



Diamond Bar CONNECTION

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Pick Up Your Free City Calendars and Street Sweeping Schedules

Looking for a way to learn more about City services and amenities, and keep track of important

dates? The 2019 editions of the City's popular street sweeping schedule magnet and

Calendar & Services Guide are now available for pickup at:

Diamond Bar City Hall

21810 Copley Drive
Open: Monday – Thursday
7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Friday 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Diamond Bar Center

1600 Grand Avenue
Open: Monday – Sunday
7:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Diamond Bar Library

21800 Copley Drive
Open: Monday – Thursday
10 a.m. - 8 p.m.,
Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.



Healthy Diamond Bar Launch Event



HEALTHY DIAMOND BAR
FITNESS · WELL-BEING · RECREATION

If living a healthier, more positive and active lifestyle was one of your New Year's resolutions, then Healthy Diamond Bar – the City's new community well-being initiative – is just the ticket!

Healthy Diamond Bar is designed to be ongoing with year-round programs, activities or incentives to encourage and facilitate healthy habits and positive choices.

One of these programs is Connect with Rec, which will offer residents the opportunity to take part in a free monthly recreation activity suitable for all ages and fitness levels. Designed as a drop-in program, Connect with Rec activities do not require pre-registration and will be held at a different park or community facility every month.

The City will officially launch Healthy Diamond Bar at the first Connect with Rec event, slated for Saturday, January 12 from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Diamond Bar Center, located at 1600 Grand Avenue. The featured activity will be a free introductory ballet barre workout followed by a Tai Chi session. Both are low-impact exercises, but ballet barre involves movements and light equipment to tone, strengthen and increase flexibility, while Tai Chi involves moving meditation and mindful breathing to reduce stress and improve balance and posture. Arrive a few minutes early and wear comfortable clothes and athletic shoes.

For more information about Healthy Diamond Bar or to sign up for event reminders by email or text, visit www.diamondbarca.gov/healthydb.

Joining or Starting a Neighborhood and Business Watch



If you are not already a member of your local Neighborhood or Business watch, consider joining. Participation is free and voluntary, and your membership means you will:

- Stay informed of the latest crime trends
- Learn how to detect and report suspicious activity
- Make your home or business safer and more secure
- Solve safety issues affecting your area

There are more than 90 neighborhood and business watches already established in town. For help with starting a new watch or reviving an existing one, contact Diamond Bar City Hall at (909) 839-7000.

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December 2018



CITY OF DIAMOND BAR
**BUSINESS
OF THE
MONTH**



Bageloo

1200 S Diamond Bar Blvd., Ste 102
(909) 861-7456

Mon. - Fri. 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sat. 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Friendly helpful staff, pleasing sweet and savory aromas, and a contemporary, charming interior greet you upon entering this family-owned

and -operated eatery that serves freshly roasted coffee, a variety of bagels and pastries made from scratch and baked to perfection, and hand-crafted sandwiches prepared on milk bread or your choice of bagel. Have a moment? Visit the City's official YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/DiamondBarCA to check out a quick promotional video clip of Bageloo.

Free Workshop for Businesses to Focus on Retirement

If you own a small business and are contemplating setting up a retirement plan for yourself or your employees, you will want to register to attend the next SCORE workshop scheduled for Wednesday, January 30 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Diamond Bar Center.

The workshop, "Choosing a Retirement Plan for Your Business" will discuss the types of plans that best meet the needs of small businesses and the steps involved in setting up a plan.

City of Diamond Bar has partnered with SCORE since fall 2017 to offer free quarterly workshops as well as face-to-face mentoring to existing and aspiring small business owners. SCORE is a resource partner of the U.S. Small Business Administration, and its instructors and mentors are experienced or retired executives who are specially trained and certified in best practices for advising small business owners.

For more information or to register for the January 30 retirement plan workshop, visit www.diamondbarca.gov/business.

Subscribe to Council Meeting Recap

Council Meeting Recap is the newest topic to be added to the City's free subscription-based e-mail and text notification service.

