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"Preserving Rural Tranquility"



Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Survey

We want your input for our Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Update! Please take a moment to provide your valuable input by responding to a brief survey **HERE**.

The Survey includes questions about community members' experience and familiarity with emergency conditions, level of preparedness for future emergencies, and preferred actions for the City to take to increase community resilience. Your input is a key ingredient needed to accomplish an effective Local Hazard Mitigation Plan!



Spinks Canyon Pile Burn Postponed to March 20 - 21

Due to rain on February 19 - 20, the Spinks Canyon Pile Burn will take place from March 20 - 21. The Los Angeles County Fire Department will be conducting a Prescribed/Pile Burn at Spinks Canyon. Ignition is set to begin at 8:00 a.m. and end at 2:00 p.m. each day. Fire personnel will be onsite and will monitor/ patrol the burn area throughout the week. The purpose of this Pile Burn is to reduce the excess fuel load from recent brush abatement work completed in the Spinks Canyon area. Smoke may be visible at the base of the foothills and surrounding areas above the cities of Bradbury and Duarte. Residents are encouraged to use caution when driving vehicles entering/leaving the area if affected by smoke. For more information regarding this project, please contact LA County Fire Department, Division II Office at (626) 974-8371. MAYOR PRO TEM Dick Hale, District 1 Dick.Hale@CityofBradbury.org

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"May your troubles be less and your blessings be more and nothing but happiness come through your door"

- Irish Blessing

SAVE THE DATE: SPRING COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP % THURSDAY, APRIL 11 - SATURDAY, APRIL 13

Save the date and don't miss the City of Bradbury's bi-annual Community Clean-Up! Burrtec will be collecting non-hazardous waste. Please bring your Burrtec trash bill for proof of residency.

Thursday, April 11th: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Friday, April 12th: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. *Saturday, April 13th: 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.

*On Saturday, April 13th, as part of the

Clean-Up, there will be a Shred Event, and from April 11th-13th there will be a Compost Giveaway at City Hall parking lot!

For more information, please call Burrtec at (626) 932-1558.

Drop-Off Locations:

- City Hall (E-Waste accepted at this location)
- Corner of Deodar Lane & Bliss Canyon Road
- Corner of Mount Olive & Gardi Street (E-Waste accepted at this location) Acceptable Items:

Furniture: Chairs, Couches, Mattresses, Tables

Appliances: Dishwashers, Refrigerators, Stoves, Washers/Dryers, Water Heaters Others: Bundles of lumber/tree branches

(48" max length), Toys, Electronic Waste (Collection of Electronic Waste will be located at City Hall and at Mount Olive & Gardi St.)



A QUICK & EASY CHECKLIST FOR YOUR LANDSCAPE:



FIND IT FLAG IT FIX IT Fix a Leak week is an EPA WaterSense nationally sponsored program that takes place between March 18-24th, 2024. This program encourages families to check for water leaks and drips throughout the home. It's also an opportunity to teach kids about water conservation and water resources. Research has shown that leaks can account for gallons and gallons of wasted water every day. About 10% of homes have leaks that waste 90 gallons of water per day. So, it's EPA's goal to inspire residents and commercial property owners to be aware of their water usage and nip water leaks at the drip!

For more information, click <u>HERE</u>.



EUCALYPTUS TREES & WILDFIRE

All eucalyptus species are prone to fire. The nature of the bark and oils make them highly flammable. Fire causes the trees to release a massive drop of seeds. However, they can be (and often are) maintained in a state that makes them relatively fire-resistant. Oftentimes the biggest concern about these trees is the dry bark that sheds and collects at the base of the tree – not the tree itself!

Maintenance and wildfire prevention:

You CAN make a eucalyptus tree much more resistant to ignition during a wildfire.

- Remove vegetation around the base of the trees
- Remove small-diameter lower limbs up to at least one-third of the tree's height
- Remove limbs within 10 feet of the ground
- Remove all dead wood, peeling bark, and twiggy growth REGULARLY
- Provide canopy separation so that no limbs touch nearby trees or plants
- Remove all "ladder fuels

Please contact a licensed arborist for an evaluation of the trees in question.



HHW/E-WASTE COLLECTION

All residents of Los Angeles County may also utilize temporary, one-day collection events throughout the County to properly dispose of HHW/E-Waste FREE of charge. Events are from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (unless otherwise noted). Rain or shine, collection events will be held as scheduled below:

- 03/02/24 <u>CITY OF DIAMOND BAR</u> @ 9 A.M. 1300 BLOCK OF BRIDGE GATE DRIVE, DIAMOND BAR, CA 91765
- 03/16/24 <u>CITY OF GARDENA</u> @ 9 A.M. 1200 W. 170TH STREET GARDENA, CA 90247

Community Spotlight: Foothill Unity Center

Last month, Bradbury City Staff had an opportunity to visit Foothill Unity Center to learn about all the services they provide to the San Gabriel Valley. For over 40 Years, Foothill Unity Center has helped neighbors in need with programs that focus on: Food, Health, Crisis Case Management, Job Development, Volunteerism and Housing and Homeless services. Furthermore, Foothill Unity Center hosts Special Annual Signature Events including: Annual Health Fair, National Letter Carriers Association's Stamp out Hunger Food Drive, Back to School Distribution, and more!



Avoid Being A Victim

It only takes a second for someone to break into your car and take your belongings. Many car break-ins happen because drivers don't lock their car doors.

Here are a few tips from the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department to avoid being a victim:

- Lock your car
- Don't leave valuables in the vehicle
- Leave purses and bags at home
- Park in well lit areas
- Report suspicious persons and/or vehicles to the Sheriff's Department

City Council Highlights

The City Council took the following actions on, <u>Tuesday, February 20th:</u>

- Discussed purchasing and installing a new pet waste station on the newly established Lemon Avenue Trail.
- Discussed the upcoming City Council Retreat.

Meeting agendas are posted at the City Hall entrance gate. The Tuesday, March 19, 2024 agenda will be available on the City's website by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 15th. To view upcoming agendas and prior City Council meeting minutes, please visit http://cityofbradbury.org/city-hall/city-council/agendas-minutes.

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B R A D B U R Y CALENDAR

First Friday Closure Friday, March 1, 2024

Public Safety Committee Meeting Thursday, March 14, 2024

St. Patrick's Day Sunday, March 17, 2024

City Council Meeting Tuesday, March 19, 2024

Planning Commission Meeting Wednesday, March 27, 2024

Easter Sunday Sunday, March 31, 2024





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| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 Public Safety Committee Meeting | 15 | 16 |
| 17 St. Patrick's Day | 18 | 19 City Council Meeting | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 24 31 | 25 | 26 | 27 Planning Commission Meeting | 28 | 29 | 30 |



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City Hall Hours Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Building Department Hours Tuesday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

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Planning Commission

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