



QUICK QUACK GROUNDBREAKING

28343 Greenspot Rd.

The City of Highland has officially commenced construction on a new Quick Quack Car Wash (Quick Quack), anticipated to be completed later this year. The groundbreaking ceremony occurred on Wednesday, February 19, 2025, on the south side of Greenspot Road, beside the 7-Eleven gas station.

Quick Quack Car Wash is a drive-through chain specializing in exterior car washes and self-service vacuums. Established in 2004, Quick Quack has transformed from a local car wash in Sacramento, CA, into the fourth largest car wash in the nation. The company operates over 260 locations across Arizona, California, Colorado, Texas, and Utah, with plans for further expansion in these areas.

Present at the event were Mayor, Penny Lilburn, City Manager, Carlos Zamano, Director of Administrative Services/City Treasurer, Leticia Nava-Cruz, Building Official, Matt Wirz, and the Quick Quack mascot, Quackals.



MUDSLIDE EVENT: AGENCIES RESPOND & ASSIST



A powerful storm system brought intense rainfall to our area, leading to significant mudslides in Highland, particularly affecting the neighborhood known as "The Village."

The heavy downpours caused torrents of mud and floodwater to inundate roads. In one instance, three dogs were rescued after being trapped inside an affected property.

The area impacted by the mudslides was near the Line Fire burn scar, which had been a concern for potential debris flows due to the destabilized soil. In response to the storm, the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department issued mandatory evacuation orders for residents in the affected zones to ensure their safety.

Highland's Public Works Department alongside with San Bernardino County Public Works proactively worked to protect fire-affected communities from flooding. Collaborating with agencies such as CalFire and the Burned Area Emergency Response (BAER) team, they implemented risk mitigation measures, including the construction of barriers and diversion channels to manage potential debris flows.

During the crisis, multiple agencies coordinated efforts to assist the affected residents. Emergency services conducted evacuations, while public works teams worked tirelessly to clear debris and restore access to the inundated areas. The collaborative response showcased the community's resilience and the effectiveness of interagency cooperation in managing natural disasters.

Residents were encouraged to stay informed through official channels and to take necessary precautions during such events. San Bernardino County provided resources and updates on their dedicated storm and flood information website, offering guidance on preparedness and real-time information on road closures and weather conditions.

The event in our city underscores the importance of preparedness and the need for continued collaboration among local agencies to mitigate the impacts of natural disasters to vulnerable communities.

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BAKING CONTEST

Entry forms are available at Highland City Hall, 27215 Base Line, on our city website or can be requested via email. Multiple Entries will be accepted. Contestant's baked entries should be delivered to Highland City Hall (27215 Base Line) on Thursday, March 13 between 7:30am and 12:30pm. The judging will be from 1:00pm to 2:00pm. Anyone interested in judging the contest while tasting all the delicious baked goods can call Volunteer Services to sign up! Entries must be homemade and contain a citrus product. Refrigeration is available for those entries that need to stay cold.

Adult categories are:

- Bread/Muffin
- Cake/Cupcake
- Cookie/Bar
- Pie/Tart
- Jam/Jelly/Relish/Salsa

Child categories are:

- Cake/Cupcake
- Cookie/Bar
- Pie/Tart

Ribbons will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place entries in each Adult and Child category. Winners will be notified by Thursday, March 20, 2025. The presentation of awards will take place at the Main Stage during the Citrus Harvest Festival on Saturday, March 29, 2025. For more information, to receive an entry form by email, or to sign up to judge, please contact Denise Moreno at (909)864-6861 ext. 203 or dmoreno@cityofhighland.org

PUBLIC SAFETY APPRECIATION

The City of Highland will honor our Firefighters and Police Officers on Wednesday, March 5th, and Friday, March 7th, by celebrating Public Safety Appreciation. Join us for a potluck lunch on both days and show your support by bringing a favorite dish to share while enjoying lunch with Highland's fire and police personnel. This is a small gesture to express our gratitude for their daily dedication to our community. The schedule, including dates and times, is as follows:

- 11:00am to 11:30am – Food Donation Pickup and Delivery
- 12:00pm to 1:00pm – Lunch

- Wednesday, March 5, 2025: Highland Police Station - 26985 Base Line (909)425-9793
- Friday, March 7, 2025: Fire Station #3 - 7649 Sterling Avenue (909)884-4100

Please bring a dish to share, whether it's a main course, side, or dessert! I am currently collecting sign-ups and compiling a list for each potluck lunch. Feel free to reach out to me via email or phone to sign up!

