



City Adopts Balanced Multi-Year Budgets

The City Council adopted the City's first multi-year budget this past June, covering the financial years of 2014-2015 and 2015-2016. The multi-year budget reinforces the City's commitment to long-term fiscal health by looking beyond a one-year time horizon. The budgets for both fiscal years are balanced and will continue to build the City's "rainy day" reserve accounts, as the City's finances gradually recover from the effects of the Great Recession. The budget included no new taxes or major service fee increases.

The City's total General Fund revenues for the upcoming budget are estimated at \$19.1 million. General Fund revenues

are used to support services such as the police department, public works, road repairs, street lights, parks, recreation, and the library. Over 71% of the City's total General Fund revenues are generated from sales taxes on items purchased in Signal Hill. The budget forecasts annual sales tax revenues of \$12.3 million. Property tax revenues are estimated at \$609,000, since Signal Hill is a "no-low" property tax City.

Signal Hill's other major revenue sources include the oil production tax, which is forecast at \$1.2 million, and permits and

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Gas Station at 2200 E. Willow Street

The Costco Gas Station is now open! The 16-pump gas station is located on the western portion of the site in conjunction with the existing Costco retail store in the Town Center East shopping center on Willow Street east of Cherry Avenue. Service at the gas station is for members only, therefore a membership card is required to activate pumps. This is a self-service facility allowing credit and debit card transactions only. Weekday hours are 6:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and weekend hours are 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. ■

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Chipotle, Sprint, Starbucks and Bank of America

Construction is nearing completion at the Gateway Center, just south of the 405 Freeway at Atlantic Avenue. The community will be welcoming

a new Chipotle restaurant, Sprint retail and service center, a free-standing Bank of America kiosk with two ATMs, and a Starbucks with indoor and outdoor dining areas and a 24-hour drive-thru. New trees and shrubs will frame the area along with the



mature pepper tree kept safe throughout the process. The tree will be pruned and shaped to allow for drive-thru vehicle access.

The contemporary

building features a cultured stone veneer on pilaster bases, tower elements, and outdoor dining/seating areas with planters, a trellis, and umbrellas which will provide a beautiful setting to eat, shop, do your banking, and enjoy the view. ■

Stormwater – What is it?



You may have heard the terms “stormwater” or “urban runoff,” and wondered how it affects you and why you should care. After all rain is good, right? Well, yes, rain is always good in southern California,

but it's what the water picks up on its way to the ocean that's a cause for concern. Stormwater can pick up debris, chemicals, dirt, and other pollutants as it flows into our storm drains. Water runoff from lawn sprinklers mobilizes these same pollutants during southern California's dry periods.

Like in the movie *Finding Nemo*, here in So Cal, all drains lead to the ocean. Anything that enters the storm drain is discharged *untreated* into waterbodies we use for water sports, fishing, and providing our drinking water. Stormwater runoff is the leading cause of water pollution in our region, prompting beach closures due to trash, debris, and harmful levels of bacteria and other pollutants.

What are the most common pollutants?

Runoff, whether from rain or lawn sprinkler water spilling down the gutter, is tainted by a host of contaminants from many different places including bacteria from pet waste not picked up, copper from auto brake pads, zinc from tire wear, automotive fluids that leak onto the pavement, and pesticides and fertilizers that flow from lawns and gardens.

What can I do to help?

Don't deposit trash or litter on city streets. Don't dispose of motor oil or antifreeze into gutters. Adjust your sprinklers so they don't overspray onto streets and sidewalks. Use lawn and garden pesticides and fertilizers sparingly so little to none washes away. Don't sweep yard waste in the street to clog storm-drains; compost or mulch it for your garden. Washing your car in the street can send detergents and other contaminants through the stormwater system. If you can, wash your car on your lawn and use biodegradable detergents. Repair automotive leaks so oil and other fluids don't fall on the streets and wash into our stormdrains. Pick up pet waste and dispose of it properly.

Let's keep our waterways healthy. For more information on this topic visit <http://water.epa.gov/polwaste/npdes/stormwater/>. ■

Award Corner

We all appreciate beautiful neighborhoods, attractive businesses, and those who care for our planet's precious resources. The City of Signal Hill has two recognition programs and we'd like to give a round of applause to a couple of award winners in our community.

