



City of Highland Weekly Report

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September is National Preparedness Month Are You Prepared?

Administration

September is National Preparedness Month! Are you prepared? What is Emergency Preparedness? Emergency preparedness means taking action to be ready for emergencies before they happen. The concept of emergency preparedness encompasses actions aimed at enhancing safety and stability when an emergency occurs, such as an



earthquake, hazardous material spill, or wildfire. Think of it as insurance. A person may have car insurance, homeowners insurance and health insurance. While these

are not items that are used every day, they are there for a reason; to provide a safety net and make life easier in the times that they are needed. Emergency preparation is just another form of insurance.

During a disaster or emergency, many systems you rely on may not function as well as they usually do. Familiar landmarks, bridges and roads may be altered or closed. Utilities like electricity, water, gas and phone service may be disrupted. In a situation like this, it will be easy for no one.

However, those that have a stocked emergency kit and a well thought out plan ahead of time will have an easier time dealing with the situation compared to those that have taken no time to prepare at all. The time to get prepared is NOW. Remember, a disaster or emergency can happen at any time. In the meantime, check out www.ready.gov for more information on getting prepared today.

Volunteer Services

Blood Drive - Interested in volunteering? Find out more information by joining us at the next Blood Drive Committee Meeting on Monday, September 9, 2013. The committee meetings are held at Highland City Hall, 27215 Base Line, from 4:00pm to 5:00pm.

Donate Blood on at Highland's next Blood Drive on Monday, September 23, 2013 from 1:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Highland Police Station, 26985 Base Line in Highland. August and September are extremely hot weathered months, so please remember to **hydrate, hydrate, and hydrate**. Below are the basic requirements for becoming a blood donor:

General Requirements to be a blood donor are:

- ◆ Donors must be at least 16 years of age (with parent permission form).
- ◆ Please bring current identification, preferable a Driver's License. If you do not have a Driver's License, please bring some other form of current identification that has your name on it.
- ◆ You need to weigh at least 110 pounds. If you weigh between 100 and 110 pounds, you may still be able to donate. However, we will take slight less than a full pint.
- ◆ Your health status must be generally good; free of infections or illness.
- ◆ No history of Hepatitis (after age 11 or older).
- ◆ Free of high-risk behavior/infectious disease - high-risk sexual activity, IV drug use or tattoos within the last year.
- ◆ Drink plenty of decaffeinated liquids (great way to increase your water intake!!!)
- ◆ Body piercing is OK as long as sterile needles were used and there is no sign of infection.

The process includes four easy steps (each step takes approximately 15 minutes).

Generally, the donation process takes approximately one hour from the time you arrive until the time you leave. During special events, the process may take a little longer.

1. Step one - you will sign in with our receptionist and complete a health history questionnaire.

2. Step two - We will give you an abbreviated mini-physical complete with review of your medical history, blood pressure, pulse, temperature and iron level check.

3. Step three - this is the actual blood donation where your blood will be drawn using sterile, disposable materials.

4. Step four - Cookies and Juice for everyone!!! After your donation, you will be able to relax and enjoy refreshments in our canteen area knowing that you have just helped save patients' lives!

Thank you in advance for your donation. Your blood will be used in lifesaving treatments for individuals with cancer and leukemia, surgery patients, organ transplant recipients, for newborns, severe burn victims and trauma patients.

As an added incentive, for every lifesaving donation, participants at the September blood drive will receive a movie ticket (*while supplies last*) and receive points as part of the "Gift of Life" Donor Loyalty Program that may be redeemed for items through LifeStream's online store at www.bbsbrc.org. For more information, contact Volunteer Services Coordinator, Denise Moreno at 909-864-6861 extension 203.

Highland Improvement Team Residential Cleanups Wanted... The Highland Improvement Team needs your help. We are searching for Highland homeowners who need help with yard cleanup and minor landscaping. There are no income eligibility requirements and absolutely no charge to the homeowner. A fabulous team of volunteers completes all work and repair during HIT projects/cleanups.



