



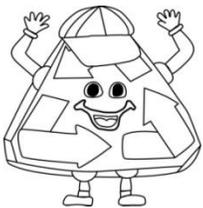
# City of Highland Weekly Report

October 31, 2014

## Discover Highland Night was a Success! Don't Miss next Year's Event!

### Public Services

**Repete's Wisdom of the Week - Discover Highland Night.** During Discover Highland Night on October 25<sup>th</sup>, the Public Services Division booth attracted a crowd of 122 participants. For those Do-It-Yourself Mechanics, 40 used oil drain pans and filter buckets were provided at no cost. 7 sharps container was handed out to residents who generate sharps at home. For those residents that no longer change their own motor oil, 75 received an incentive for participating in a trivia game relating to household hazardous waste.



We are so excited to see Highland resident's taking initiative and doing their part to properly recycle their Household Hazardous Waste and assist in the fight against stormwater pollution prevention!

For more information on stormwater pollution prevention, general recycling questions and concerns or proper household hazardous waste management, please feel free to contact Public Services Division at ext. 271.

### Administration

**Time Is Money** - If time really is money, then you will want to make sure that on Sunday, November 2, 2014 you act quickly and change your batteries in your smoke alarms. Perhaps more importantly, is that it is a lifesaving activity that the entire family can join in on. Make sure your family has a home escape plan and then practice your escape after you have tested your smoke alarms. With so many sounds being emitted in our homes it is critical to know what YOUR smoke alarm sounds like.

You probably heard during Fire Prevention Week from October 5-11, 2014 that "Working Smoke Alarms Save Lives: Test Yours Every Month! With so many different smoke alarms available, County Fire wants to make sure that you have some basic information on how to make a decision on this life saving alarm:

- For the best protection, interconnect all smoke alarms. That way when one smoke alarm is activated they all sound. Interconnection can be done using hard-wiring or wireless technology.

- When interconnected smoke alarms are installed, it is important that all of the alarms are from the same manufacturer. If the alarms are not compatible, they may not sound.
- There are two types of smoke alarms - ionization and photoelectric. An ionization smoke alarm is generally more responsive to flaming fires, and a photoelectric smoke alarm is generally more responsive to smoldering fires. For the best protection, both types of alarms or combination ionization photoelectric alarms, also known as dual sensor smoke alarms, are recommended.
- Replace all smoke alarms when they are 10 years old. To determine the age of your smoke alarm, look at the back where you will find the date of manufacture. Smoke alarms should be replaced 10 years from the date of manufacture. There are smoke alarms that have a 10 year lithium battery.
- Immediately replace any smoke alarm that does not respond properly when tested. Make sure to buy only smoke alarms that have a label from an independent testing laboratory, such as Underwriter's Laboratory (UL).
- Replace combination smoke-carbon monoxide alarms according to the manufacturer's recommendations.



Choose smoke alarms that have features that are important to your family: dual technologies (smoke and carbon monoxide, dual sensor alarms, interconnected, hush buttons, or ones that can be tested using a flashlight or TV remote. The main thing is to **HAVE WORKING SMOKE ALARMS.**

Smoke alarms that are properly installed and maintained play a vital role in reducing fire deaths and injuries.

Beside your smoke alarms, make sure all your other fire safety equipment has working batteries, such as carbon monoxide detectors,

flashlights, emergency radios, etc. San Bernardino County Fire Department reminds residents that when they change batteries in any of their household equipment to take them to a collection facility instead of placing them in the trash.

For facility locations go to our website ([www.sbcfire.org/hazmat/hhwcollection.aspx](http://www.sbcfire.org/hazmat/hhwcollection.aspx)).

#### **Emergency Preparedness - Water.**

In a disaster, water supplies may be cut off or contaminated. Store enough water for everyone in your family to last **for at least 3 days.**

- Store one gallon of water per person, per day. Three gallons per person per day will give you enough to drink and for limited cooking and personal hygiene. Remember to plan for pets.

#### **If you store tap water:**

- Tap water from a municipal water system can be safely stored without additional treatment.
- Store water in food grade plastic containers, such as clean 2-liter soft drink bottles. Heavy duty, reusable plastic water containers are also available at sporting goods stores. Empty milk bottles are not recommended because their lids do not seal well and bottles may develop leaks.
- Label and store in a cool, dark place.
- Replace water at least once every six months.

