



CITY OF CITRUS HEIGHTS REACH OUT

Residents' Empowerment Association of Citrus Heights

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*A Monthly
Publication to
Keep Area
Residents
Informed of City
Projects and
Events*



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UPCOMING EVENTS



- Monday, March 7..... 6:00 pm.....REACH Monthly Meeting
- Monday, March 7..... 7:00 pm.....History & Arts Commission Meeting
- Wednesday, March 9 7:00 pm.....Planning Commission Meeting (Cancelled)
- Thursday, March 10..... 7:00 pm.....City Council Meeting
- Wednesday, March 23 7:00 pm.....Planning Commission Meeting (Cancelled)
- Thursday, March 24..... 7:00 pm.....City Council Meeting

These dates are subject to change: For up-to-date information about events please refer to the City website at: www.citrusheights.net.

City Hall Phone Directory

City Hall Offices	725-2448
Community Center	727-5400
Building Division	727-4760
Business Licenses	727-4907
Garbage/Recycling	725-9060
General Services	727-4770
Job Line	727-4900
TDD	725-6185
Animal Services	725-PETS
Animal Lost and Found	727-4850
Planning Division	727-4740
Pothole Reporting	727-4770

Police

General Business	727-5500
Non-Emergency Dispatch	727-5500
Watch Commander	727-5522
Crimes tip-line	727-5524
Narcotics tip-line	727-5523
Traffic hotline	727-5525
Code Enforcement	725-2845
Emergency Services	dial 9-1-1

R.E.A.C.H. represents the interests of the community and its citizens and encourages participation in neighborhoods to improve the quality of life in our city. **R.E.A.C.H.** meets the 1st Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Police Department Community Room, (6315 Fountain Square Drive). Visit www.citrusheights.net or call (916)725-2448 to find out more about the neighborhood group that serves in





From the desk of the Chief



Baker to Vegas; B to V - whichever abbreviation you pick, grueling is still the adjective that best describes it. On March 19th and 20th, the Citrus Heights (CHPD) and Folsom (FPD) Police Departments will once again team up to run what is called the largest foot pursuit of its kind in the world. Indeed, police organizations from all over the United States, Canada, and parts of Europe form relay teams to compete in this 120 mile run through the desert, enduring punishing heat by day, piercing cold at night.

Started in 1985 by two Los Angeles police officers, the Baker to Vegas Challenge Cup Relay Race is comprised of 20 stages. It begins in Baker, California, and finishes in Las Vegas, Nevada and now boasts over 8,000 runners, guests, family members, and support staff. The race has indeed grown over the years, specifically in entries and categories. While 19 teams took part in the first race ('85), the number of teams now competing has been capped at 270. As well, the race was originally only for sworn law enforcement; the categories have been expanded to now include probation officers, district attorneys, US attorneys, and full time civilian police personnel. Despite its overwhelming success, the core ideals of the race: teamwork, camaraderie, physical fitness, and competition - are still at the heart of what has now become the largest law enforcement event of its kind in the world.

So why do we do it? Proceeds raised for the race, (over and above those needed to participate), are used to help support local community programs. Funds we acquire through this effort go to the Citrus Heights Police Activities League (CHPAL), a non-profit, charitable youth organization established in 2010 to encourage positive interaction between police personnel and the youth in our community. CHPAL's primary goal - to constructively mentor and influence local at-risk youth - is accomplished through a variety of recreational activities. Officers volunteer their time to 'work' with the children, that is, interact with them through football, basketball, baseball, hikes, a Youth Academy, field trips, and much more. While doing so, in this safe environment, officers educate PAL participants on drug and gang awareness, help them develop new friendships and discover new hobbies, and impress upon them the importance of making productive choices. For these kids, developing positive attitudes and strengthening essential life skills early on can greatly impact their lives for the better.

