



Diamond Bar CONNECTION

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Family Day of Tennis Play

If you enjoy spending time with your family, being outdoors and playing sports, the City's newest recreation event is just the ticket.

Family Day of Tennis Play, hosted by the City's Parks and Recreation Department in partnership with Tennis Anyone, takes place Saturday, September 15 from 9 to 11 a.m. at Pantera Park.

Designed as a casual, family-friendly drop-in style event, attendees will have a chance to play tennis games and get quick tips on stances, grips and techniques from Tennis Anyone staff. There will also be fun activities and contests organized outside of the courts, and free refreshments will be provided.

Admission is free and open to Diamond Bar residents of all ages. Prior playing experience is not necessary, and all equipment will be provided. Pantera Park is located at 738 Pantera Drive.

For more information and to register visit www.diamondbarca.gov/specialevents or call 909-839-7070. A special prize will be given to all families that preregister; limited quantities are available.

Registration Open for CERT Training

There are still a few spaces available for the upcoming Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) course that will be taught by Los Angeles County Fire Department personnel over the course of three consecutive Saturdays: September 29, and October 6 and 13 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, CERT trainings prepare participants to respond to a variety of emergency situations. They consist of 20 to 24 hours of classroom lessons and hands-on instruction in areas that include fire suppression, light search and rescue, basic first aid, medical triage, and disaster psychology. A certificate of completion is awarded to participants at the end of the course.

Individuals must be at least 18 years old to participate. Advance registration is required no later than Wednesday, September 26 and can be made online at www.fire.lacounty.gov/CERT. Questions may be directed to Community Services Liaison Leticia Pacillas at leticia.pacillas@fire.lacounty.gov.



Restaurant Week Only Weeks Away

More than a dozen restaurants are poised to serve up special menus, deals and discounts during this year's Diamond Bar Restaurant

Week happening Friday, October 5 through Sunday, October 21.

Everyone who lives or works in the area is encouraged to participate in this once-a-year dining promotion. In addition to supporting participating restaurants while enjoying a dish, dessert, or drink at a discounted price, participants will have the opportunity to submit their meal receipts for a chance to win one of several prizes.

Now in its third year, DBRW is aimed at celebrating and showcasing the numerous and diverse dining options in town. It is sponsored and organized by the City in partnership with the San Gabriel Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce.

As of early August, participating restaurants included: B.R.B. (Bento, Rolls and Bowls), Cityplus Coffee & Roaster, Dilliwalla Indian Kitchen, Encore Teppan, DB's Grille & Lounge (Holiday Inn), It's a Grind Coffee House, Jasmine Mediterranean & Persian Cuisine, Jimmy John's Gourmet Sandwiches, King Bap, Mandarin Taste Restaurant, Mr. G's Pizzeria & Pasta, Old Chengdu Restaurant, Paper Pot Shabu, Peacock Gardens Cuisine of India & Banquet Hall, Roundtable Pizza, Snowy Village Dessert Café, The Attic Restaurant & Playground, The Whole Enchilada, and Vista Pointe Deli.

Individual restaurant profiles and their DBRW deals, as well as details about the Dine & Win restaurant receipt drawing are available online at www.dbrrestaurantweek.com.

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Emergency Notification

The City recently transitioned to a new emergency notification system, and is urging everyone who lives or works in Diamond Bar to take a moment to register or update their contact information.

Unblocked landline phone numbers, and emails and cellphones registered in the previous system have been programmed into CivicReady, the new notification system; however, it is important for everyone to visit www.diamondbarca.gov/emergencyalerts and complete their profiles with current contact information, and also select a preferred language and way to be contacted: phone call, email or text.

CivicReady will be used to alert subscribers of a variety of emergency situations that include earthquakes, floods, fires, and other weather hazards; severe traffic incidents and power outages; and law enforcement activity or other threats to health and safety. In addition to alerts of an imminent or in-progress emergency, subscribers will also occasionally receive routine test messages.

Individuals without internet access or those having trouble with registration may contact the City's Public Information Division at 909.839.7055 for assistance.

Public Records

The debut of an online public records request portal is the latest enhancement made to the City website.

This portal is aimed at making City records – except those exempt from disclosure by state law – easier to locate and more accessible to residents and members of the public. It consists of a library and an online request tool.

