

# City of Highland

## *Weekly Report*



August 19, 2021

### ADMINISTRATION

## Redistricting

#### ***What is redistricting?***

Every ten years, districts must be redrawn so that each district is substantially equal in population. This process, called redistricting, is important in ensuring that each City Council Member represents about the same number of constituents.

#### ***Why does redistricting matter to me?***

Redistricting determines which neighborhoods and communities are grouped together into a district for purposes of electing a Council Member. The City Council will seek input in selecting the next district map for our City Council. You have an opportunity to share with the City Council how you think district boundaries should be drawn to best represent your community.

#### ***How will our City Council notify the public about redistricting?***

The City Council will reach out to local media to publicize the redistricting process. Also, we will make a good faith effort to notify community groups of various kinds about the redistricting process. The City Council will notify the public about redistricting hearings, post maps online before adoption, and create a dedicated webpage (<https://www.cityofhighland.org/331/Redistricting-Redistricting>) for all relevant information about the redistricting process.

#### ***How can I get involved?***

The City Council will be holding hearings to receive public input on where district lines should be drawn. Please visit our Redistricting webpage for information and public hearing dates. You can also submit public comments, including suggested draft maps, by emailing [districts@cityofhighland.org](mailto:districts@cityofhighland.org).

The first Public Hearing will be held on August 24, 2021, at 6:00 p.m., at which the City Council will:

- 1) Receive a report on the redistricting process and permissible criteria to be considered to redraw City Council election district boundaries; and
- 2) Receive public input regarding the potential composition of City Council district boundaries.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic public health orders, the public hearing will be held either in the City Hall Donahue Council Chambers, 27215 Base Line, Highland, California, 92346, or in another manner specified in the meeting agenda. Please check the August 24, 2021 City Council agenda, once it is posted on the City’s website for information as to how to participate in the City Council meeting. All staff reports and supporting documentation will be available for review in the office of the City Clerk at 27215 Base Line, Highland, CA 92346, and on the City’s website at <https://www.cityofhighland.org/331/Redistricting-Redistritacin> on and after August 19, 2021.

Please contact the City Clerk’s office at 909.864.6861, ext. 226, if live translation in an applicable language, Spanish, as determined by the Secretary of State, is needed for this hearing. Notification 72 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements.

For those wishing to make public comments at the August 24, 2021 City Council meeting, please submit your comments via email to be read aloud at the meeting. Comments can be submitted any time prior to the meeting as well as during the meeting up until the end of the corresponding item. Please submit your comments to the City Clerk at [publiccomment@cityofhighland.org](mailto:publiccomment@cityofhighland.org) or [districts@cityofhighland.org](mailto:districts@cityofhighland.org). All email comments shall be subject to the same rules as would otherwise govern speaker comments at the City Council meeting. If the public hearing is held in person at the City Council chambers, in person comments will also be permitted.



## Redistritación

### **¿Qué es la redistritación?**

Cada diez años, los distritos deben ser rediseñados para que cada distrito sea sustancialmente igual en población. Este proceso, llamado redistritación, es importante para asegurar que cada Miembro del Concejo Municipal represente aproximadamente el mismo número de constituyentes.

### **¿Por qué me importa la redistritación?**

La redistritación determina qué vecindarios y comunidades se agrupan en un distrito para el propósito de elegir a un miembro del Concejo. El Concejo Municipal buscará información para seleccionar el próximo mapa distrital para nuestro Concejo Municipal. Usted tiene la oportunidad de compartir con el Concejo Municipal cómo cree que los límites del distrito deben ser trazados para representar mejor a su comunidad.

### **¿Cómo notificará nuestro Concejo Municipal al público sobre la redistritación?**

El Concejo Municipal se acercará a los medios locales para dar a conocer el proceso de redistritación. Además, haremos un esfuerzo de buena fe para notificar a los grupos comunitarios de diversos tipos sobre el proceso de redistritación. El Concejo Municipal notificará al público sobre las audiencias de redistritación, publicará mapas en línea antes de la adopción, y creará una página web dedicada (<https://www.cityofhighland.org/331/Redistricting-Redistritacin>) para toda la información relevante sobre el proceso de redistritación.

### **¿Cómo puedo involucrarme?**

El Concejo Municipal llevará a cabo audiencias para recibir la opinión del público sobre dónde se deben trazar las líneas del distrito. Por favor visite nuestra página web de Redistritación para obtener información y fechas de audiencia pública. También puede enviar comentarios públicos, incluidos los borradores de mapas sugeridos, enviando un correo [electrónico](mailto:districts@cityofhighland.org) [districts@cityofhighland.org](mailto:districts@cityofhighland.org).

La primera Audiencia Pública se realizará el 24 de agosto de 2021, a las 6:00 p.m., en la que el Ayuntamiento:

1. Recibir un informe sobre el proceso de redistribución y los criterios permisibles a considerar para rediseñar los límites de los distritos electorales del Concejo Municipal; y
2. Recibir la opinión del público con respecto a la composición potencial de los límites de los distritos del Concejo Municipal.

Debido a las órdenes de salud pública de la pandemia de COVID-19, la audiencia pública se llevará a cabo en las Cámaras del Consejo de Donahue del Ayuntamiento, 27215 Base Line, Highland, California, 92346, o de otra manera especificada en la agenda de la reunión. Por favor, consulte la agenda del Concejo Municipal del 24 de agosto de 2021, una vez que se publique en el sitio web de la Ciudad para obtener información sobre cómo participar en la reunión del Concejo Municipal. Todos los informes del personal y la documentación de respaldo estarán disponibles para su revisión en la oficina del Secretario de la Ciudad en 27215 Base Line, Highland, CA 92346, y en el sitio web de la Ciudad en <https://www.cityofhighland.org/331/Redistricting-Redistritacin> a partir del 19 de agosto de 2021.