Interested in working with us on the Baker to Vegas Challenge Cup Race, CHPAL, or any of the many other opportunities CHPD offers to get involved? Visit: www.citrusheightspd.net

Did you Know?

Calling all Chemicals!

Did you know that several of the things we use at home are actually HARMFUL to throw away in our regular trash and recycling bins? Materials known as Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) can cause problems when tossed in your garbage or recycling bin. These materials are toxic and pose a threat to human safety and the health of the environment. It is not acceptable to throw any toxins in the trash, down the sink, in a storm drain or outside. If they come in contact with humans, animals, water, or soil, they can be harmful.

Luckily, Republic Services is here to help! Republic is holding three HHW collection events during the 2016 year. At these events, bring any and all of your accepted HHW, and Republic Services will make sure they are disposed of properly and responsibly.

Acceptable Material

Household Chemicals
Household Cleaners
Acids
Automotive fluid
Pesticides
Vehicle batteries
Gasoline
Paints
Solvents
Fluorescent lamps/tubes



Unacceptable Material

Ammunition
Explosives
Radioactive Material
Pharmaceuticals
Household batteries
Home generated sharps
Used motor oil
Used oil filters

Join Republic Services in making Citrus Heights safer and cleaner! Details of the free HHW collection events are below:

Dates: April 9th, June 18th, October 15th
Time: 8am-1pm
Where: Sunrise Mall; 6041 Sunrise Blvd
(in the parking lot behind Women's Macy's)
RSVP: Appointments are strongly encouraged
but not required
Call: (916) 638-9000 or (916) 725-9060

Animal Services

Sacramento County Animal Care and Regulation and the Sacramento SPCA are offering FREE spay and neuter options!

Cats Only: Animal Spay and Neuter Clinic locations:

Sacramento location: next to the Bradshaw Animal Shelter at 3839 Bradshaw Road, Sacramento, 95827; 916-368-7314

Auburn location: 3524 KOA Way, Auburn, 95602; 530-889-8800

See more at:

<http://www.saccounty.net/news/latest-news/Pages/County-“Spay-It-Forward”-Program-Offers-No-Cost-Spay-and-Neuter.aspx>

Dogs and Cats: Sacramento SPCA Spay and Neuter Clinic (appointments required):

Dogs: (916) 504-2810

Cats: (916) 504-2811

See more at: <http://www.saccounty.net/news/latest-news/Pages/Sacramento-County-Allocation-Sacramento-SPCA.aspx#sthash.SGevmXRR.dpuf>

Keep them on a Leash

Did you know in Citrus Heights dogs must be on leash on public property ?

Luckily, we have an off leash dog park in the City at the C-Bar-C Park! Sunrise Recreation and Park District is responsible for the park maintenance. A local dog owner group, Pet Owners Of Citrus Heights (P.O.O.C.H.), helps maintain the supply of bags for removing animal waste and some of the toys and park amenities. POOCH also sponsors fundraising events and participates in local events such as the Red, White & Blue Parade in June and the Howl'o'ween Parade in October.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/poochdogpark>

CHMC Sec. 8-46 - Dogs at Large.

No person shall permit or suffer a dog to stray from private property owned or legally possessed by the dog owner or the person who has a right to control the dog unless the dog is restrained by a leash or lead not exceeding eight feet in length,



NEW* Lost & Found **HOTLINE** ~ Citrus Heights Animal Services
916-727-4850 Afterhours and Weekends

Help our On-Call Animal Services Officers reunite owners & pets!!



Animal Services

Sacramento County
in partnership with
Animal Spay and Neuter
present

SPAY it Forward Campaign 2016

**FREE SPAY & NEUTER FOR
ALL CATS IN SACRAMENTO**

This program is available for **all cats!**
Owned or homeless, tame or feral, that reside anywhere in the
 incorporated and unincorporated areas of **Sacramento County.**

Offer good until funds run out.

By appointment only.

Please call to schedule, appointments fill up quickly.