For more information, please contact Denise Moreno, Volunteer Services Coordinator, at (909)864-6861 ext. 203 or via email at dmoreno@cityofhighland.org.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 4, 2025

Planning Commission Meeting
6:00pm
City Hall Council Chambers - 27215 Base Line

March 5, 2025

Public Safety Appreciation Potluck Celebration
12:00pm to 1:00pm
Highland Police Station - 26985 Base Line
Please contact Volunteer Services to sign up and for project details.
Volunteer Services: (909)864-6861, ext. 203

March 7, 2025

Public Safety Appreciation Potluck Celebration
12:00pm to 1:00pm
Fire Station #3 - 7649 Sterling Avenue
Please contact Volunteer Services to sign up and for project details.
Volunteer Services: (909)864-6861, ext. 203

March 10, 2025

Blood Drive Committee Meeting - We Welcome New Members!
4:00pm to 5:00pm
Highland City Hall - 27215 Base Line
Information: (909)864-6861, ext.203

March 11, 2025

City Council Regular Meeting
6:00pm
City Hall Council Chambers - 27215 Base Line

March 13, 2025

Annual Citrus Harvest Festival Baking Contest
7:30am to 12:30pm
You can submit your baked creations to Highland City Hall - 27215 Base Line
Please contact Volunteer Services to sign up and for baking contest details.
Volunteer Services: (909)864-6861, ext. 203

March 13, 2025

Mobile Food Pantry
10:00am to 12:00pm
Highland Community Park - 7793 Central Ave
Information: (909)723-1500

March 18, 2025

Planning Commission Meeting
6:00pm
City Hall Council Chambers - 27215 Base Line

March 22, 2025

Highland Improvement Team Cleanup: Annual Historic District Cleanup
7:30am to 8:00am – Registration
8:00am to 12:00pm - Cleanup
Please contact Volunteer Services to sign up and for project details.
Volunteer Services: (909)864-6861, ext. 203

March 24, 2025

Blood Drive
12:00pm - 5:00pm
Highland Police Station - 26985 Base Line
Appointment Link: https://giftoflife.lstream.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/116912
Information: (909) 864-6861, ext. 203



REPORT AN ISSUE

Report an issue or submit a non-emergency service request to the City of Highland from the convenience of your mobile phone or computer through our city website: www.cityofhighland.org



Report issues such as graffiti, downed trees, illegal dumping, potholes, or code enforcement violations. Reports of a sensitive nature may be submitted confidentially. Citizens who notice a non-emergency within any time of the day can take a picture of the issue, add location information, request details, and send it through. This will allow staff to follow-up with residents once your issue has been submitted.

Before submitting your request, ensure the location of the issue is within Highland's city limits by utilizing our GIS Map on the city website. Residents can always call City Hall for any questions (909)864-6861.

Community members play an important role in helping keep Highland a clean and safe city!

FREE COMPOST GIVE-A-WAY



The Public Services Division hosted its 18th Free Compost Give-A-Way at City Hall this past Saturday, February 22. We are proud to announce that 40 residents participated in the event.

For those of you who missed the event, the Public Services Division will now host three events a year. The next two events are scheduled for April 26, 2025 and September 27, 2025.

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.



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

Highland offers a monthly free food distribution, sponsored by the Community Action Partnership of San Bernardino County. Each box is filled with delicious and nutritious options for you and your family. These distributions occur every second Thursday of the month, from 10am to 12pm at Highland Community Park, 7793 Central Avenue. Upon arrival, please take your place in line, as boxes are handed out on a first-come, first-served basis. For additional information, please contact Community Action Partnership of San Bernardino County at (909)723-1500.

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DAYLIGHT SAVINGS



Daylight Saving Time Starts Soon!