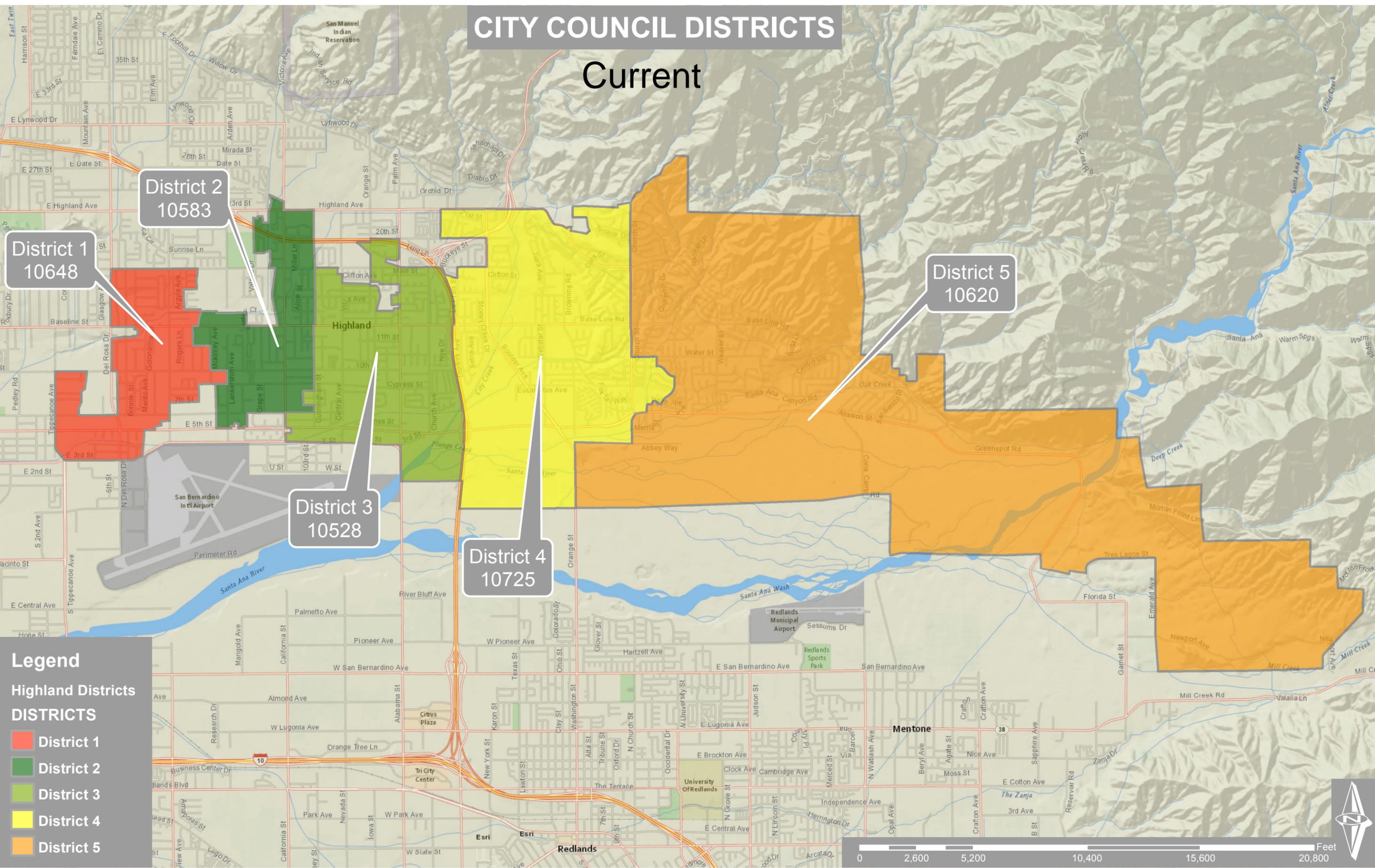
Por favor, póngase en contacto con la oficina del Secretario de la Ciudad al 909.864.6861, extensión 226, si se necesita traducción en vivo en un idioma aplicable, español, según lo determinado por el Secretario de Estado, para esta audiencia. La notificación 72 horas antes de la reunión permitirá a la Ciudad hacer arreglos razonables.

Para aquellos que deseen hacer comentarios públicos en la reunión del Concejo Municipal del 24 de agosto de 2021, envíe sus comentarios por correo electrónico para ser leídos en voz alta en la reunión. Los comentarios se pueden enviar en cualquier momento antes de la reunión, así como durante la reunión hasta el final del elemento correspondiente. Por favor, envíe sus comentarios al Secretario de la Ciudad [en\\_publiccomment@cityofhighland.org](mailto:en_publiccomment@cityofhighland.org) o [districts@cityofhighland.org](mailto:districts@cityofhighland.org). Todos los comentarios por correo electrónico estarán sujetos a las mismas reglas que de otro modo regirían los comentarios de los oradores en la reunión del Concejo Municipal. Si la audiencia pública se realiza en persona en las cámaras del Concejo Municipal, también se permitirán comentarios en persona.



# CITY COUNCIL DISTRICTS

## Current



District 2  
10583

District 1  
10648

District 5  
10620

District 3  
10528

District 4  
10725

### Legend

#### Highland DistrictS

- District 1
- District 2
- District 3
- District 4
- District 5



## IMPORTANT PUBLIC INFORMATION

The Governor released a one-stop website (<https://covid19.ca.gov/>) for COVID-19 resources. This is a substantial source of information including unemployment and paid sick leave, along with small business assistance (information specifically to be added about this tomorrow on the website).

These following specific items — Apply for Unemployment, Apply for Disability Benefits or Apply for Paid Family Leave - may be of interest to you on the following website [https://www.edd.ca.gov/about edd/coronavirus-2019/faqs.htm](https://www.edd.ca.gov/about_edd/coronavirus-2019/faqs.htm).

Loan guidance for small business: <https://www.sba.gov/page/coronavirus-covid-19-small-business-guidance-loan-resources>

As a reminder, the CDC's official Coronavirus website is the best source for up-to-date information and guidance. [www.coronavirus.gov](http://www.coronavirus.gov)

The County of San Bernardino has established a COVID-19 Public Information Line. The line is in operation from 9:00am to 8:00pm, Monday to Friday. The phone number is (909) 387-3911. Please note that this line is for Public Information Only. Please contact your Health Care Provider for medical related questions.

For further information and updates please visit: <https://sbccovid19.com/>

The San Bernardino County Department of Public Health (DPH) continues to work with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) to respond to reports of Novel Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) as the situation is quickly evolving.

Residents of San Bernardino are encouraged to stay home as much as possible while only participating in essential activities, such as critical work functions and shopping for necessities. We know these measures are challenging, but social distancing will help to protect all of our communities. We encourage older adults and those with chronic medical conditions to take additional precautions to avoid getting sick with the disease.

Please visit <http://wp.sbcounty.gov/dph/coronavirus/> for additional updates and information.

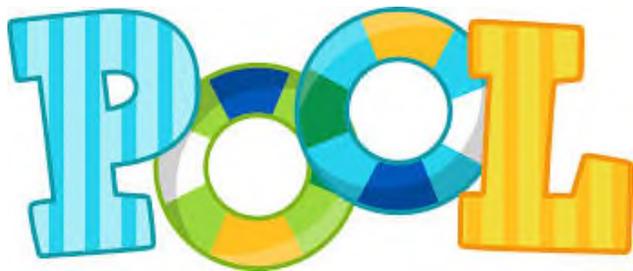
# Public Works



During the period of August 9, 2021 through August 13, 2021, graffiti was made known to Public Works staff by the following means and removed:

**Routine observation by Public Works:** Base Line & Hillview St., Central Ave. & 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Community Park, Base Line & Lynwood Way, Base Line & Knobhill Rd., Pacific St. & Olive St., Pacific St. & Palm Ave., 27447 Pacific St., Sterling Ave. & Jane St., Sterling Ave. & Fisher St., Base Line & Seine Ave., Messina St.