Sacramento Location
 3839 Bradshaw Road
(916) 368-7314

Auburn Location
 3524 KOA Way
(530) 889-8800

Help us help cats... Spread the word and SPAY it Forward!

** Rescue groups and animal agencies do not qualify for this offer.*



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Construction Projects



Project	Description	Status
Parkoaks Creek Bank Restoration Project - Brooktree Creek	Improvements to the creek bank at Parkoaks Drive and Brooktree Creek to prevent further creekbank erosion.	Construction is expected to take place in spring 2016.
Sunrise Boulevard Complete Streets Project - Phase 3A	Pedestrian safety improvements along Sunrise from Antelope Road to Northern city Limits. Project will focus on the west side of Sunrise, and construct sidewalk, curb, and gutter; install access ramps and ADA upgrades and medians at the Twin Oaks intersection; modify the median on Sunrise north of Antelope; install street lights; resurface the entire roadway; and re-stripe traffic and bicycle lanes.	With the dry weather in February, the Contractor has continued to make progress on the traffic signal upgrades (at Twin Oaks), installation of the new medians and completion of curb, gutter, and sidewalk. Landscaping and final paving are tentatively scheduled for the second half of March (weather permitting) and the entire project should be complete around mid-April.
Twin Oaks Avenue / Mariposa Avenue Drainage Improvements Project	Add drainage pipes and improve drainage ditches along Mariposa and Twin Oaks Avenue to increase drainage capacity and reduce risk of flooding.	Staff has coordinated with SMUD to temporarily divert power away from overhead transmission lines without service interruption. Sub-surface sand deposit in the soil at the Twin Oaks intersection happens to be where the storm drain line is deepest, therefore construction of this section is very difficult and slow. To accommodate the soil conditions and for safety purposes a detour will need to be in place during construction hours 7:00am to 5:00pm, Monday through Friday for about 3 weeks. This work is tentatively scheduled for March pending weather conditions.

For more information on these projects, or other Capital Projects, please contact the General Services Department at 916-727-4770.



Construction Projects



Project	Description	Status
Storm Drain Annual Cleaning	Storm drain cleaning will concentrate in the Neighborhood Areas 11 and 5. Approximately 250,000 lf of storm drains are scheduled to be cleaned.	Approximately 250,000 lf of storm drains were cleaned in 2015. Staff continues to identify and respond to resident requests for cleaning in other areas of the City as they come up.
New City Hall and Medical Office Building (MOB) Project - Fountain Square Drive	Please see the New City Hall/MOB Project website	On December 1, 2015, the project reached a significant milestone as crews raised the concrete walls of the new City Hall. Next, contractors will focus on grading and paving the parking lot and installing curbs and gutters. The new City Hall facility is on target for a late summer 2016 completion.
Mariposa - Glenn Avenue Slope Failure Rehabilitation Project	Cripple Creek has eroded the bank on Mariposa near Glenn and the shoulder on Mariposa is failing. This project will restore the shoulder and construct a retaining wall to prevent future failures.	This project will be ready to bid in March and construction will begin in spring 2016.

For more information on these projects, or other Capital Projects, please contact the General Services Department at 916-727-4770.





Citrus Heights Community Center

The Community Center is currently at 5833 bookings since opening in 2010; the Center continues to be busy.

Rental Facilities: There are several options of available spaces at affordable prices for your next gathering. For more information or availability of the facility, please call (916) 727-5400 or send an email to dcarpenter@citrusheights.net.



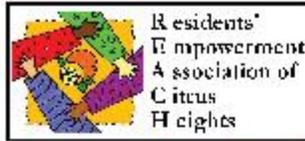
Sylvan Community Center

The Center is busy and fully booked.

The Sylvan Community Center facility is furnished with tables and chairs and includes a full kitchen and bathroom facilities. Parking is also available on site. The maximum building capacity for a meeting or general assembly is 65 people or 50 people for a dinner or banquet. The Sylvan Community Center is an alcohol and smoke free venue. To check for availability and pricing, call (916) 727-5400 or email sylvancommunitycenter@citrusheights.net.