It's that time of year again - Daylight Saving Time (DST) is right around the corner! Don't forget to set your clocks forward by one hour on **Sunday, March 9.**

While the change means an extra hour of daylight in the evening, it can also be a bit tricky to adjust to. To help make the transition smoother, here are a few tips:

- Get plenty of rest before the time change to reduce the potential for fatigue.
- Shift your schedule gradually—adjust your bedtime by 15 minutes each night in the days leading up to the change.
- Use the extra daylight for outdoor activities—get outside and enjoy the sunlight!

Remember, DST doesn't just affect the clock. It can also impact schedules for things like public transportation and television broadcasts, so make sure to double-check any plans. And don't forget to reset those clocks in your home, car, and appliances!

Stay on time, and enjoy the longer days ahead!

\$1.4 MILLION GRANT FOR TRAFFIC SAFETY



We are proud to announce that the City of Highland has been awarded \$1.4 million in federal grant funds for safety improvements to our traffic signal system citywide through the Caltrans Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).

These improvements include the installation of a new traffic signal at Glenheather Drive/Love Street & Church Street near Arroyo Verde Elementary School and the installation of yellow reflective backplates at every signal in the city for improved visibility. These improvements are part of our ongoing commitment to ensuring the safety of our community and all roadway users.

The HSIP grant funds are expected to be received by the city December 2025 and improvements are expected to be completed by Spring 2027 or sooner.

Thank you to the program for the support in making these crucial upgrades possible! Stay tuned for more updates as we move forward with this important project.

NATIONAL SPAY AND NEUTER AWARENESS MONTH

In 2024, San Bernardino County Animal Care took in a total of 7,552 stray animals at Big Bear and Devore Animal Shelters, many of which were not spayed or neutered, contributing to the ongoing issue of pet overpopulation. Just one litter of puppies or kittens can multiply quickly, and before long, the number of pets in need of homes becomes overwhelming. This rapid population growth significantly contributes to the strain on our shelters. Spaying and neutering are essential for reducing the strain on shelters, preventing overcrowding and giving pets their best chance for a happy, healthy life.



February is National Spay and Neuter Awareness Month. Since 2024, through San Bernardino County Animal Care partnerships and programs, over 4,300 pets and community cats have been spayed or neutered.

Join us in making a difference! Learn more about the available spay and neuter programs at animalcare.sbcounty.gov.

Why spay and neuter?

Spaying and neutering your pets offer numerous benefits, including:

- Preventing overpopulation – Reduces the number of homeless pets and overcrowding in shelters.
- Health benefits – Lowers the risk of reproductive cancers and infections, which can become costly both financially and emotionally.
- Behavioral improvements – Helps reduce aggression, spraying, roaming, and other unwanted behaviors.
- Cost savings – Prevents future costly medical conditions, thus reducing the financial strain on pet owners and animal shelters.

Please visit San Bernardino County Animal Care at <https://animalcare.sbcounty.gov> for additional information and resources.



IT'S NOT LUCK!

The "It's Not Luck" campaign contains safety and preparedness messages you can share on your social media channels. You can either copy these messages directly or customize them to reach your audience.

To be used throughout March, in association with St. Patrick's Day, the campaign asserts that no one should rely on luck when it comes to being prepared for disasters and emergencies. Don't leave disaster prep to chance.

The first steps to being prepared:

- [Know your risk](#) for the area where you [live and work](#).
- [Make a plan](#) to lessen the impact of those risks.
- [Build a kit](#) to be ready for disasters and emergencies.

For additional information please visit <https://www.ready.gov/its-not-luck>



Don't get pinched this year by flooding, prepare your emergency plan now.



BE STORM READY!

Protecting your family and your property is your best bet against an unpredictable heavy rainy season. Here are some ways to better position yourself against storm-related challenges.