**Hotline:** Central Ave. & 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Village Lakes, 27725 Base Line



## Public Services

IT'S SUMMER POOL SEASON!!!

It's that time of year again when swimming pools and hot tubs are in high demand, but they must be maintained properly to ensure that harsh pool chemicals are not allowed to enter the storm drain! If yours is not treated through the sanitation system, follow these simple tips for proper disposal of hot tub and pool water:

**De-chlorinate** - Chlorine naturally dissipates over time and should be completely gone if the water is left standing for 3-5 days. Use a pool testing kit prior to discharge to ensure the concentration of chlorine is zero.

**Check pH** - determine the pH of the pool water before discharge on your own or ask your pool maintenance company to check it for you. It should be between 6.5 and 8.5.

**Free and clear** - Make certain the water is free of any discoloration, dirt or algae.

**Use your grass** - When discharging to a grassy area, the flow should be controlled so it doesn't cause any erosion problems or enter a neighbor's property.

For questions regarding pool/spa draining or how you can help keep pollutants from entering our storm drain system, please contact the Public Services Division at 909-864-8732, ext. 271.

# Volunteer Services

## HIGHLAND GROCERY DELIVERY PROGRAM

Are you a Senior Highland Resident? Would you like to skip the grocery store lines and have your groceries delivered straight to your doorstep? If so, Highland's Senior **Grocery Delivery Service Program** may be just what you need. This program was developed to assist Highland's senior citizen residents by paying home delivery fees, keeping you safe at home during the pandemic. This program will pay for an annual membership to Instacart Express for you to receive free delivery service for a year. You shop online, pay for your groceries and the delivery fee is on us.

It's easy to apply. Applicants must meet a few income requirements to be eligible. Contact Volunteer Services today to find out if you qualify!

INSTACART UPDATE...Instacart announced that they have partnered with Aldi grocery to accept EBT SNAP online payment.

Using EBT SNAP on Instacart: easy as 1-2-3!

### **1. Add your EBT SNAP card**

Go to your Account Settings to add your EBT SNAP card as a payment method.

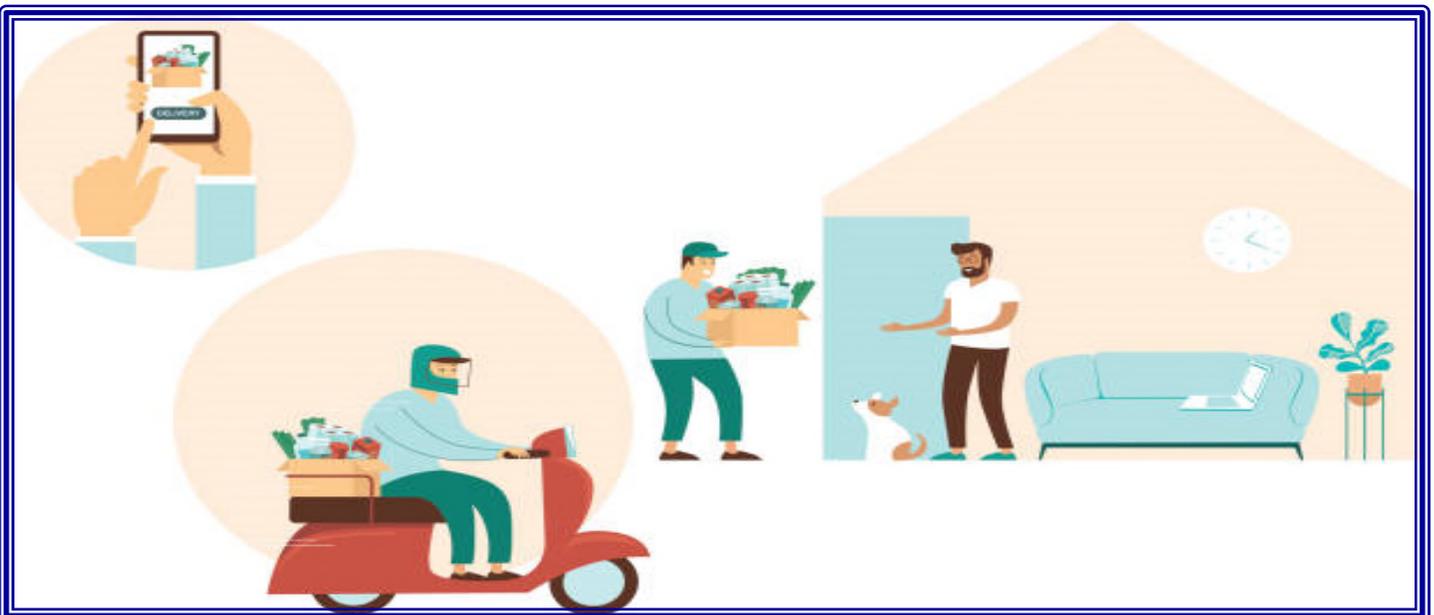
### **2. Shop for eligible items**

Many staple foods and non-alcoholic beverages are eligible for EBT SNAP. These products are marked with an 'EBT' label when browsing at participating stores.

### **3. Check out with EBT SNAP**

At checkout, make sure EBT SNAP is selected as a payment method. You will be able to select the amount paid by EBT SNAP.

*For more information and to sign up please contact Denise Moreno at 909-864-6861, ext. 203, or email [dmoreno@cityofhighland.org](mailto:dmoreno@cityofhighland.org)*



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# Volunteer Services

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## HIGHLAND SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

### **DRIVE WITH CARE**

California has the nation's highest number of pedestrian and bicyclist fatalities. If you drive, take extra care around people walking and biking. It's the human thing to do.

### **DRIVE SAFELY: TIPS ON THE GO**

- Slow down. Drive the speed limit or less. Be alert for people walking, bicycling, skateboarding or in wheelchairs (CVC 21954(b)).
- Every intersection is a crosswalk, even if unmarked. Always stop for people crossing the street (CVC 21950).
- Give people biking at least 3 feet when passing. Do not pass unless safe to do so (CVC 21760).
- When parallel parking, look in the side view mirror and over your shoulder for people biking or other vehicles before opening the door. Only open door when safe to do so (CVC 22517).
- Look twice for people walking or biking before you make a turn. Always come to a complete stop before turning right on red (CVC 21453).
- If another car is stopped at a crosswalk, you should stop too. There may be someone crossing the street that you can't see (CVC 21950).
- Be alert. Put your cell phone away. Keep your eyes on the road and watch for other roadway users, including people walking and biking (CVC 23123.5).
- Only enter a bike lane to park where permitted, to leave the roadway or to prepare to enter an intersection (CVC 21209).