The first of the City's programs is the **Sustainability Award** presented by the Sustainable City Committee (SCC) to recognize those who employ sustainable practices and have a positive environmental mentality. Recently, Mayor Wilson presented the award to the Promontory Crest Homeowners Association for improvements to their common areas, irrigation system, and lighting fixtures. These improvements led to decreased costs for water and electricity by approximately 40% overall. Meetings of the SCC are open to the public, and everyone is welcome to attend.



The **Beautification Award** was put in place to commend those who make improvements to their property, including exterior modifications, landscaping, and enhancing the neighborhood. Award winners are recognized at a meeting of the Planning Commission. The Commission's most recent award was presented to Signal Hill Petroleum for landscape improvements to their property on Willow Street east of Walnut Avenue. The improvements include new perimeter fencing, planting more than 500 plants on all exterior sides, and installation of an automatic irrigation system. Anyone with a Signal Hill residence or business can be nominated for the Beautification Award. Visit the City's website, select Departments, and the Community Development tab, and you'll see the Beautification Award option on the left.

Congratulations, Promontory Crest and Signal Hill Petroleum. We thank you for your contributions to our community! Again, we invite you to attend both the SCC and Planning Commission meetings, and consider nominating a home or business for these awards. We'd be delighted to hear from those who live in and enjoy our city so much. ■



Got Parking? Remember When ...

Remember that feeling you had when you got your first car? You washed it and waxed it, and kept it in the garage. Now the garage has been taken over and it's time to clean it out. So how about having a garage sale? Or, share a storage unit with a friend? Maybe make some charitable contributions. Just think how great it will feel to park your car in the garage again, and at the same time do your part for your neighborhood to free up on-street parking spaces. See our "Got Parking" flyer on our website for ideas – www.cityofsignalhill.org; select Departments, Community Development, Neighborhood Enhancement. ■



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fees which are estimated at \$1.1 million in revenues. The Police Department's annual budget is \$8,427,400, while the Public Works budget is \$4,439,785. No new full-time employees were added to the budget, which will remain at 110 employees. However, the City Council approved a part-time emergency coordinator in the Police Department. The coordinator will assist in developing neighborhood preparedness plans and improving the City's emergency response capabilities.

The City's two-year capital improvement program totals \$17,383,406, with \$8,543,000 devoted to street improvement projects in the next two years. The Council authorized overdue maintenance projects, such as the repainting of City Hall and repairing steps and walkways. The City will also purchase one Community Services van this fiscal year,

and another Community Services van and three patrol cars in the second fiscal year.

The impetus for the two-year budget came from a recommendation from the Los Angeles County Civil Grand Jury in 2011. The Civil Grand Jury reviewed the financial practices of all charter cities and recommended that cities adopt multi-year budgets as part of "best practices." The Civil Grand Jury noted that multi-year budgets can ensure better planning for the delivery of basic services before funding projects of lower priority.

The Civil Grand Jury also commended Signal Hill for its prudent budget reserves. The budget projects our General Fund reserves at \$6,016,379 and the Economic Uncertainties Reserve Fund at \$5,077,159, for a total of 61% of the budgeted expenditures. The Civil Grand Jury reported that a number of Los Angeles County

cities carry less than 20% of budgeted expenditures in their reserve account and many do not have "rainy day" reserves. Signal Hill established a budget policy of maintaining a minimum reserve rate of 50% to anticipate economic downturns or the loss of a major sales tax producer. Signal Hill's reserve policy was prudent, since during the depth of the Great Recession, Signal Hill's sales tax revenues plunged by 28% in one year alone.

Despite the multi-year balanced budgets, there are budget uncertainties on the horizon that the City needs to plan for. Future budget challenges include the anticipated increases in the retirement rates set by CalPERS, the City's retirement fund. CalPERS notified all of its local agencies that they will be raising contribution rates over a five-year period, beginning July 1, 2016. In order to assist in dealing with the proposed rate increases, the City established a PERS reserve fund and continues to build this reserve fund. Additionally, City employees are required to contribute into their retirement fund. As part of the multi-year budget, the City Council requested a public workshop to study potential water rates increases. Signal Hill's water rates have not been increased in four years, while the City's costs to purchase replenishment water have grown by 80% since 2009. Additional information and copies of the City's budget can be found on the City's website at www.cityofsignalhill.org. Information can also be obtained by contacting the City Clerk's office at 562-989-7305. ■

90th Anniversary Celebration



We hope you have enjoyed the various events during the past several

months in celebration of the City's 90th Anniversary. As these events come to a close, we would like to invite you to attend the Annual Tree Lighting on Wednesday, December 3, at 5:30 p.m., at Discovery Well

Park. In recognition of the 90th Anniversary, the theme for this event is an "Old Fashioned Tree Lighting." Visit with Santa and enjoy classic carolers while we light the City's holiday tree. Inclement weather will cancel the event.