GENERAL STORM PREPAREDNESS TIPS

- Assemble an Emergency Supply Kit: please visit https://www.ready.gov/sites/default/files/2021-02/ready_checklist.pdf for more information.
- Keep a stock of non-perishable food and water to last for a minimum of three days for all family members and pets
- Check rain gutters and drains to make sure they are clear of debris to help keep water from building up on or around your home.
- Be aware of low-elevation spots that could flood.
- Protect your property with sandbags, plywood and plastic sheeting
- Sign up for emergency alerts (info below)
- Keep your car fueled - if electric power is cut off, filling stations may not be able to operate
- Monitor weather and heed evacuation warnings
- For more tips visit: <https://www.cityofhighland.org/360/Storm-Preparedness>

PREPARE A FAMILY EMERGENCY PLAN

Review your family emergency plans and prepare for possible power outages and disruption to roads and services. Form a personal family plan and ensure that all household members:

- Know the safest path to access high ground.
- Know if they are already on high ground and where and when to stay in place.
- Know an alternate shelter close to your home.
- Know local emergency system broadcast information.

TURN AROUND, DON'T DROWN®

Remember these important points when driving in flood conditions:

- Do not try to drive across flooded roads.
- Six inches of water will reach the bottom of most passenger cars, causing loss of control and possible stalling.
- A foot of water will float many vehicles.
- Two feet of rushing water can carry away most vehicles, including sport utility vehicles (SUV's) and pick-up.

SAND BAG INFORMATION

A limited amount of sand and sandbags will be available to Highland residents, businesses, and organizations starting in December, prior to large storm events in partnership with the City of Highland and East Valley Water District (EVWD) at the following self-serve locations:

- Highland Station #1: 26974 Base Line, Highland 92346*
- Highland Station #2: 29507 Base Line, Highland 92346
- Highland Station #3: 7649 Sterling Avenue, San Bernardino 92410*
- EVWD Headquarters: 31111 Greenspot Rd Highland, CA 92346
- Sterling Natural Resource Center: 25318 5th St San Bernardino, CA 92410

***BAGS ONLY** AT THESE LOCATIONS

In order to ensure that materials will be available to all citizens in need, there will be a limit of ten (10) sandbags per household, organization or business. Bring a shovel and be prepared to fill your own sandbags

RESOURCES

TELEPHONE EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM (TENS)

- Register to receive emergency text messages on your cell phones at <https://sbcfire.org/alertwarning/>
- Those without Internet connections can sign up by calling 211 or (909)980-2857 for assistance.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE

- For current weather information, visit the National Weather Service site: <http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sgx/>

EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM (EAS)

- During an emergency, you should tune to your local Emergency Alert System (EAS) radio broadcast station for current emergency information.
- Inland Empire KFRG 95.1 KXFG 92.



INFORMATION

APPLY NOW!

VOLUNTEER

FOR THE:

COMMUNITY TRAILS COMMITTEE

The Community Trails Committee works with the Community Development Director and recommends priorities for public trails development, improvements, and maintenance for budget consideration and grant funding.

Download a Public Service Application from our website: www.cityofhighland.org



We Are Hiring!

JOIN OUR TEAM



Positions :

- Engineering Technician I - II
- Assistant Public Works Director

Join our team by visiting our website www.cityofhighland.org



The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Scholarship Program, in partnership with the California Transportation Foundation, provides **nine \$4,000 scholarships** for high school or community college students from the SCAG region.

Students in any field of study are invited to apply; however, preference is given to applications that demonstrate a commitment to civil engineering, community planning, political science, public administration, regional planning, sustainable development, urban planning, or other related fields.

Scholarship Program 2025

Program Requirements

RESIDENCY

Must be a resident of the SCAG region (i.e., Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, or Ventura counties, or on Tribal Lands within the SCAG region), and be eligible to work in the United States.

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

Must be a graduating high school senior or currently enrolled in a two-year community college in the SCAG region. Graduating high school seniors must enroll in higher education (two- or four-year college or university) immediately following graduation from high school (i.e., no gap year).

GPA MINIMUM

Candidates must have a 3.0 grade point average or higher (based on a 4.0, unweighted scale).

Application Materials

- To apply for the SCAG Scholarship Program, students must submit an [online application](#).
- Minimum 500-word personal statement describing your interest in civil engineering, community planning, political science, public administration, regional planning, sustainable development, urban planning, or other related fields and future career goals.
- Two letters of recommendation from (unrelated) individuals who can attest to their leadership ability and interest in public service.
- Transcript(s) from the school they are currently enrolled in. Community college students must provide both high school and community college transcripts.