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

- 14 percent of all trips in Southern California are one mile or less. These short trips equate to less than a five-minute bike ride or 20-minute walk.
- 60 percent of car pollution happens in the first few minutes after you start your car. You can save an average of \$9,225 annually by switching to public transportation.
- If you run errands by bicycling or walking, you can save about 500 gallons of fuel and avoid releasing 10,000 pounds of CO2 into the air each year.
- Try walking or biking instead!

### **TAKE THE GO HUMAN SAFE DRIVER PLEDGE**

Commit to safety and sign the Go Human Safe Driver Pledge to design and build safer streets that promote walking, biking and community connections.

Go here to TAKE THE PLEDGE: <https://scag.ca.gov/go-human-drive-care>

*Information Courtesy of SCAG – Go Human Campaign: <https://scag.ca.gov/go-human>*

*Go Human is a community outreach and advertising campaign with the goals of reducing traffic collisions in Southern California and encouraging people to walk and bike more. We hope to create safer and healthier cities through education, advocacy, information sharing and events that help residents re-envision their neighborhoods. Go Human is funded by grants from the California Office of Traffic Safety, the California Active Transportation Program, the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee and from our sponsors.*

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# Public Services



## Stormwater Pollution

### What is Stormwater Pollution?

When it rains, some of the rainwater soaks into the ground, and part of it flows over the ground and directly into creeks, streams or rivers. This water that runs off into the river is called runoff, or sometimes stormwater runoff. Clever, huh?

Sometimes this stormwater runoff gets polluted. Pollution is anything that harms natural resources, whether it is air, soil, or in this case, water. Sometimes the pollution is something you can see, like trash floating on top of the water. Other times you can't see the pollution at all, like when motor oil from a car washes into a nearby creek. Polluted runoff is the number one cause of water pollution in the United States. So, who is to blame? Who is making the water that we drink and swim in dirty? We all are... do your part, one drop at a time.



### Why is stormwater pollution a concern?

It is of concern for two main issues: one related to the volume and timing of runoff water and the other related to potential contaminants that the water is carrying from human and animal activities. These contaminants are picked up as water from a storm or garden hoses and sprinklers drain from streets, parking lots and lawns and enter the system through our catch basins and storm drains. From there, they are transferred straight to rivers and streams untreated.

Anything that is dumped or dropped on the ground or in the gutter contributes to stormwater pollution. Much of it is not biodegradable and is harmful to marine life and cleanliness of our water that we swim in and drink.

### Is stormwater treated before it reaches the river?

No! Stormwater systems flow directly into the rivers, lakes and streams. The cost of treating stormwater would be so high that it would exceed available resources.

### Is there a difference between a storm drain and a sewer drain?

Yes! They are two completely separate drainage systems. The sewer system takes all household wastewater from toilets, showers and sinks and routes it through your plumbing system and directs it to a treatment plant. The storm drain is intended to route rainwater quickly off the streets during a heavy storm. Unfortunately, it takes all the runoff along with it. Chemicals, trash, debris from lawns, parking lots and streets, either intentionally or accidentally spilled, goes straight into our waterways.

**The Effects of Pollution**

Polluted stormwater runoff can have many adverse effects on plants, fish, animals and people. Sediment can cloud the water and make it difficult or impossible for aquatic plants to grow. Sediment also can destroy aquatic habitats. Excess nutrients can cause algae blooms. When algae dies, they sink to the bottom and decompose in a process that removes oxygen from the water. Fish and other aquatic organisms can't exist in water with low dissolved oxygen levels.

Bacteria and other pathogens can wash into swimming areas and create health hazards, often making beach closures necessary. Debris – plastic bags, six-pack rings, bottles, and cigarette butts – washed into waterbodies can choke, suffocate, or disable aquatic life like ducks, fish, turtles, and birds. Household hazardous wastes like insecticides, pesticides, paint, solvents, used motor oil, and other auto fluids can poison aquatic life. Land animals and people can become sick from eating diseased fish and shellfish or ingesting polluted water. Polluted stormwater often affects drinking water sources. This, in turn, can affect human health and increase drinking water treatment costs.



*If you have any questions on what you can do to prevent storm water pollution, please contact Public Services Coordinator, Carlos Florez at 909-864-8732, ext. 271.*



# Blood Drive

Highland's next Blood Drive is on Monday, September 27, 2021, from 11am to 4pm at the Highland Police Station, 26985 Base Line



**Schedule your appointment to donate blood at Highland's September drive by contacting Volunteer Services at 909-864-6861 ext. 203 or by following this online link...**

**[https://giftoflife.lstream.org/donor/schedules/drive schedule/90684](https://giftoflife.lstream.org/donor/schedules/drive%20schedule/90684)**

Donors will receive a special "Count on Me" promotional item such as a beach towel, a baseball cap or a t-shirt for their selfless donation.

For questions and more information contact Volunteer Services at 909-864-6861, ext. 203.



# REPETE'S WISDOM OF THE WEEK

## SB 1383; Short-Lived Climate Pollutants (SLCP) Summary

In September 2016, Governor Brown signed into law SB 1383, establishing methane emissions reduction targets in a statewide effort to reduce emissions of short-lived climate pollutants (SLCP) in various sectors of California's economy. SB 1383 establishes targets to achieve a 50 percent reduction in the level of the statewide disposal of organic waste from the 2014 level by 2020 and a 75 percent reduction by 2025.



Methane emissions resulting from the decomposition of organic waste in landfills are a significant source of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions contributing to global climate change. Organic materials--including waste that can be readily prevented, recycled, or composted--account for a significant portion of California's overall waste stream. Food waste alone accounts for approximately 17-18 percent of total landfill disposal. Increasing food waste prevention, encouraging edible food rescue, and expanding the composting and in-vessel digestion of organic waste throughout the state will help reduce methane emissions from organic waste disposed of in California's landfills.

### Timeline

- ◆ July 1, 2020 - CalRecycle begins analyzing the progress that the waste sector, state governments, and local governments have made in regard to achieving organic waste reduction targets for 2020 and 2025. Upon conclusion of this analysis, CalRecycle may include incentives or additional requirements in the regulations to facilitate progress toward achieving the organic disposal reduction targets.
- ◆ January 1, 2022 - CalRecycle's regulations to meet the organic waste reduction targets for 2020 and 2025 take effect and are enforceable on this date
- ◆ January 1, 2024 - CalRecycle may require local jurisdictions to impose penalties for non-compliance on regulated entities subject to their authority
- ◆ January 1, 2025 - By this date, the state must achieve a 75% reduction in the level of statewide disposal of organic waste from the 2014 level. In addition, not less than 20 percent of currently disposed edible food must be recovered for human consumption.