City Clerk and City Treasurer Retirements and Appointments

The City would like to congratulate City Clerk Kathleen Pacheco on her recent retirement. Kathee served from April 1994 to June 2014, the City's longest tenured city clerk having been elected for five continuous, uninterrupted terms of office. The city clerk is the local official for the City who administers democratic processes such as elections, access to City records, and all legislative actions ensuring transparency to the public.

Likewise, in July, City Treasurer Emerson Fersch resigned his position as he relocated out of the City. Emerson served from March 2003 to July 2014. Emerson's contributions to the City include the development and implementation the City's investment policy and management of the City's investment portfolio which was \$35.3 million in March 2003, to its present amount of \$47.1 million. Emerson assisted the administration and finance departments in developing the City's annual budget plan, capital improvement plan, long-range plan, the monitoring of surplus funds, management of all banking relations and activity, and receipting of all revenue activity.

The City wishes Kathee and Emerson the best in retirement from public service.

On July 29, the City Council appointed City residents Robert Copeland as City Clerk, and Larry Blunden as City Treasurer, respectively, to fill these unexpired terms. Robert and Larry will serve as the appointed incumbents to these offices until the next General Municipal Election which will be held on Tuesday, March 3, 2015. The city clerk and city treasurer receive a stipend of \$300.00 per month for their activities. ■

Important Dates to Note

Tip-A-Cop

Wednesday, September 24, 5:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Signal Hill and Long Beach Police Departments will be waiting tables at Famous Dave's, 300 S. Pine Avenue, as celebrity servers! The gratuities received by these officers will benefit local Special Olympics Southern California Long Beach athletes. For more information see www.sosc.org.

National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

Saturday, September 27, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Turn in your unused or expired medication for safe disposal at the Signal Hill Police Department, 2745 Walnut Avenue. For more information on this program, please visit www.dea.gov. ■

Signal Hill Police Department Open House



The Signal Hill Police Department held its 1st Annual Open House on Saturday, May 10, between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

This free event was open to the public and provided the opportunity to walk through our facility where informational booths were staffed by our Ham Radio Operators, Police Volunteers, and Police Officers. Tours were conducted throughout the station with a Volunteer, Cadet, or Officer escorting the public through the various departments, which included Records, Dispatch, Detective Bureau, Briefing Room, Emergency Operations Center, and the Jail facility. Free hot dogs and beverages were served throughout the day.

Please check the City website next year for information regarding the 2015 open house, which will once again be scheduled during the month of May. We look forward to seeing you there!

The Drought Continues



On January 17, 2014, a state of emergency was declared to exist due to the severe California drought. These extreme drought conditions persist throughout the state due to a lack of rain and snowfall over three straight years. In fact, this year's drought is on track to be one of the worst in the state's recorded history. It is threatening the water supplies of cities and towns; causing major economic harm to farms; and endangering wildlife. It has left the state's reservoirs at alarmingly low levels.

The hot weather is here and this is when the City incurs its peak water usage. Managing water usage wisely now counts the most. On May 20, 2014 the Signal Hill City Council declared that a Level 1 Water Supply Shortage exists and that a consumer demand reduction of 10% is necessary to ensure sufficient supplies will be available to meet anticipated water demands. The following residential water conservation requirements and prohibitions are in effect within the City of Signal Hill to help achieve water savings.