DEADLINE

All materials for the 2025 SCAG Scholarship Program must be submitted electronically by:

5:00 p.m., Friday, March 21, 2025

CONTACT

Rachel Wagner
Scholarship Program Coordinator
(213) 236-1960
wagner@scaag.ca.gov

Saturday
March 29th



10 am -
3:30 pm

CITRUS HARVEST FESTIVAL

Come Celebrate the City's Rich Citrus History...
FUN FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY!

Located in the City's Historic District - on Pacific St. and Palm Ave

- **Live Entertainment**
- **Historic Walking Tour**
- **Car Show**
- **Food & Craft Vendors**
- **Historic Demonstrators**

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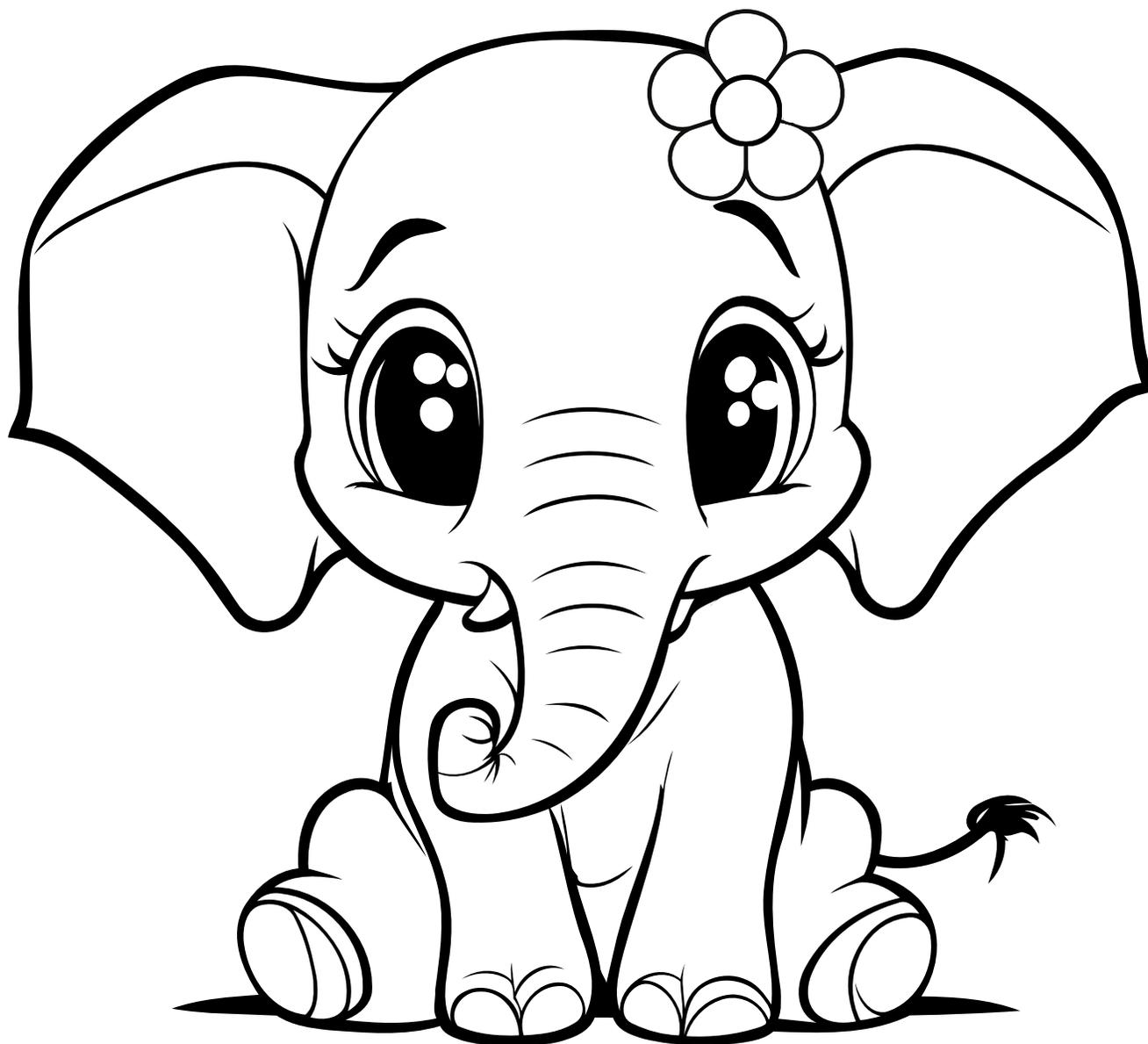
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www.cityofhighland.org
Info: (909) 864-6861