COME JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS!



Your Local Neighborhoods Help Make Citrus Heights a Great Place to Live!

Get involved and make a positive impact in your neighborhood!

Congratulations! As a resident of Citrus Heights, you are a member of a Neighborhood Association! You are invited to join your neighbors at their regular meetings, to volunteer in local events and make a difference in your community! The Neighborhoods are here to help you. Best of all, you don't have to pay dues or own your home in order to belong.

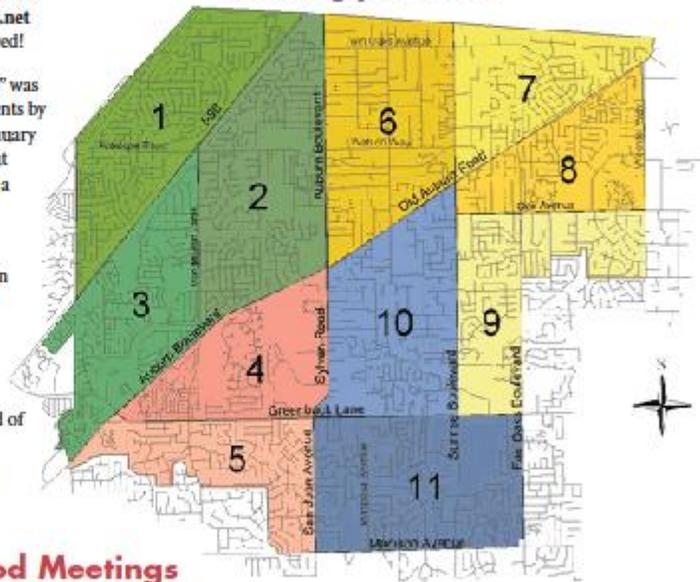
Anyone who lives, rents, or owns property or a business in Citrus Heights can get involved! Citrus Heights is divided into 11 Neighborhoods, and each Neighborhood is represented by a Neighborhood Association (Areas 7 & 8 are combined). Visit the City's website www.citrusheights.net and find out more information about how to get involved!

Did you know that the creation of the "Neighborhoods" was voted by the public as one of the Top 10 Accomplishments by the City of Citrus Heights since its incorporation in January 1997? You owe it to yourself and your family to find out why so many think the Neighborhood Associations are a wonderful benefit for residents of Citrus Heights!

The area groups usually meet once a month to solve neighborhood issues such as traffic or crime, to work on various projects, to host City information sessions, to network, have fun and much more.

All of the Neighborhoods are part of REACH (Residents' Empowerment Association of Citrus Heights). REACH is a coalition that consists of a Board of Directors composed of a representative from each neighborhood. REACH meets the 1st Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in Police Department Community Room (6315 Fountain Square Drive, Citrus Heights).

Check the map for the Neighborhood Group covering your area:



Citrus Heights Neighborhood Meetings

You're invited to attend a meeting in your neighborhood! All meetings start at 7:00 p.m.

Area #1 - Northwest	Sierra Meadows Mobile Estates (7600 Daly Ave.)	3 rd Tuesday
Area #2 - Rusch Park	Ascension Lutheran Church (7607 Garden Gate)	3 rd Thursday
Area #3 - CHANT	Police Dept. Community Room (6315 Fountain Square Dr.)	2 nd Tuesday
Area #4 - Arcade Creek	Police Dept. Community Room (6315 Fountain Square Dr.)	1 st Tuesday
Area #5 - Park Oaks	Advent Lutheran Church (5901 San Juan Ave.)	3 rd Thursday
Area #6 - Sunrise Ranch	Twin Oaks Ave Baptist Church (7690 Twin Oaks)	4 th Tuesday
Areas #7/8 - CHASE	Round Table Pizza (7700 Sunrise Blvd. #1100)	3 rd Tuesday
Area #9 - Sunrise Oaks	Christ Fellowship Church (7227 Canelo Hills)	1 st Wednesday
Area #10 - Sylvan Old Auburn	Sylvan Community Center (7521 Community Rd.)	4 th Monday
Area #11 - Birdcage Heights	Skycrest School (5641 Mariposa Ave.)	3 rd Wednesday