1. Watering of lawns and landscaped areas restricted to three days a week – Monday, Thursday and Saturday.
2. The approved watering schedule for lawns and landscaped areas is before 9:00 a.m. and after 4:00 p.m. Watering during the hottest part of the day causes unnecessary water loss due to evaporation.
3. Water duration on automatic sprinkler controls is limited to 7 minutes per water station.
4. Watering or irrigating of lawns and landscaped areas that allow water flow or runoff to an adjoining area is strictly prohibited.
5. Washing down driveways and sidewalks is prohibited.
6. Operating a water fountain or other decorative water feature that does not use recirculated water is prohibited.
7. Using water to wash a vehicle is only permitted with a hand-held bucket or a hand-held hose equipped with a self-closing water shutoff nozzle.
8. An obligation to fix leaks, breaks, or malfunctions within 72 hours. Eliminating leaks right away will not only save precious water, it will save money.

If the drought continues and the City does not achieve sufficient water savings, a Level 2 Water Supply Shortage may be necessary. This would necessitate more stringent regulations to achieve a 20% reduction in water usage and limiting watering of lawns to two days per week, and limits on filling or refilling swimming pools and spas.

Watch for a Special Edition of City Views coming in October to provide more information on the drought and water saving measures.

Signal Hill Public Library

1770 E. Hill Street
(562) 989-7323
www.cityofsignalhill.org/library

Library Hours:

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Closed Sundays & Holidays

Programs for Youth

In-N-Out "Cover to Cover" Reading Incentive Program

October 4 – November 15



Children ages 4-12 can earn an In-N-Out Burger certificate for a free hamburger or cheeseburger by reading five books independently or having books read to them during the

program dates. Participants can sign up at the Signal Hill Public Library.

Family Movie Night

Friday, October 24, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Ages: Any

Cost: Free



You are invited to Signal Hill Public Library's showing of *Wallace & Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit*. This movie won the Academy Award for Best Animated Film in 2005. It was also the New York & Los Angeles Film Critics' Best Animated Film winner. This movie is rated G and is 93 minutes long. Register for the event

by calling (562) 989-7323 to reserve your space and be entered into the drawing for the movie tie-in books & DVD. Popcorn, candy, drinks, and a take home craft will be provided.

Legos & More

Saturdays, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Ages: 5-12

Legos are fun as well as educational. For younger children, Legos develop dexterity along with math readiness skills, such as sorting and patterning practice. Older children sharpen abilities such as creativity, problem-solving, three-dimensional thinking and teamwork. *Legos & More Saturdays* include Lego building, crafts, games and a story time.



BARK Therapy Dogs

(Beach Animals Reading with Kids)

3rd Saturday of each month

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.



On the 3rd Saturday of each month BARK Dogs, who are registered therapy canines, visit the Signal Hill Public Library. Research shows children who read regularly to a therapy dog increase their reading fluency by 12% to 20%.

Since school is just beginning, this is a great time to take advantage of this FREE program. Below are some dates BARK dogs will be at the Library:

- September 20
- October 18
- November 15
- December 20

Library Card Sign-Up Month



September is *Library Card Sign-Up Month* – a time when libraries across the country remind parents that the most important school supply of all is @yourlibrary® – it's your library card! To get a

Signal Hill Public Library card for children under 18, a parent or legal guardian must present a valid ID (California Driver's License or Identification Card) and documentation of current address, such as a recent piece of mail, personal check, car registration, or utility bill.

Story Time

Babies and Toddlers Ages 0-2 years old

Wednesdays, 11:00 a.m.

Preschoolers 3-5 years old

Fridays, 10:00 a.m.

Story Time programs are designed to stimulate young minds by introducing literature, music and movement. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to participate to make a meaningful experience for their child. Snacks are included.



Programs for Adults

Book Club in a Bag

Looking to start a book club in your community? We can help! Our *Book Club in a Bag* program provides all you need to start a book club for 10 people. Each bag contains 10 copies of each book and a list of questions for the moderator. *Book Club in a Bag* sets can be checked out for a period of six weeks by patrons who hold a current library card. For a list of available titles go to the library website at www.cityofsignalhill.org/library, or call (562) 989-7323.

First Fridays' Book Club (over 18 years)

Meets the first Friday of each month

11:30 a.m.

Fiction and non-fiction titles are discussed over a light lunch. The following are upcoming titles:

October 3: *Defending Jacob* by William Landay

November 7: *Child of God* by Cormac McCarthy

December 5: *And the Mountains Echoed* by Khaled Hosseini

Night at the Library – Fall, Foodies and Fun

Monday, November 3

6:00 p.m.