Apply Online Today: scaag.ca.gov/scholarship

ELEPHANT





CITY HALL

27215 Base Line
Highland, CA 92346
(909)864-6861

Monday - Thursday 7:30am - 5:30pm
Closed on Fridays

Special Counter Hours

Building & Safety: No permits issued after
5:00pm
Engineering: 7:30am - 4:00pm

HIGHLAND SHERIFF'S STATION

26985 Base Line Highland, CA 92346
(909)425-9793
For emergency calls, dial 911

FIRE STATION #1

26974 Base Line Highland, CA 92346
(909)862-3031

FIRE STATION #2

29507 Base Line Highland, CA 92346
(909)862-1760

FIRE STATION #3

7649 Sterling Ave. Highland, CA 92346
(909)884-4100

HIGHLAND SAM RACADIO LIBRARY

7863 Central Ave. Highland, CA 92346
(909)798-8490
Monday 10:00am-8:00pm
Tuesday 10:00am-8:00pm
Wednesday 10:00am-8:00pm
Thursday 10:00pm-6:00pm
Friday 10:00am-6:00pm
Saturday 9:00am-5:00pm
Sunday Closed

HIGHLAND FAMILY YMCA

7793 Central Ave. Highland, CA 92346
(909)864-8297

HIGHLAND CORPORATION YARD

7935 Central Ave. Highland, CA 92346
(909)863-0284

HIGHLAND SENIOR CENTER

3102 Highland Ave. Highland, CA 92346
(909)862-8104

YOUR COMMUNITY

HIGHLAND CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Penny Lilburn - District 3
Mayor Pro Tem Larry McCallon - District 5
Councilmember Gregory Hogan - District 1
Councilmember Jimmy Saldana - District 2
Councilmember Johh P. Timmer - District 4

ELECTED OFFICIALS

San Bernardino County Third District Supervisor Dawn Rowe
(909)387-4855
<https://bosd3.sbcounty.gov/>

Assemblymember James C. Ramos 45th District
<https://www.jamesramos.org/>

Congressmen Pete Aguilar 33rd District
(909)890-4445
<https://aguilar.house.gov/>

Senator Alejandro "Alex" Padilla
<https://www.padilla.senate.gov/>
(202)224-3553

Senator Laphonza Butler
<https://www.butler.senate.gov/>
(202)224-3841

State Senator Rosilicie Ochoa Bogh District 23
<https://sr23.senate.ca.gov/>
(909)335-0271

UTILITIES

AT&T Phone Service
(800)310-2355

Burrtec Waste Industries, Inc.
5455 Industrial Parkway San Bernardino, CA 92410
(909)889-1969

East Valley Water District
31111 Greenspot Road Highland, CA 92346
(909)889-9501
<https://www.eastvalley.org/>

Southern California Edison
(800)684-8123

Southern California Gas Company
(888)607-4357

OTHER HELPFUL RESOURCES

- Caltrans (909)383-4285
- City of Redlands (909)798-7500
- City of San Bernardino (909)384-7272
- City of San Bernardino Animal Services (909)384-1304
- Highland Chamber of Commerce (909)864-4073
- Highland Post Office (909)864-2463
- Omnitrans (800)966-6428
- San Bernardino County (909)387-2020
- San Bernardino County Animal Control (800)472-5609
- South Coast AQMD 1-800-CUT-SMOG (288-7664)

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