SACRAMENTO PUBLIC LIBRARY

Schedule of Events

Sylvan Oaks Library, 6700 Auburn Blvd., Citrus Heights

Sunday & Monday: Closed; Tuesday & Wednesday: 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Thursday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.;

Friday: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m.; Saturday: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

For details, telephone the Sacramento Public Library at (916) 264-2920 or visit www.saclibrary.org.



March 2016

SUNDAY		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
CLOSED		CLOSED	10 – 8	10 – 8	10 – 8	1 – 6	10 – 5	
Sylvan Oaks Library 6700 Auburn Blvd., Citrus Heights			1 Tuesday Movie Madness : 6 pm  "Shaun the Sheep" (2015, PG, 85 min, Lionsgate)	2 Toddler Storytime : 10 am and 11 am Science Club : Reptiles : 4 pm	3 Sensory Storytime : 10:30 am Prom Dress /Formal Wear Giveaway : 4 pm	4	5 Teen Volunteer Training : 11 am	
		6 TEEN TECH WEEK	7	8 TEEN TECH WEEK 8-Bit Art : 4 pm	9 Toddler Storytime : 10 am and 11 am Family Craft : Rainbow Art : 4 pm	10 Storytime Music & Movement : 10:30 am	11 Coffee, Donuts, & a Movie : 1:30 pm  "Little Nellie Kelly" (1940, 96 min, Warner Bros)	12 Book Club for Adults : 10 am Second Saturday Art : Egg Art : 2 pm
		13	14	15 Teen Advisory Board : 4 pm	16 (<i>Storytime on break</i> <i>until 4/6</i>) Bird Fun! with Hawks, Honkers, & Hoots : 4 pm	17 (<i>Storytime on</i> <i>break until 4/14</i>) Tween Book Club : 4 pm	18	19 Sensory Storytime : 10:30 am
		20	21	22	23 (<i>Storytime on break</i> <i>until 4/6</i>)	24 (<i>Storytime on break</i> <i>until 4/14</i>) LEGO Mania 3:30 pm	25 Sit & Stitch: Knit the Sky : 1 pm	26 Autism-Friendly Family Movie : 10:30 am  "Shaun the Sheep" (2015, PG, 85 min, Lionsgate)
		27 CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY	28	29	30 (<i>Storytime on break</i> <i>until 4/6</i>)	31 CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY	Tuesdays: Job Coach 5-7 pm Wednesdays: Tech Help 2-3 pm	Thursdays: Job Coach 4-6 pm Saturdays: Tech Help 11 am-12

Citrus Heights First-Time Homebuyer Program

Need Help Purchasing a Home? THE CITY CAN HELP!

The City's First-Time Homebuyer program provides low-interest loans of up to \$40,000 to low-income homebuyers that may be used for a down payment and closing costs.

Low-Interest Loans

The low-interest loan is structured as a second mortgage. The loan will have a rate of 3.00%, a term of 30 years with no required monthly payments. The total sum of the loan, with interest, will be due at the end of the 30-year term, upon sale or transfer of the property or if the borrower no longer occupies the home as their primary residence. The borrower must contribute a minimum of 1.00% of the purchase price. The actual amount of assistance is based on financial capacity.

Get Started Today!

If you would like to learn more about the program or begin the application process today, contact a NeighborWorks Sacramento representative today. The HUD-certified counselors can assist you with achieving your homeownership goals.