Cost: Free

Come and spend an evening discussing all things food! Our guest chef will teach you how to prepare two holiday dishes that will delight even the most sophisticated palates. We'll also review our favorite recipes, cookbooks and blogs. More info coming soon!

Books for the Homebound

If you live in Signal Hill and are unable to visit the library, you may arrange for the library to come to you! We can arrange for pickup and delivery of your favorite books or audio visual materials. Call the library at (562) 989-7323 for more information.

everyoneon Computer Assistance

Signal Hill Public Library is proud to join the National Digital Literacy campaign, "Everyone On!"

Sign up for one of our free one-on-one tutorial sessions and improve your computer skills. We offer the following classes:

- Beginning Internet Skills
- Beginning Computer Skills
- Beginning Email Skills

Sessions are 30 minutes in length and are available by appointment only. Participants are limited to two 30-minute sessions per month. To make an appointment call (562) 989-7323.



Signal Hill Social Club

2nd Thursday of each month

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Bring your friends for a morning of coffee and conversation at the Signal Hill Public Library during this special time just for adults aged 55 and older. Enjoy activities such as bingo, bridge, and dominoes; get help with computers or spend time browsing books. Free coffee and refreshments will be served.



September: Poker and Fun

October: Bingo for Prizes

November: Holiday Card Making/
Holiday Crafts

December: Gift Exchange – Please bring
a small gift valued at \$10

Excursions for the Active Adult

Please Note: All Excursions Are Subject To Change

Old Town Music Hall Halloween Special

El Segundo

Thursday, October 2

Departure: 11:00 a.m. Return: 5:00 p.m.

Cost: Resident: \$30/Non-Resident: \$35



Since 1968, Old Town Music Hall has been showing vintage silent and sound films, and presenting live concerts by some of the world's finest performers of jazz, ragtime, and popular

music from the past. At this historic theater, silent films are accompanied by the Mighty

Wurlitzer, a massive 1925 wind-powered pipe organ that has been meticulously preserved so that silent classics can be experienced with live musical accompaniment, just as they were when they were first shown. During October, the Hall will be decorated in Halloween-themed decorations and will feature the classic horror film "The Invisible Man." After the movie, we will enjoy lunch at the Richmond Grill.

Air, Land, and Sea Tour

Santa Ana

Wednesday, October 22

Departure: 9:00 a.m. Return: 5:00 p.m.

Cost: Resident: \$54/Non-Resident: \$59



Join us for an exciting tour throughout Orange County with stops at the Lyon Air Museum, lunch at Harborside Restaurant, and a boat tour through Newport Harbor. The Lyon Air Museum Tour houses authentic aircraft, rare vehicles, and memorabilia from events through the 20th Century.

Riley's Farm Luncheon

Wednesday, November 5

Departure: 9:45 a.m. Return: 5:45 p.m.

Cost: Resident: \$25/Non-Resident: \$30

Enjoy Southern California's lovely fall weather as we head out into the beautiful orchard countryside for lunch and a day of activities from the late 19th Century. We will be traveling to Riley's Farm in Yucaipa for lunch where you'll choose between classic home-style potpie or delicious English roast beef. All lunches include a green salad and a fresh apple crisp dessert. After lunch, we will dip old-fashioned candles, and enjoy a classic hayride through the orchard. There will also be time to browse through the general store to buy a fresh apple pie if you wish.

Autry Museum Route 66 Tour and Lunch

Los Angeles

Friday, November 21

Departure: 9:30 a.m. Return: 3:00 p.m.

Cost: Resident: \$25/Non-Resident: \$30



Connecting Chicago to Los Angeles, the 2,400-mile-long highway was a witness to history and a symbol for America on the move. *Route 66: The*

Road and the Romance travels the iconic road from its inception in 1926, through the drama of the Great Depression, to its heyday as a travel destination, and the route's eventual displacement by the Interstate Highway System. The exhibition concludes with a contemporary look at the road and the movement for its preservation. After perusing the exhibit, we'll enjoy lunch at the Crossroads Café on site at the Autry.

Reagan Library White House Christmas Lunch

Los Angeles

Wednesday, December 17

Departure: 10:00 a.m. Return: 6:00 p.m.

