4. Contact Credit Bureaus.

Credit bureaus may sell names and addresses to banks and credit card companies. You can now contact Equifax, Trans Union, and Experian by calling a single toll-free number: (888) 5-OPT-OUT or (888) 567-8688

It is important to remember every time you enter a contest, send in a warranty card, order products by mail or on the web or subscribe to a magazine, chances are your information is being added to a mailing list, which is then rented, sold or traded to other companies.

For more information on what you can do to reduce junk mail and trash in general please visit, [www.zerowastecommunities.org](http://www.zerowastecommunities.org) or contact Andrea Saavedra, Public Services Coordinator at (909) 863-0284 ext 202.

## Volunteer Services

**July Blood Drive.** The City of Highland in cooperation with LifeStream (formerly Blood Bank of San Bernardino and Riverside Counties) is hosting its next Blood Drive on Monday, July 26 from 1:30 pm to 6:30 pm. The Blood Drive takes place at the Jerry Lewis Community Center, located at 7793 Central Avenue. .



Show your love for Highland by giving the "Gift of Life" and donating blood in your community. Each donor

receives "points" as part of the "Gift of Life" Donor Loyalty Program. Donors can redeem these points for items such as travel coffee mugs, gift cards and special tests such as cholesterol screening through LifeStream's online store at [www.LStream.org](http://www.LStream.org)

Please remember to *hydrate, hydrate, hydrate*...especially during these HOT summer months. Drink plenty of fluids and bring photo identification with you. Please make sure at least 56 days have elapsed since your last blood donation. For those that are 15 or 16 years old, please bring a signed LifeStream parental consent form, also available on the LifeStream website, [www.LStream.org](http://www.LStream.org)

We can all help Highland increase its blood donations. Hope to see you there!

Should you have any questions or would like to volunteer, contact Volunteer Services Coordinator, Denise Garnsey, at 909 864-6861 extension 203.

**The Highland Improvement Team.** The Highland Improvement Team (HIT) needs your help! We are currently recruiting volunteers to join our team. Our goal is to improve the overall environment of our city for all residents and businesses. Our primary focus is to aid with property clean-up projects for disabled and

senior citizens 55+. Some of the tasks we may perform include yard work, minor repair or painting, light landscaping and garage clean out. HIT cleanup projects take place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month unless there is scheduled City event.

Volunteer hours completed with the HIT Team can qualify for community service hours with most organizations. This includes volunteer requirements needed for school, work, church and group programs. Certificates are also available upon request from the City's Volunteer Services Department.

The following are upcoming HIT clean ups:

- Saturday, July 17<sup>th</sup> Weed Abatement - Meet at City Hall, 27215 Baseline
- Saturday, August 21<sup>st</sup> Property Clean-up - Meet at City Hall, 27215 Baseline



Each clean up will take place from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (summer hours). The City provides all equipment, tools and water needed. As a token of appreciation, the City hosts a lunch at the end of each clean up, for all volunteers involved.

Contact Volunteer Services at 909-864-6861 extension 203 for more information.

## Community Development

**Public Nuisance Hearing Board determination.** At its July 14, 2010, regular Meeting, the Board considered the following Items:

1. A Public Hearing to appeal Administrative Citation No. 04316 in accordance with Chapter 2.56 of Title 2, of the Highland Municipal Code, at property located at 7835 McKinley, Highland, California. Citees: Yok Law & Kit-Sing Mak. (PNHB Case No. 10-007).

The Public Nuisance Hearing Board (PNHB) conducted the Public Hearing and upheld Administrative Citation No. 04316 and adopted Resolution No. PNHB 10-007.

**And speaking of PNHB...Public Nuisance Hearing Board (PNHB) elects Chairman and Vice Chairman.** At its July 14, 2010, regular Meeting, the Board went through the reorganization process and elected Member Melvin Abeyta as Chairman and Member Bonnie Baldwin as Vice Chairwoman. This is Mr. Abeyta's first term as Chairman and Ms. Baldwin's first term as Vice Chairwoman, respectively. Congratulations, Melvin and Bonnie!!!

**There is still time to submit your Public Service Application.** On June 22, 2010, the City Council declared a seat vacant on the Historic and Cultural Preservation Board. The City of Highland Historic and Cultural Preservation Board consists of five (5) Highland residents with a demonstrated interest in, or knowledge of, historic preservation and cultural resources of the City. One vacancy has been declared by the City Council. The term of office for this vacancy will expire November, 2012. The City Council is tentatively scheduled to make the appointment at their meeting of September 14, 2010. Appointees must be a resident of the City, serve without compensation, will have to submit an FPPC Statement of Economic Interests form and complete an ethics training course pursuant to AB 1234. Highland residents wishing to be considered shall file an application with the City Clerk prior to the close of business **MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 2010**. Applications can be obtained at the City Offices, 27215 Base Line, Highland, CA, 92346, or on the City's Website.



## Planning

**Applications Submitted.** The following Application was submitted to the City for review:

CUP 010-002 - Amend CUP 007-009 which is located on the south side of Greenspot Road. APNs: 1201-341-22 & 23. App.: Highland - Treh X, LLC.

The above referenced Application has to be reviewed by the Planning Staff for completeness prior to proceeding any further in the process.

## Code Enforcement

**Monthly Activity Report for the Month of June, 2010.** The following is a very brief synopsis of some of the violations.

Case Category	Total Number of Inspections
Total Open Cases	1,054
Inspections	413
New Complaints	150
Closed Cases	58
Administrative Citations	52
Notice of Violations	72
Parking Tickets	18
Notice of Violations	42

## Mark Your Calendar

**Saturday, July 17, 2010**

7 am - Highland Improvement Team Clean Up,  
Meet @ City Hall - 27215 Base Line

**Tuesday, July 20, 2010**

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting,  
Donahue Council Chambers

**Monday, July 26, 2010**

1:30 pm to 6:30 pm - Community Blood Drive  
Jerry Lewis Community Center - 7793 Central  
Avenue

**Tuesday, July 27, 2010**

6 pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue  
Council Chambers

**Tuesday, August 3, 2010**

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting,  
Donahue Council Chambers

**Thursday, August 5, 2010**

5pm - Historic and Cultural Preservation Board  
Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

**Tuesday, August 10, 2010**

City Council Meeting - Canceled

**Thursday, August 12, 2010**

Community Trails Committee Meeting -  
canceled

**Tuesday, August 17, 2010**

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting,  
Donahue Council Chambers

**Tuesday, August 24, 2010**

City Council Meeting - Canceled



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**Summer Reading Program for ADULTS!**

*June 14—July 31, 2010*

**Incentives:** A prize for every book read

**Programs:** Every Monday at 4:30 pm

**Raffle:** Earn tickets to win a

Compost Bin or Nook (e-reader)

**Registration and All Programs are FREE**

**Register at the Adult Reference Desk**

**Must be 18 and older to participate**