The library currently holds a variety of City records that include adopted ordinances and resolutions, building permits, and archived agendas and minutes of past city council and city commission meetings; additional records will be posted in the coming months. The tool makes it convenient for people to electronically obtain copies of records not posted on the library by allowing requests to be submitted, tracked and fulfilled through the portal.

Additional information and access to the portal is available at www.diamondbarca.gov/publicrecords.

Trash Collection, Street Sweeping

If you often find yourself unsure of your street sweeping or trash and recycling collection days and times, you will find a new mapping tool on the City website useful and convenient.

Created using geographic information system software, this new tool can be quickly accessed by clicking on the "How Do I" tab at the top right corner of the City website homepage at www.diamondbarca.gov. To locate your designated sweeping or collection day and time, simply enter your home address.

In the coming months, additional web-based maps will be created and added to the City website to help with locating and obtaining details of nearby parks, trails, and shopping centers, as well as public works projects.

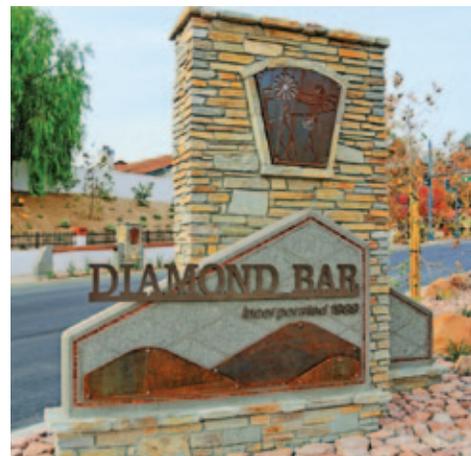
Two City Entryways to Receive Makovers

Work is set to start early this month on two public works projects that will better define and improve the appearance of north and west entry points into the city.

The areas of Diamond Bar Boulevard at Temple Avenue, and Golden Springs Drive at Calbourne Drive, will get new entry monument signs as well as decorative and landscape enhancements that will complement and continue the city streetscape design theme that started with the Grand Avenue Beautification Project at the intersections of Diamond Bar Boulevard and Longview Drive.

Created in 2015, the city streetscape design theme incorporates hills, windmills and diamond shapes – symbols that have long been linked to Diamond Bar – as well as other elements and materials that pay homage to the area's ranch heritage such as the wooden rails, weathering steel panels, canyon clay angular rocks, and accent boulders.

The cost to complete both of these projects is approximately \$500,000 and will be paid for using general fund dollars; completion is expected in late October.



This monument entry sign that marks the entrance into Diamond Bar on Grand Avenue at Longview Drive, coming from Chino Hills, stands 10 feet tall and is illuminated at night. The new signs being constructed as part of these current streetscape improvement projects will be modeled after this one.

Free Vendor Spaces at BARK TOBER fest

Planning is underway for Barktoberfest, the City's third annual Halloween-themed event for dogs and their owners, and the City is extending a special invitation to local pet-related organizations and businesses to apply to participate as vendors. There is no cost to participate, however, vendors are required to bring products to sell or information to hand out, space signage and props, as well as free treats to give to event-attending dogs. Spaces are limited and applications will be reviewed in "first received- first processed" order up until the deadline Friday, September 28. Barktoberfest will take place Saturday, October 13 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Pantera Park, located at 738 Pantera Drive. More information and the vendor application can be found online at www.diamondbarca.gov/specialevents or by calling the City's Parks and Recreation Department at 909.839.7073.

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City Plus Coffee

1155 S. Diamond Bar Blvd., Ste. A
<https://city-plus-coffee.business.site>
909-396-4478

Open: Mon – Wed, 7 a.m. - 9 p.m.

No matter the time of day, this coffee shop is a local favorite because of its quality and variety of coffee that is roasted and brewed on site, its handcrafted hot and iced beverages that include teas and herbal infusions, and its fresh-baked desserts that include muffins, croissants, waffles, and crepes. Paninis and other lunch items are also available.

Have a moment? Visit the City's official YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/DiamondBarCA to check out a quick promotional video clip of City Plus Coffee.



General Plan Update Moving Toward Draft Stage



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GENERAL PLAN UPDATE

The multi-year process of comprehensively updating the Diamond Bar General Plan that began in fall 2016 is nearing the draft stage.

Efforts during recent months were focused on drafting guiding policies with a long-range perspective on how decisions about growth and

development will be reached in matters that deal with land use, circulation, housing, conservation, open space, noise, safety, community character and placemaking, and community health and sustainability.