Designed to provide a quick and simple summary of decisions taken and events that occurred during Diamond Bar City Council meetings, Council Meeting Recap will be posted on the City website the morning following each meeting. It is unofficial in nature, and does not substitute the official Council meeting minutes.

As a reminder, Diamond Bar City Council meetings are held the first

General Plan Update in Policy Drafting Phase



DIAMOND BAR
GENERAL PLAN UPDATE

Two-and-a-half years after the City embarked on the first comprehensive update of the Diamond Bar General Plan, the process is now in the policy drafting phase.

The policies being drafted are designed to guide future planning decisions in relation to land use, circulation, housing,

conservation, open space, noise, safety, economic development, and community character and placemaking. They are meant to be forward-thinking, future-needs focused, fiscally-and environmentally-responsible, and reflective of the community's long-term vision and priorities.

California state law requires every City and County to develop and adopt a long-term general

plan shortly after incorporation. The existing Diamond Bar General Plan has been in place since 1995.

It is anticipated that draft copies of the updated Plan and accompanying Climate Action Plan and Environmental Impact Report will be ready for public review and comment later this year.

Residents and business owners are encouraged to learn more and stay informed by visiting and bookmarking the dedicated project website at www.diamondbargp.com, and subscribing to be notified by email of upcoming meetings and other opportunities to get involved.

Questions or comments are always welcome by sending an email to generalplan@diamondbarca.gov or calling the City's Community Development Department at (909) 839-7032.

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and third Tuesday of each month starting at 6:30 p.m. in the South Coast AQMD Government Center Auditorium, located at 21865 Copley Drive.

Meetings are cablecast live on Charter Spectrum channel 3 and Frontier FIOS channel 47, and rebroadcast every Saturday and Sunday at 9 a.m. and alternate Tuesdays at 8 p.m. They are also streamed live and archived on the City website at www.diamondbarca.gov/meetings.

To learn more or to subscribe to Council Meeting Recap, visit www.diamondbarca.gov/citycouncil.

Nominations Open for Outstanding Volunteer Awards

If you know someone who gives of their time and skills to benefit others, the City's annual Outstanding Volunteer Awards are a great way to say thank you.

Nominees can be of any age, and are not required to live in town as long as their volunteer efforts benefit the Diamond Bar community. They can be business owners, educators, classmates, coworkers, neighbors, friends or family members.

Nominations are open until Friday, March 1, and may be submitted online at www.diamondbarca.gov/bday, or by completing and submitting a form, which is available for pickup at City Hall (21810 Copley Drive), Diamond Bar Library (21800 Copley Drive), and Diamond Bar Center (1600 Grand Avenue).

More than one nominee will be selected, and they will receive certificates of recognition by the Diamond Bar City Council and other local elected officials at the City's 30th Birthday Party on Saturday, April 13.

For more information, contact Recreation Coordinator Andrea Nino at (909) 839-7067.

City Birthday Party Vendor and Information Booth Opportunities for Nonprofits



Diamond Bar nonprofits looking for an opportunity to raise awareness or funds for their cause are encouraged to look into participating in the City's upcoming City Birthday Party.

For a \$100 participation fee, nonprofits can either get a 10-by-10-foot information booth space, or

sign up to work as a food vendor or game or ride supervisor. Game area and carnival ride supervisors each receive an equal share of half the proceeds raised through the sale of wristbands, while food vendors keep all funds generated by their respective sales. Interested nonprofits must submit a completed application to City Hall by the Friday, March 1 deadline.

The City Birthday Party is slated for Saturday, April 13 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Pantera Park, located at 738 Pantera Drive. It will commemorate Diamond Bar's 30th incorporation anniversary with live music and performances, a variety of food vendors, information booths, a business showcase, and plenty of fun activities for the entire family that include games, carnival rides and photo opportunities.

More details, including participation guidelines and application, are available by going online to www.diamondbarca.gov/specialevents or calling the City's Parks and Recreation Department at (909) 839-7070.



Home Improvement Loan Program

If your home needs important repairs or modifications that you do not have funds on hand to complete, the City's Home Improvement Loan Program may be the solution.

This program offers zero-percent interest, deferred payment loan of up to \$20,000 to qualified low-to moderate-income individuals or families. It is funded through the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant Program.