Here are the few qualifications:

- Must be 55 years and older or disabled
- Must own and reside in your home

The Highland Improvement Team schedules one cleanup per month. Each cleanup requires enough work to fill the allotted four-hour period, usually from 8:00am to Noon.

For more information and/or to sign up please contact Volunteer Services at 909-864-6861 extension 203.

Community Development

Planning Commission determination:

At its September 3, 2013, regular Meeting, the Commission considered the following Items:

1. The Brightwater Senior Living Facility currently under construction at 28897 Base Line requested approval to Revise Colors and Materials Board. The Planning Commission continued its action on the Revised Colors and Materials Board for Design Review Application No. 12-004 to September 17, 2013. The Planning Commission requested an on-site visit to sample Color and Materials on September 17, 2013.

2. The Planning Commission provided comments on a new Building Mounted Sign for the Highland Police Station located at 26985 Base Line, as recommended by the Public Facilities Subcommittee and requested the Application be presented again after a Sign Contractor has been selected and Detail Plans are produced for further consideration by the Commission.

There is still time to submit your Public Service Application. On August 13, 2013, the City Council declared two (2) seats vacant on the Community Trails Committee. The City of Highland Community Trails Committee consists of five (5) residents and

meets on the second Thursday of each month for the purpose of making recommendations to the City Council regarding the development and maintenance of a community trails system within the City and its sphere of influence. Two vacancies have been declared by the City Council. The terms of office for these vacancies will expire October 2015. The Government Code provides that the City Council may fill said vacancies by appointment. Each member shall be a resident of the City who has a demonstrated knowledge and interest in one or more of the following: equestrian activities, bicycling, hiking, nature studies or landscape/open space design.



The City Council is tentatively scheduled to make the appointment at their regular meeting of September 24, 2013, pursuant to Government Code. All appointees serve without compensation, will need to complete an ethics training course and will have to submit an FPPC Statement of Economic Interest Form.

Residents of Highland wishing to be considered shall file a Public Service Application with the City Clerk prior to the close of business on **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2013.** Applications can be obtained at City Hall, 27215 Base Line, Highland, CA 92346, and returned to the City Clerk no later than the deadline.

Finance

Commercial Business License Applications - There was one new commercial business license for the week of 09/02/13 to 09/06/13, Johnny's Grill located at 27224 Base Line, Highland, CA 92346

Mark Your Calendar



Monday, September 9, 2013

4pm to 5pm - Blood Drive Committee Meeting
Highland City Hall - 27215 Base Line, Highland

Tuesday, September 10, 2013

6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Donahue
Council Chambers

Wednesday, September 11, 2013

3pm - Street Naming Committee Special
Meeting, Donahue Council Chamber

Thursday, September 12, 2013

5pm - Community Trails Committee Regular
Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, September 17, 2013

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting,
Donahue Council Chambers

Saturday, September 21, 2013

7am to 11am - Highland Improvement Team
Clean Up, City Hall - 27215 Base Line, Highland

Monday, September 23, 2013

1:30pm to 6:30pm - Blood Drive at Highland
Police Station - 26985 Base Line, Highland

Tuesday, September 24, 2013

6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Donahue
Council Chambers

Tuesday, October 1, 2013

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting,
Donahue Council Chambers

Wednesday, October 2, 2013

4pm - Public Nuisance Hearing Board Special
Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Thursday, October 3, 2013

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

Tuesday, October 8, 2013

6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Donahue
Council Chambers

Thursday, October 10, 2013

5pm - Community Trails Committee Regular
Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, October 15, 2013

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting,
Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, October 22, 2013

6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Donahue
Council Chambers

Saturday, October 26, 2013

3pm to 7pm - Discover Highland Night, located
at the Highland Crossing Shopping Center in
front of Lowe's Home Improvement Center on
Greenspot Road

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