NeighborWorks Homeownership Center

www.nwsac.org

leonor@nwsac.org

(916) 452.5356 Ext. 1230

If you would like to contact a City representative regarding First-Time Homebuyer Program, call Nicole Piva at (916) 725-2448 or npiva@citrusheights.net



WWW.CITRUSHEIGHTS.NET



Eligibility Requirements

- The applicant **must not** have owned a home as a principal place of residence within the past (3) complete years.
- The property must be located within the city of Citrus Heights. The property may be a single-family dwelling or condominium unit. Multi-unit structures and mobilehomes are **not** eligible.
- The applicant must meet the low-income household requirements.
- **Income Limits** table in the column to the right. The current maximum income is calculated by applicant family size.

Low-Income Limits

Household Size	Maximum Annual Income
1	\$38,550
2	\$44,050
3	\$49,550
4	\$55,050
5	\$59,550
6	\$63,900
7	\$68,300
8	\$72,700

Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 2014



FREE SPAY OR NEUTER!
Any Citrus Heights CAT!
Owned, Stray or Feral!

FREE Spay/Neuter vouchers
thanks to PetSmart Charities!
Contact:

Citrus Heights Animal Services
916-725-7387 (PETS)

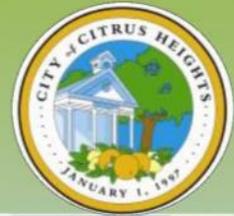
Sacramento Area Animal Coalition
www.sacanimal.org
River City Cat Rescue
www.rivercitycatrescue.org

TIPS—FEEDING CATS AROUND WILDLIFE

- Remove feeding dishes before dark
- Vaccinate whenever possible.
- Feeding will attract ALL neighborhood outdoor cats & wildlife looking for a free meal—know your population.
- Interested in Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) pilot program? Call Citrus Heights Animal Services 916-725-7387

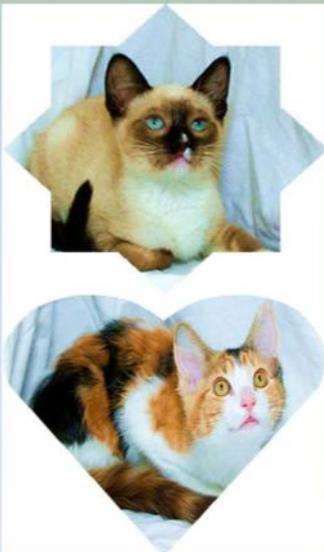
WARNINGS—FEEDING CATS NEAR WILDLIFE

- Cats' exposure to Rabies by wildlife increases.
- Attracts wildlife—raccoons, skunks, rodents & coyotes.
- Habituates wildlife to feeding on left over food
- Provides coyotes with prey.
- See **Keep Me Wild** at US Dept. Fish & Wildlife.
<http://www.dfg.ca.gov/keepmewild/>



Adopt a City Kitty!*

Every Saturday & Sunday at PETCO Citrus Heights!



Meet your purrfect best friend
ANY Saturday & Sunday
10 am – 4 pm in **PetCo** Citrus Heights
6067 Greenback Lane
(corner of Auburn & Greenback)
Adopt a **locally** rescued kitten or cat!
Cats and kittens are friendly,
fixed and vaccinated!



Call Citrus Heights Animal Services
for more information: 916-725-7387

***Adoption fees apply**

All our adoptees are:

*FelV/FIV tested * Spayed or neutered * Vaccinated * Dewormed * Flea treated * Microchipped*



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
February 10, 2016

Contact: Luz Maria Robles, Public Information Officer
Office: 916.405.2082 | **Cell:** 916.416.8337
E-mail: lrobles@FIGHTtheBITE.net