Eligible improvements range from energy efficiency improvements such as new windows and doors and accessibility modifications such as wheelchair ramps, railings and grab bars to emergency structural repairs that include a new roof or erosion control and stability landscaping.

To qualify for a loan, the applicant must own the home, live in the home as the primary residence, and meet the income criteria. Also, the property must be a single-family detached dwelling unit. More information and the application is available by contacting the City's Community Development Department at (909) 839-7030. Funds are limited, and applications will be considered on a first-come, first-processed basis until available funding is committed.



CHECK
BEFORE
YOU
BURN

Lighting the fireplace during cold weather months makes for a cozy environment, but it also contributes to harmful indoor and outdoor air pollution, which is why the South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) has a mandatory Check Before You Burn

program in place every November 1 through the end of February.

Under this program, mandatory no-burn alerts are issued when fine particle air pollution is forecast to reach elevated levels. During a no-burn alert, residents in affected areas are not allowed to burn wood – both indoors and outdoors. Alerts are typically issued for the entire South Coast Air Basin, which encompasses all of Orange County and the non-desert portions of Los Angeles, Riverside and San Bernardino counties.

There are three ways you can Check Before You Burn:

- Visit www.AirAlerts.org and sign up to be notified when a mandatory no-burn alert has been issued for your neighborhood
- Visit the Check Before You Burn map on the AQMD website at www.aqmd.gov for daily forecast information
- Call (866) 966-3293 toll-free for daily Check Before You Burn information

Wood burning violations on no-burn days can be reported by calling 1-800-CUT-SMOG or visiting <http://www.aqmd.gov/home/air-quality/complaints>.



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Elected Officials

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Mayor Pro Tem..... Steve Tye
Council Member Andrew Chou
Council Member Nancy A. Lyons
Council Member Ruth M. Low
City Manager Dan Fox

Postal Customer

This newsletter is published and mailed monthly to all residences and businesses in Diamond Bar. Care is taken to ensure the information printed in this publication is correct. If you find typographical errors or inaccuracies, let us know by calling (909) 839-7056.

Find it Fast Phone Directory

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

| | |
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| 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:

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| Fire (LA County)* | 629-9671 |
| Police (LA Co. Sheriff)* | 595-2264 |

24-Hour Hotlines:

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| Building Inspection | 839-7027 |
| Employment Opportunities | 348-8300 |
| Field/Weather | 348-8310 |
| Graffiti Removal | 800-794-7384 |

*For emergencies, call 9-1-1

The *6th Annual*
BRIDAL SHOW
@ DIAMOND BAR CENTER

February 24, 2019 • 11:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Free Bride and Groom Admission
Guest tickets online \$5 (plus fees) or \$10 at the door
VIP Tickets - First 100 receive:
Early Admission (10:30 a.m.) | Bridal Lounge | Special Raffle

Pre-Register at www.DiamondBarCenter.com

Info: (909) 839-7065 or bridalshow@diamondbarca.gov

1600 Grand Avenue
Diamond Bar, CA 91765
Exit Grand Avenue,
travel south 1.5 miles.
Free Parking

January 2019

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| 6 | 7 <small>Street Sweeping</small> | 8 <small>City Council Meeting</small> | 9 <small>Street Sweeping</small> | 10 <small>Traffic & Transportation Commission Meeting</small> | 11 <small>Street Sweeping</small> | 12 <small>Healthy Diamond Bar</small> |
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| 25 | 26 <small>Street Sweeping</small> | 27 <small>Street Sweeping</small> | 28 <small>Street Sweeping</small> | 29 <small>General Plan Advisory Committee Meeting (Details on page 2) Street Sweeping</small> | 30 <small>Street Sweeping</small> | 31 |

Calendar Key

City Council Meeting

Planning Commission Meeting

Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting

Traffic & Transportation Commission Meeting

Street Sweeping Check street signs for days and times of sweeping.

Healthy Diamond Bar free activity for all ages and fitness levels diamondbarca.gov/healthydb

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). All meetings start at 6:30 p.m. Agendas and minutes available at www.diamondbarca.gov/agendas.