Cost: Resident: \$50/Non-Resident: \$55

Enjoy a wonderful holiday luncheon with White House style at the Reagan Library. We'll view the California Christmas limited-time exhibit and then enjoy a buffet lunch in the Air Force One Pavilion. We will be treated to a guided tour of the museum and opportunity to walk through Air Force One as well.

and community members alike. The official tree lighting begins at 6:15 p.m., but come early to enjoy our activities! Inclement weather will cancel the event.

Halloween Carnival

Saturday, October 25, 3:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.

Signal Hill Park, 2175 Cherry Ave.

\$3.00 per person (Infants under 1 year old free)

Halloween is here, join us for Halloween carnival fun! This annual event makes for a perfect family outing and includes plenty of activities such as games, contests, and carnival areas for children.

We will also have a stage show, music, and great food. This awesome event can be enjoyed by ghosts, goblins and ghouls of all ages.



Cookies with Santa

Saturday, December 6

First seating: 1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m.

Second seating: 3:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.

Signal Hill Park Community Center, 1780 E. Hill St.

Pre-registration is required.

Resident registration begins on Monday, November 10

Non-residents registration begins on Monday, November 24

Cost: \$5 per person



Come and spend some time with Santa and Mrs. Claus as you decorate cookies, make crafts, and enjoy other holiday activities. There will be an opportunity for the children to take a picture with Santa. This event sells out. Register quick!

Youth & Family Events

Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony

Wednesday, December 3, 5:30 p.m.

Discovery Well Park

The public is invited to attend the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony which will officially ring in the start of the holidays and will mark the end of the 2014 celebration of the City's 90th anniversary. Enjoy a visit with Santa, festive treats, classic carolers, carriage rides and holiday music with Signal Hill dignitaries

Parents Night Out

Friday, September 19, and Friday, December 12

5:30 p.m.–9:30 p.m.

Signal Hill Youth Center, 1780 E. Hill Street

Ages: 4–13

Cost: \$15 per child

Need a date night? Looking for alone time? Bring the kids to enjoy an evening with the recreation staff that promises to be full of fun and surprises. The

children will enjoy group games, movies, pizza and more! Sign up at the Signal Hill Youth Center. Pre-registration required and closes when full. Please call (562) 989-7325 for more information.



Other Services

Animal Care Services

All dogs at least four months old are required to have a current dog license pursuant to SHMC 6.08.010. A permanent dog license tag is issued when a license is first purchased. To purchase a dog license, the owner may come to the Community Services Department at City Hall with the current rabies inoculation certificate, which must be good for the entire licensing period, and a certificate of sterility if the dog has been spayed or neutered. The fees are \$95 unaltered, \$20 altered, \$25 late fee. Seniors (age 60+) have a discounted rate of \$10. This discount is for one altered dog per household only; all others are at regular rates.

Low Cost Pet Vaccination & Microchip Clinic

Signal Hill Park, 2175 Cherry Avenue, 90755

Saturday, October 18, 10:00 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

Saturday, December 6, 10:00 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

Call for more information. (562) 989-7330

Park and Facility Rentals

Are you planning a family get-together in the park? Would you like to have a reception in one of our beautiful community centers? Permits are available from the Signal Hill Community Services Department to assist you with reserving a space. There are several parks and facilities to choose from. Applications and policies are available at www.cityofsignalhill.org, or call (562) 989-7330 for more information.

Recreation Scholarship Program

Don't let financial challenges get in the way of you or your family members enjoying our many wonderful recreation programs. Signal Hill residents who meet income qualifications may apply for Recreation Scholarship funds in the Community Services Department. It's quick and it's easy! Stipends are available each year to those who qualify.

Ages: K–5th grades

Signal Hill Youth Center, 1780 E. Hill Street

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, 3:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.

Thursday, 2:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.

Kinder Hours

Monday–Friday, 1:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m.

(562) 989-7329

ARC is an active program that encourages health and wellness through physical activity and nutrition. ARC is designed to provide high quality afterschool experience for children attending Alvarado and Signal Hill Elementary Schools. ARC participants can expect to spend their out-of-school time participating in enrichment activities, and learning about the importance of health and wellness with activities such as yoga, track and field, hiking, stretching, and more! Friendly staff members organize interactive activities for youth to experience a quality **supervised** recreation program.