#### **If you buy commercially bottled "spring" or "drinking" water:**

- Keep water in its original container, and don't re-store a bottle once it's been opened.
- Store in a cool, dark place.

- If bottles are not marked with the manufacturer's expiration date, label with the date and replace bottles at least once per year.

Treating Water after Disaster: If you run out of stored drinking water, strain and treat water from your water heater or the toilet reservoir tank (except if you use toilet tank cleaners). Swimming pool or spa water should not be consumed but you can use it for flushing toilets or washing.

Treatment Process: Strain any large particles of dirt by pouring the water through layers of paper towels or clean cloth. Next, purify the water one of two ways:

- Boil - bring to a rolling boil and maintain for 3-5 minutes. After the water cools, pour it back and forth between two clean containers to add oxygen back; this will improve its taste.
- Disinfect - If the water is clear, add 8 drops (1/8 teaspoon) of bleach per gallon of water. If it is cloudy, add 16 drops (1/4 teaspoon) per gallon. Make sure you are using regular bleach— 5.25% percent sodium hypochlorite— rather than the "ultra" or "color safe" bleaches. Shake or stir, then let stand 30 minutes. A slight chlorine taste and smell is normal.

For more information on disaster preparedness, please visit [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov) or [www.72hours.org](http://www.72hours.org).

## Volunteer Services



**Blood Drive -Mark Your Calendar!**  
Mark your calendar...the next Blood Drive Committee Meeting is Monday, November 10, 2014 from 4pm to 5pm at Highland City Hall.

Committee members meet two weeks prior to each blood drive (bi-monthly) to plan and discuss each upcoming drive. During each blood drive members help with registration and assist donors in the canteen. If you have a few hours to spare and have been thinking about volunteering...**look no further...JOIN US!**

Mark Your Calendar! The next community blood drive is set for Monday, November 24, 2014 at the Highland Police Station (26985 Base Line) from 1:30pm to 6:30pm. Please join us in helping Highland increase its blood donations.

Should you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Denise Moreno at 909-864-6861 extension 203.

**Highland Improvement Team - The November HIT** has been selected and the Girl Scouts will be joining us that day! Volunteers will be helping with a residential yard cleanup for a senior resident this month. Some of the tasks that need to be completed are weeding, moving pavers, laying pavers and planting both plants and some small trees. Doesn't this sound interesting?!?!?



New volunteers are always welcome to join us! The November HIT cleanup is on Saturday, November 15, 2014 from 8am to noon. Volunteers can simply sign in the morning of the cleanup between 7:30am and 8:00am at Highland City Hall (27215 Base Line) or contact Volunteer Services to sign up. If you will be joining us, please remember that it may still be hot outside. Remember to wear sunscreen and a hat if possible. As always, the City will provide all supplies and equipment needed for the cleanup as well as provide lunch for all those volunteering. To sign up or for more information, contact Volunteer Services Coordinator, Denise Moreno, at 909-864-6861 ext. 203.

## Finance

**Commercial Business License Applications** - There were two new commercial business licenses for the week of 10/27 to 10/31/14. 9<sup>th</sup> St. Coin Laundry, 26514 9<sup>th</sup> St. Highland, CA 92346

## Mark Your Calendar



### October 27, 2014 to November 25, 2014

Highland Community Food Drive - Food Donation Locations:

Highland City Hall - 27215 Base Line  
Highland Police Station - 26985 Base Line  
Highland YMCA - 7793 Central Avenue  
Highland Community News - 27000 Base Line, Suite G

### November 4, 2014

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

### November 6, 2014

5pm - Historic and Cultural Preservation Board

### November 10, 2014

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

### November 11, 2014

City Council Regular Meeting - Dark

### November 13, 2014

5pm - Community Trails Committee, Donahue Council Chambers

### November 15, 2014

8am to 12pm - Highland Improvement Team Cleanup (Sign-in from 7:30am to 8am), Meet at Highland City Hall - 27215 Base Line, Highland

### November 18, 2014

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

### Monday, November 24, 2014

1:30pm to 6:30pm - Blood Drive, Highland Police Station - 26935 Base Line, Highland

### November 25, 2014

6pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

### December 2, 2014

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

### December 4, 2014

5pm - Historic and Cultural Preservation Board

### December 9, 2014

6pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

### December 11, 2014

5pm - Community Trails Committee, Donahue Council Chambers

### December 16, 2014

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

### December 23, 2014

6pm - City Council Regular Meeting - Dark

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