### Compliance Resources

- ◆ [Burrtec Services](#)  
Businesses can contact Burrtec Waste Industries Inc., (909) 889-1969 to add organics recycling services.
- ◆ [Local Food Bank Organizations/Resources](#)  
[capsbc.org/food-pantries](http://capsbc.org/food-pantries) ~ [helpinghandspantry.org](http://helpinghandspantry.org)

### Food Donation Guidelines

To ensure your donation meets industry standards, please verify the following:

- ◆ Donated food will be from an approved source such as a restaurant, hotel, food distributor, etc.
- ◆ Donated food from individuals should be uncooked and pre-packaged
- ◆ The organization receiving food has a public health permit. If the organization does not have a health permit, the food will need to be served and consumed immediately.
- ◆ Donated food adheres to proper temperature requirements. Cold foods are required to be stored at 41°F or below and hot foods should be stored 135°F or above.
- ◆ Donated food is free of any contamination

# Public Services

## Attention Highland Residents ~ Labor Day Trash Pickup Schedule

Burrtec Waste Industries, Inc. will be closed on Monday, September 6, 2021 in observance of Labor Day. Therefore, trash, green waste and recycling collection will be delayed by one day. Your regularly scheduled collection services will resume the following week. Please keep in mind that street sweeping will also be delayed by one day as well.

### Labor Day Holiday Schedule is as follows:

**If regular pickup day falls on:** Monday, September 6  
**Trash will be picked up on:** Tuesday, September 7

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**Trash will be picked up on:** Wednesday, September 8

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**Trash will be picked up on:** Thursday, September 9

**If regular pickup day falls on:** Thursday, September 9  
**Trash will be picked up on:** Friday, September 10

**If regular pickup day falls on:** Friday, September 10  
**Trash will be picked up on:** Saturday, September 11



Should you have any questions regarding the holiday delay with collection services, please contact: Burrtec at 909-889-1969 or City of Highland, Public Services Division at 909-864-8732 ext. 271.



# Code Enforcement

## July 2021 Report

VIOLATION TYPE	CASES OPENED
Vagrancy	8
Storage of Abandoned Vehicles	5
Yard Sale Violations	5
Inoperable Junk Vehicles	6
Business without License	6
Property Maintenance Complaint	10



## Public Services



## Compost Give-A-Way

**T**he Public Services Division hosted its tenth free Compost Give-A-Way at Highland City Hall on Saturday, August 14, 2021.

We are proud to announce that 13 Highland residents participated in the event. For those of you who missed the event, the Public Services Division will advertise the 2022 Compost Give-a-Ways in the Re-Pete Newsletter, which comes out in your March/April solid waste bill. A flyer will also be posted on the City's Facebook page beginning in March and in June of 2022.

Keep an eye out as we are excited to announce that there will be **two events**, one for the *SPRING* and one for the *Fall* {pandemic permitting}, **for the 2022** year!



### ***Listed below are a few examples of the benefits of using compost:***

- Improves the soil structure, porosity, and density, thus creating a better plant root environment.
- Increases moisture infiltration and permeability of heavy soils, thus reducing erosion and runoff.
- Improves water-holding capacity, thus reducing water loss and leaching in sandy soils.
- Supplies a variety of macro and micronutrients.
- May control or suppress certain soil-borne plant pathogens.
- Supplies significant quantities of organic matter.
- Improves cation exchange capacity (CEC) of soils and growing media, thus improving their ability to hold nutrients for plant use.
- Supplies beneficial micro-organisms to soils and growing media.
- Improves and stabilizes soil pH.
- Can bind and degrade specific pollutants.

# Thank You!

**We would like to thank those who participated in helping keep Highland a cleaner and beautiful community!**

# Public Services

## *PREPARING YOUR HOME FOR WILDFIRE SEASON*

With San Bernardino County currently experiencing severe to exceptional drought, conditions are ripe for wildfires. Because of this, we want to provide you with the information you need to stay safe this wildfire season. We will be sharing some tips on how to protect your home.

### **How Homes Catch Fire**

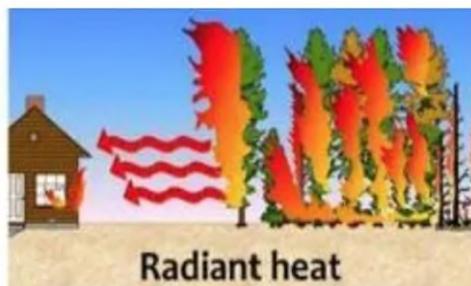
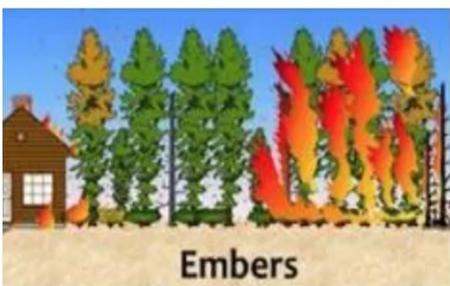
According to CalFire, there are three ways your home could be exposed to wildfire. It could:

- Ignite from direct flames
- Ignite due to radiant heat from materials burning nearby, or
- Ignite from flying embers. Flying embers can light structures on fire from up to a mile away and are the most common way that homes are destroyed by wildfire