TWEEN Program

Ages: 6th–8th grades

Signal Hill Park Community Center

Monday–Friday, 3:30 p.m.–6:30 p.m.

Join us after school for video games, dance competitions, dominoes, card games, ping pong, and more! Call (562) 989-7325 for more information.

Youth Sports Program

Co-ed Youth Basketball

Registration is on a first-come, first served basis.

Registration begins Monday, November 24, and closes Friday, December 12.

Register at the Signal Hill Youth Center, 1780 E. Hill St. (562) 989-7325.

In late fall we are excited to offer our FREE Youth Basketball program for all young basketball enthusiasts ages 5-12, boys, girls and co-ed teams. Games begin in January. Games will be played in Long Beach and weekly practices will be held at Signal Hill Park. Proof of birth date is required at the time of registration and space is limited!



City Views

News from the City of Signal Hill

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Friday7:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

City Hall (General) 989-7300
City Council 989-7301
City Treasurer 989-7319
Administration and City Clerk..... 989-7305
Business Licenses 989-7316
Community Services..... 989-7330
Signal Hill Park 989-7325

ARC Office..... 989-7329
Economic Development Projects 989-7379
Finance 989-7319
Job Line 989-7385
Library..... 989-READ (7323)
Personnel..... 989-7307
Planning/Community Development..... 989-7340
Police 989-7200
Public Works 989-7351
Service Requests..... 989-7250
Water Customer Service 989-7315
Water Conservation Hotline 989-7350
Water Quality Info..... 989-7250
Emergency/Paramedics “911”
Chamber of Commerce 424-6489
Long Beach Animal Control..... 570-PETS (7387)
Long Beach City College 938-4353
Long Beach Gas Dept.

New Service 570-5700
Emergency..... 570-2140
Long Beach Unified School District 997-8242
Los Angeles County Fire Station 60..... 595-1620
Signal Hill Disposal 597-0608
So. California Edison

New/Emergency (800) 684-8123
Charter Cable-Home (866) 499-8080 (toll free)
Charter Cable-Business..... (800) 314-7195
Verizon (888) 553-1555 (toll free)

City Facility Locations

City Hall..... 2175 Cherry Avenue
City Yard..... 2175 E. 28th Street
Library..... 1770 E. Hill Street
Police Department..... 2745 Walnut Avenue
P.R.I.D.E. Bureau 1919 E. Hill Street
Calbrisas Park 2451 California Avenue
Discovery Well Park 2200 Temple Avenue
Hillbrook Park 1865 Temple Avenue
Hilltop Park 2351 Dawson Avenue
Raymond Arbor Park..... 1881 Raymond Avenue
Reservoir Park..... 3315 Gundry Avenue
Signal Hill Park Youth Center &
Community Center 1780 E. Hill Street
Alvarado Elementary 1900 E. 21st Street
Signal Hill Elementary 2285 Walnut Avenue
Jessie Elwin Nelson Middle School
..... 1951 Cherry Avenue

City Holidays

City Offices will be closed on the following dates:

Veterans Day

Tuesday, November 11
(regular trash collection and street sweeping)

Thanksgiving

Thursday and Friday, November 27 & 28
(trash collection one day late, no street sweeping)

Christmas Day

Thursday, December 25
(trash collection one day late, no street sweeping)

New Years Day

Thursday, January 1, 2015
(trash collection one day late, no street sweeping)

City Council/Commission Meetings

(All meetings occur in Council Chamber of City Hall)

City Council & Successor Agency

Meeting: 1st & 3rd Tuesday Monthly
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Replays: Ch. 3 (Charter) and Ch. 38 (Verizon),
Everyday 7:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m.

Civil Service Commission

Meeting: 1st Wednesday Monthly
Time: 5:30 p.m.

Planning Commission

Meeting: 2nd Tuesday Monthly
Time: 7:00 p.m.

Parks & Recreation Commission

Meeting: 2nd Wednesday Monthly
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Oversight Board

Meeting: 2nd Thursday Monthly
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Housing Authority and Public Financing Authority (annual meetings)

Meeting: 1st Tuesday annually
Time: 7:00 p.m.

Sustainable City Committee

Meeting: 4th Tuesday in January, March, May,
July, September
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Agendas are posted on the City's website:
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