WARM TEMPERATURES BRING MOSQUITOES

Elk Grove, Calif.— Feels like spring is in the air and with the warmer than normal temperatures for this time of year, mosquitoes are out and looking to bite. "We see this every year in February when we get a few days of warm, sunny weather," said Gary Goodman, Manager of the Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District. "These are mosquitoes that had been hibernating during the past few months and are now very actively biting" indicated Goodman. Fortunately these mosquitoes are not the same species that can transmit West Nile virus and are only considered a seasonal nuisance. Over the past few days the number of service requests received by the District has increased significantly. "Since people are spending more time outside, they are noticing mosquitoes more and are giving us a call," indicated Goodman. "Residents are mainly reporting mosquito breeding sources, requesting mosquitofish or a home inspection" he added. While the official start of spring is more than a month away, a warming trend is expected for the next week and it's important for residents to inspect their property and drain any stagnant water they may find in flowerpots, buckets, birth baths or other small containers. Personal protection against mosquito bites is also critical, so always wearing an effective mosquito repellent while spending time outside is also a good protective measure.

Mosquitoes and Zika virus have made headlines over the past few weeks; however it's important to note that the mosquitoes active now are **not** the same species that can spread the disease. Zika virus is transmitted by the bite of infected *Aedes* mosquito species, specifically *Aedes albopictus* and *Aedes aegypti*. While the District's surveillance program is actively looking for these invasive mosquito species, they have not been detected within Sacramento or Yolo County. However, they have been found in other areas throughout California including San Mateo, Madera, Fresno and Los Angeles.

To report stagnant water sources, request a home inspection or if you are being bothered by mosquitoes, please call 1-800-429-1022 or fill out a service request online at www.FIGHTtheBITE.net

For information about Zika virus please visit www.cdc.gov/zika/index.html or www.cdph.ca.gov/HealthInfo/disecond/Pages/MosquitoBorneDiseases.asp

Practice the District D's of Mosquito Prevention:

DRAIN standing water that may produce mosquitoes.
DAWN and **DUSK** are times to avoid being outdoors.
DRESS appropriately by wearing long sleeves and pants when outside.
DEFEND yourself by using an effective insect repellent. Make sure to follow label directions!
DOOR and window screens should be in good working condition.
DISTRICT personnel are also available to address any mosquito problems. Call them at 1-800-429-1022 or visit www.FIGHTtheBITE.net

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Sacramento Yolo Mosquito & Vector Control District

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This event is produced by HART in coordination with police, city and sshh.

CITRUS HEIGHTS VETERANS STAND DOWN

WEDNESDAY MARCH 30, 2016
Holy Family Church | 7817 Old Auburn, Citrus Heights



HOW YOU CAN HELP, DONATE OR SERVE:

- DENTAL SERVICES
- PERSONAL CARE ITEMS
Tooth brushes, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, soap
- CLOTHING
Clothing, Socks, Boots, Tshirts
- VETERINARY SERVICES
- PET FOOD
- WATER
- COFFEE
- SOFT DRINKS
- FOOD/SNACKS
- HAIRCUTS
- ADOPT A MEAL
Breakfast or lunch for 100 - 125 people

TO DONATE, CONTACT:

Darlene Lyons: darlene@ezevents.net | 916-726-7404
 Katherine Corley: kcorley@citrusheights.net | 916-727-4952
 Your donation is tax Deductible. Sacramento Self Help Housing is a 501 c(3) organization. Tax ID# 68-0217383

WHAT IS STAND DOWN?

The original Stand Down was designed for homeless Veterans and modeled after the "Stand Down" concept used during the Vietnam War to provide a safe retreat for units returning from combat operations. At secure base camp areas, troops were able to take care of personal hygiene, get clean uniforms, enjoy warm meals, receive medical and dental services, mail and receive letters, and enjoy the camaraderie of friends in a safe environment. A Stand Down afforded battle-weary soldiers the opportunity to renew their spirit, health, and overall sense of well-being. Achieving these objectives requires a wide range of support services and time. Stand Downs are successful because we bring many services to one location, making them easily accessible to homeless and struggling veterans.



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