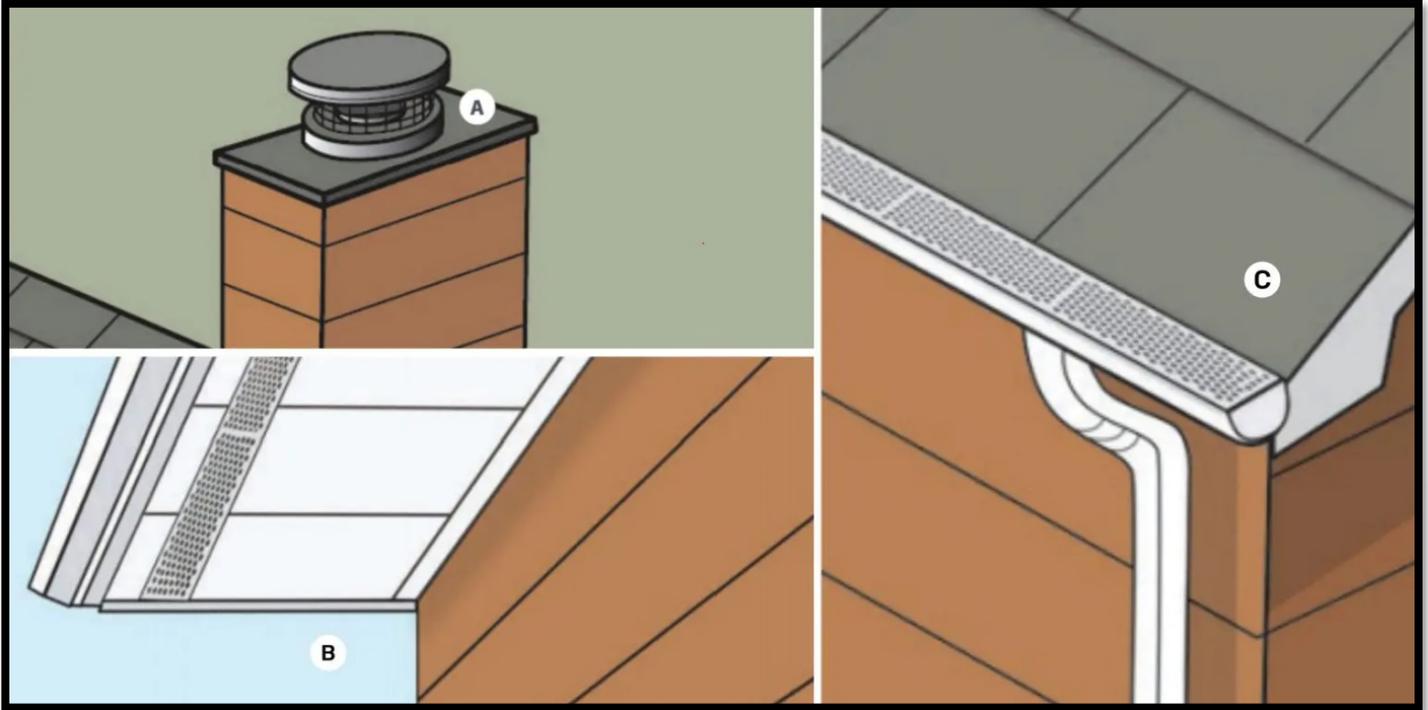
### **Tips for a Fire Ready Home**

Here are some things you can do to make your house more fire resistant:

- Keep rain gutters clear to prevent dry debris from building up.
- Cover chimneys and stovepipe outlets with non-flammable screens.
- Keep all vents clear and move combustible materials away from vents both on the inside and outside of the house. Houses commonly ignite when embers enter through the vents.
- If you have a deck, make sure both the surface and the space beneath are cleared of combustible materials.
- Caulk and plug gaps greater than 1/8-inch around exposed rafters to prevent embers from entering the house.
- As the roof is the part of the house most vulnerable to catching fire, consider re-roofing with non-combustible materials such as metal, clay, or tile.
- Even without direct contact with flames, heat from fire may cause windows to break. Consider installing dual-paned windows with one pane of tempered glass to strengthen your windows.



*Photo source: University of California Cooperative Extension*



A: Cover chimneys with non-flammable screens; B: Add enclosed eaves to help keep embers from entering the house; C: Install a non-flammable gutter to keep gutters clear of debris

Photo credit: Wildfire Home Retrofit Guide

## **Additional Resources for Preparing Your Home**

Take a look at these resources for even more information on preparing your home for potential wildfires:

- **The University of California Cooperative Extension's Website** gives tips for preparing each part of your house for wildfire, from roof to eaves to walls
- **CalFire's Low-Cost Retrofit List** provides easy, low-cost steps for fire-safeing your home.
- **CalFire's Wildfire Home Retrofit Guide** offers a more detailed and in-depth guide preparing each part of your house.
- **Firewise USA's Factsheet** offers tips for preparing both your home and yard for wildfire, including how to ensure that first responders have access to your home in the case of an emergency.

### **What's YOUR Emergency Plan?**

Unfortunately, no amount of preparation can give your home 100% protection from fire. Because of that, it's also important to have an emergency plan. Keep an eye out for our next post, which will be all about creating a wildfire emergency plan.

*For more information, please contact Public Services Coordinator, Carlos Florez at 909-864-8732, ext. 271.*

*Article courtesy of sbcountystormwater.org and Angie Lee, SGA.*

# MAKE YOUR PET'S BUSINESS, YOUR BUSINESS!

## STEP 1



**Attach canister to leash**  
so you'll have your doggie  
bags when you need them.

## STEP 2



**Pick up after your pet.**  
Dog waste is not fertilizer!

## STEP 3



**Throw it in a trash can.**  
Keep harmful bacteria  
away from our streets and  
storm drains.



SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY STORMWATER PROGRAM  
**WHERE WATER  
MEETS COMMUNITY**



Every part contributes to a clean, beautiful County.  
Visit [sbcountystormwater.org/pet](http://sbcountystormwater.org/pet) for more information.

# PROTECT YOUR COMMUNITY KEEP TRASH OUT OF OUR STREETS



## Step 1

Gather your used masks, gloves,  
and wipes

## Step 2

Place the used items in a bag

## Step 3

Tie or seal the bag and dispose  
into a trashcan



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# alendar of Events

## **August 24, 2021**

4:45pm—Finance/Personnel Subcommittee Meeting, Upright Conference Room

5:15pm—Housing Authority Closed Session Meeting, Upright Conference Room

6pm — City Council Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

## **September 7, 2021**

6pm — Planning Commission Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

## **September 14, 2021**

6pm — City Council Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

## **September 21, 2021**

6pm — Planning Commission Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

## **September 25, 2021**

9am to 2pm — Used Oil Filter Exchange & Recycling Event, Auto Zone, 27292 Base Line

## **September 27, 2021**

11am to 4pm— Blood Drive, Highland Police Station 26985 Base Line

## **September 28, 2021**

6pm — City Council Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers



### ***THE CITY OF HIGHLAND FACEBOOK PAGE***



The City of Highland has a new and improved Facebook page that we would like for you all to follow us on. This is where you will find important information regarding road closures and construction projects that may affect your travel time, scheduled power outages, emergencies, events such as: Community Blood Drives, Highland Improvement Team projects, Compost Give-A-Way, Used Oil Filter Exchange & Recycling Events and much more. Please "Like" City of Highland - City Hall (<https://www.facebook.com/cityofhighland.cityhall>) as the official page.

# How to Safely Dispose Sharps

**EFFECTIVE  
JULY 1, 2021**



SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY RESIDENTS can safely dispose of their used SHARPS in a 2 gallon or smaller, heavy-duty, plastic container as an alternative to plastic bio-hazard sharps containers at participating Household Hazardous Waste Collection facilities.

Containers should only contain needles, lancets, and syringes with a needle attached that must be completely spent (no liquid remaining, including EpiPens).