Once these policies are in place, drafts of both the Diamond Bar General Plan and its accompanying Environmental Impact Report will be prepared and shared with community members and the general public for review and comment.

Residents and business owners are encouraged to stay informed and get involved in the Diamond Bar General Plan Update by visiting the dedicated project website at www.diamondbargp.com, and signing up to receive email notification of upcoming opportunities to provide input and attend meetings.

Back to School Safety

Now that school is back in session, here is a reminder to pedestrians and drivers alike that preventing accidents is a shared responsibility. Here are a few tips to help ensure a safe travel for students on their way to and from school.

Behind the Wheel

- Lower your speed and remain alert for pedestrians – 25 mph is the maximum speed when children are present.
- Watch for and yield to pedestrians in crosswalks and at all intersections – they have the right-of-way at these locations.
- If a vehicle stops in front of you, slow down and be practice patience – it may have stopped for pedestrians.
- Never pass a school bus while it is stopped with flashing red lights and stop sign out – children are either boarding or getting off.

On Foot

- Cross the street only at signalized or marked crosswalks, and check for oncoming traffic in all directions before stepping off the curb.
- Make eye contact with drivers to make sure they can see you before crossing in front of them.
- Eliminate opportunities for distraction such as the use of cell phone, hand-held games, or music devices.
- Watch for cars entering or exiting driveways or parking lots.

As an added security measure, the Diamond Bar/Walnut Sheriff's Station will be committing additional law enforcement resources at school zones and key city intersections to strictly enforce traffic safety laws, including speeding, cell phone use, illegal parking, jaywalking, and non-seatbelt use.

SCHOOL HAPPENINGS



Armed with stencils, reflective glass beads and a spray paint compressor, staff members Victor Garibay (left) and Jason Fuentes from the City's Public Works Department teamed up during the summer to refresh all the school safety-related pavement markings within Diamond Bar's elementary and middle school zones before the start of the new academic year.



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Find it Fast Phone Directory

Unless otherwise specified, all telephone numbers listed below are in area code 909.

City Services:	839-7000
City Council	839-7010
Building & Safety	839-7020
Business Licenses	839-7030
City Clerk's Office	839-7010
City Manager's Office	839-7010
Community Development	839-7030
Facility Reservations	839-7070
Finance	839-7050
Human Resources	839-7018
Neighborhood Improvement	839-7030
Planning	839-7030
Public Works/Engineering	839-7040
Parks and Recreation	839-7070
Senior Services	839-7068
Transit Information	839-7045

Public Safety:	
Fire (LA County)*	629-9671
Police (LA Co. Sheriff)*	595-2264

24-Hour Hotlines:	
Building Inspection	839-7027
Employment Opportunities	348-8300
Field/Weather	348-8310
Graffiti Removal	800-794-7384

*For emergencies, call 9-1-1

Diamond Day at the Fair

If you considering going to LA County Fair, you may want to do so on Thursday, September 13.

As part of its City Days program, the Los Angeles County Fair Association has designated this day as "Diamond Bar Day" and is offering a special admission rate of \$6.60 just for Diamond Bar residents.

In addition to enjoying all that LA County Fair has to offer – food, games, rides, interactive exhibits, and shopping areas – you will also be supporting your hometown volunteers, businesses, nonprofits and youth organizations. Special Diamond Bar festivities include a parade, a high school marching band competition, and volunteer award presentations.

To receive the discounted admission rate of \$6.60 (regular weekday admission is \$14), tickets must be purchased online at www.lacountyfair.com/buytickets before September 11. Be sure to select the Community Day Fair Admission, and click on the promo/voucher button to apply the promotional code: diamondbar. This offer will not be valid at the Fair gate.



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Calendar Key

- City Council Meeting* - starts at 6:30 p.m.
- Planning Commission Meeting* - starts at 7 p.m.
- Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting* - starts at 7 p.m.
- Traffic & Transportation Commission Meeting* - starts at 7 p.m.

Street Sweeping Street sweeping is taking place somewhere within the city; see neighborhood signage for your street's designated day and time.

*City Council meetings are held at the AQMD/Government Center (21865 Copley Drive), and City Commission meetings are held at Diamond Bar City Hall (21810 Copley Drive). More details available at DiamondBarCa.gov/eventcalendar.