## HOW TO CREATE YOUR OWN CONTAINER:

- Place sharps into an Approved Sharps Container or 2 gallon or smaller heavy-duty plastic container
- Do not use food product containers
- Must have a screw-top and puncture resistant lid
- Made of thick plastic
- 2 gallons or less
- Leak-resistant
- Remain upright when standing
- Place printed Bio-Hazard Label on both sides
- When  $\frac{3}{4}$  filled, secure lid, and tape the container closed

## DO NOT USE FOR SHARPS:



Print **FREE** labels by visiting  
**Greensb.net**

Preprinted labels are available at  
**HHW collection facilities**



For more information and locations, call 1-800-Oily Cat (645-9228)  
or visit **Greensb.net**

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY FIRE – Household Hazardous Waste

# Cómo desechar las agujas de forma segura

**EFFECTIVO EL  
1 DE JULIO 2021**



LOS RESIDENTES DEL CONDADO DE SAN BERNARDINO pueden desechar de manera segura sus agujas usadas en un recipiente de plástico resistente de 2 galones, o más pequeño como alternativa a los recipientes de plástico para objetos punzantes con riesgo biológico en los Centros participantes de Colección para desechos peligrosos del hogar.

Los recipientes solo deben contener agujas, lancetas y jeringas con una aguja adjunta que debe gastarse por completo (Sin residuo líquido incluyendo los EpiPens).

## COMO CREAR SU PROPIO CONTENEDOR:

- Coloque las agujas en un recipiente para objetos punzantes aprobado o en un recipiente de plástico resistente de 2 galones o más pequeño
- No utilice envases de productos para alimentos
- Debe tener una tapa de rosca y resistente a los pinchazos
- Hecho de plástico grueso
- 2 galones o menos
- Resistente a fugas
- Permanezca erguido cuando esté de pie
- Coloque la etiqueta impresa de peligro biológico en ambos lados
- Cuando esté lleno 3/4, cierre la tapa y pegue el recipiente con cinta adhesiva para mantener el contenedor cerrado

## NO UTILIZAR PARA AGUJAS :



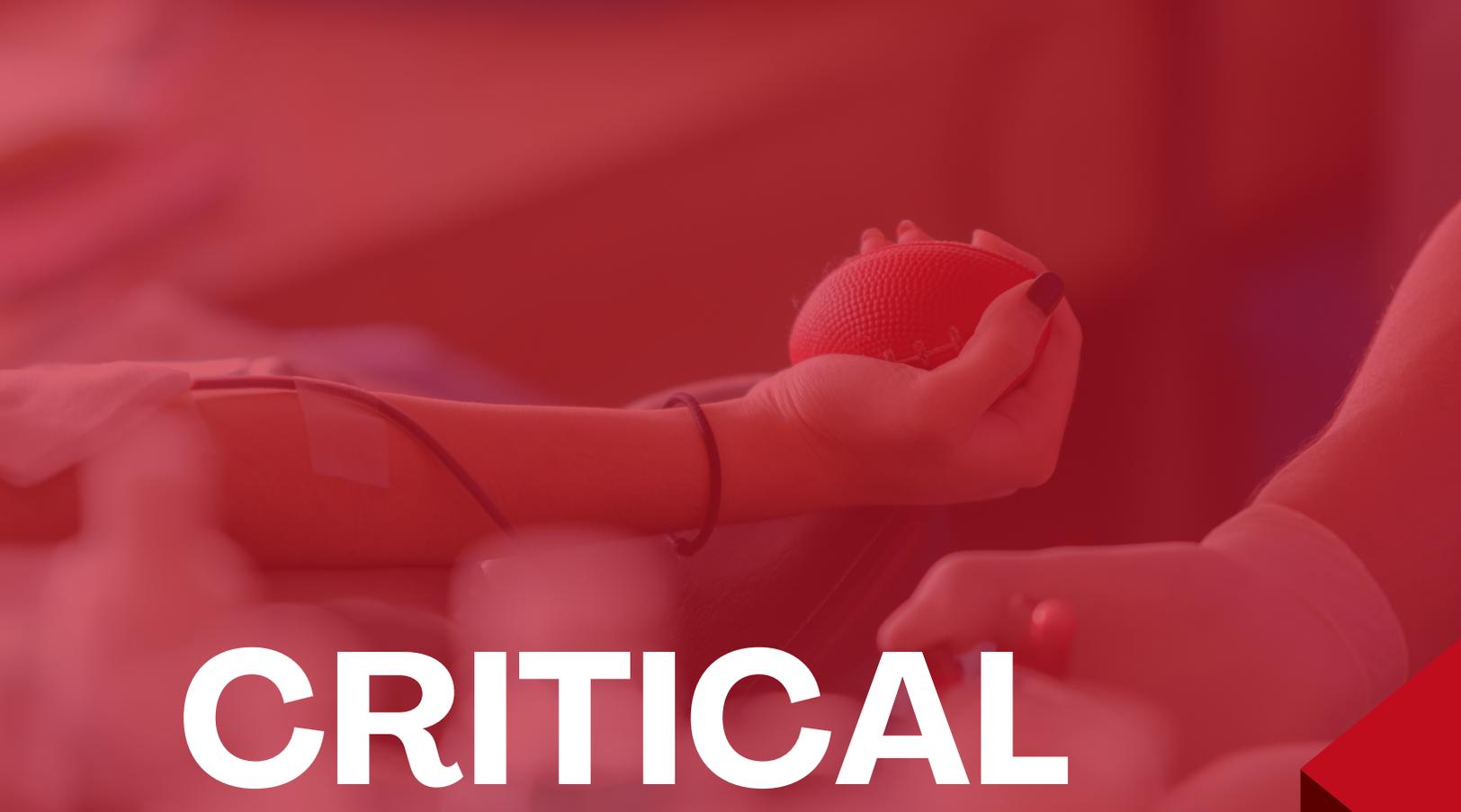
Para imprimir etiquetas  
**GRATIS** visite [Greensb.net](http://Greensb.net)

Las etiquetas preimpresas están disponibles en los Centros de Colección para desechos peligrosos del hogar



Para obtener más información y ubicaciones,  
llame al 1-800-Oily Cat (645-9228) o visite [Greensb.net](http://Greensb.net)

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY FIRE – Household Hazardous Waste



# CRITICAL NEED!

LifeStream Blood Bank is experiencing a critical blood shortage.

Our community IS NOT prepared for a large-scale emergency or mass casualty event.

In addition, “everyday” blood needs are at risk of not being met.

To ensure help is there for our loved ones, friends and neighbors who need the “gift of life,” our community must reach out so blood can be on the shelves and at the ready.

**DON'T DELAY – ACT NOW!**

All blood types, all donation types are urgently needed.

Walk-ins are welcome. Call **800-879-4484** or visit **LStream.org** to set an appointment.

 **LifeStream Blood Bank**

# Highland Sam J. Racadio Library & ELC

7863 CENTRAL AVENUE, HIGHLAND CA 92346 | (909) 425-4700



## Session 4 FREE Courses: August 15- September 25, 2021

Program Name	Day of Week	Time
<b>Library Beginners (0-5 years)</b>		
<b>Movers and Shakers</b> (In Person)- 3-5 Year Olds.- Join in the fun as we enjoy great stories, active songs, fun props and learn a letter each day. Preschoolers will enjoy this engaging program that promotes active learning.	Tuesdays	10:30 AM
<b>Little Artist</b> (In person)- Join us in creating fun, sometimes messy, art projects! Work with your little one to guide their creativity by making a project together, or let them steal the show with their own personal artistic style.	Tuesdays	5:00 PM
<b>Digital Little Artist</b> - Pick up program kits starting Monday each week and join in on Facebook to make a fun craft!	Tuesdays	5:00 PM
<b>Tiny Hoppers</b> (In Person)- 1-3 Year Olds- Bring your little ones to dance and sing to fun songs, then wind down with some awesome stories. This course will inspire interaction between toddler and parent, and help little ones develop their motor skills, body awareness, and sense of rhythm.	Wednesdays	10:30 AM
<b>Kid Zone (6-11 years)</b>		
<b>Storytime</b> (In person or <b>Virtual</b> )- Join us for this wonderfully fun and engaging storytime. Register with the Branch to join virtually, or come in person.	Wednesdays	4:00 PM
<b>Craft Corner</b> (In person)- Join us as we create wonderful projects and learn new skills.	Thursdays	5:00 PM
<b>Digital Craft Corner</b> - Pick up program kits starting Monday each week and join in on Facebook to make a fun craft!	Thursdays	5:00 PM
<b>Adult Programs</b>		
<b>Child Support Service</b> - AFTER HOURS- Do you have questions regarding how to open a child support case, how to modify an existing child support order, status of your case, etc.? We are here to help! Join us between the hours of 4 pm and 7pm at the Highland Branch Library on every third Tuesday of the month. We look forward to engaging with you.	3rd Tuesday of the Month	4:00 PM-7:00 PM
<b>Off Session: September 26-October 9, 2021</b>		
<b>Kid Zone (6-11 years)</b>		
<b>Pet Profiles</b> (In Person) - Ever wondered about some of your favorite Library critters? Now's your chance to learn fun facts and get an up close and personal experience.	Tuesday, Sept. 28 & Oct. 5	4:00 PM

All San Bernardino County branch libraries will be closed on Monday, Sept. 6



Library



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Visit our website @ [www.sbclib.org](http://www.sbclib.org)

BRANCH HOURS: MON - 10AM-8PM | TUES - 10AM-8PM | WED - 10AM-8PM  
THURS - 10AM-6PM | FRI - 10AM-6PM | SAT - 9AM-5PM | SUN - CLOSED

# STARTING IN AUGUST!

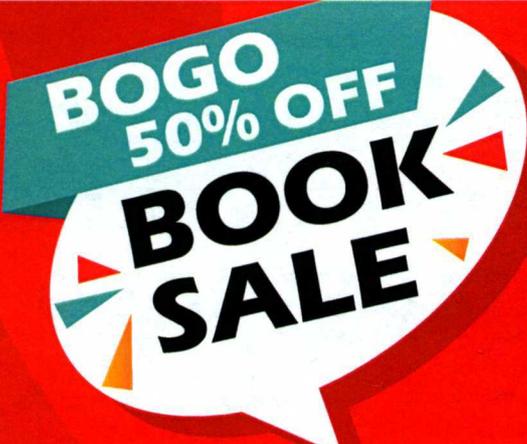
THE SAN BERNARDINO  
COUNTY LIBRARY IS  
RETURNING TO  
IN-PERSON PROGRAMMING!



ART  
CONTEST

Saturday, August 7 -  
Sunday, August 15

Enter for a chance to win a Family Fun Pack!



BOGO  
50% OFF  
BOOK  
SALE

**August 16-21, 2021**  
Buy any book at a participating  
Friends of the Library bookstore,  
get 50% off on another\*!

\* of equal or lesser value



Friends of the  
San Bernardino County  
LIBRARY

## CHECK OUT BOOKS FROM YOUR PHONE!



 **DOWNLOAD THE SBCL APP TODAY!**

- Access digital content including eBooks, e-Audiobooks, music and magazines
- Search for books, movies, and other materials
- Place and/or check the status of holds
- Check due dates and renew items

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CALLING ALL  
**SUPER  
HEROES**



COMING IN SEPTEMBER...

# Used Oil Filter Exchange & Recycling Event

Bring Used Oil Filters to Recycle and Exchange  
for Up to \$15 Oil Filter Voucher

# Free!



Join Us! **Saturday, September 25, 2021, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

## EVENT LOCATION:



**AutoZone**  
27292 Baseline Rd,  
Highland, CA 92346

## Keep in mind...

- ▶ **NEW:** Up to **one \$15 oil filter voucher** per household maximum (limited supply)
- ▶ Expiration: **2 p.m. Saturday, September 25, 2021**
- ▶ Valid only at the address shown on the left
- ▶ No exchange or cash refund after event
- ▶ Recycle oil filter safely: **drain for 12 hours** and transport in non-leaking container or bag
- ▶ Available to San Bernardino County residents only – **bring ID or utility bill** for verification
- ▶ If you are experiencing any COVID-19 related symptoms, please come back after 14 days to one of our permanent collection sites to drop off the used oil/oil filters. Vouchers are distributed and valid for the day of the event **ONLY**.

For information, call **909.382.5401** or **1.800.Oily Cat (645.9228)**  
or visit [sbcfire.org/hhw](http://sbcfire.org/hhw)



# Vessel Turn-In Program

## IS YOUR BOAT AN ANCHOR? TURN IT IN THROUGH THE VTIP!

**T**he Vessel Turn-In Program (VTIP) is a program created to help boat owners surrender their unwanted recreational boats to a local participating VTIP agency, free of charge. This helpful and proactive program is administered by California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW), and grants are awarded annually to qualified local public agencies statewide. Commercial vessels are not covered under this program.

## WHY DOES THE VTIP EXIST?

The VTIP is an option to help boat owners properly dispose of unwanted vessels, and to reduce the number of aging and abandoned boats in California.

For a boat owner, getting rid of a boat that has little or no monetary value is not easy. Often, the cost of disposal is more than the boat is worth. Because of this difficulty some owners will sell their boats for next to nothing, give them away, or -in worst case scenarios- abandon them. When a boat is abandoned, it becomes a potential danger to the public and the environment, and a very expensive problem for taxpayers to bear.

## WHAT IS THE COST?

- If your application is accepted, disposal is free.
- You must be the registered owner, and title must be free and clear of any loan balance, liens, and/or taxes.
- Boat owners do not need to bring their registration up to date in order to surrender their vessel.
- Commercial vessels are not eligible for this program.

## HOW DOES IT WORK?

The boat owner should contact the City of Newport Beach - Harbor Department by visiting our website at [www.newportbeachca.gov/vtip](http://www.newportbeachca.gov/vtip) or by calling 949-270-8159. Staff will ask some basic questions regarding the vessel and afterwards, provide further information and instruction regarding ownership verification and boat surrender.

