

# **CITY OF CITRUS HEIGHTS REACH OUT**

Residents' Empowerment Association of Citrus Heights

DECEMBER

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



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# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Monday, December 56:30 pmREACH Out Monthly Meeting
Monday, December 57:00 pmHistory & Arts Commission Meeting
Thursday, December 86:00 pmReception for Sue Frost and Roberta MacGlashan
Thursday, December 87:00 pmCity Council Meeting
Wednesday, December 147:00 pmPlanning Commission Meeting
Thursday, December 227:00 pmCity Council Meeting (Cancelled)
Friday, December 23HolidayChristmas Eve Holiday Observed City Hall Closed
Monday, December 26HolidayChristmas Day Holiday Observed City Hall Closed
Friday, December 30HolidayNew Year's Eve Observed City Hall Closed
Monday, January 2HolidayNew Year's Day Observed City Hall Closed

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

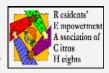
# City Hall Phone Directory

City Hall Offices
Community Center
<b>Building Division</b>
Business Licenses
Garbage/Recycling
General Services
Job Line
TDD
Animal Services
Animal Lost and Found
Planning Division
Pothole Reporting

# Police

725-2448	General Business	727-5500
727-5400	Non-Emergency Dispatch	727-5500
727-4760	Watch Commander	727-5522
727-4907	Crimes tip-line	727-5524
725-9060	Narcotics tip-line	727-5523
727-4770	Traffic hotline	727-5525
727-4900	Code Enforcement	725-2845
725-6185	Emergency Services	dial 9-1-1
725-PETS		
727-4850		
727-4740		
727-4770		

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 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Community Room, (6360 Fountain Square Drive). Visit www.citrusheights.net or call (916)725-2448 to find out more about the neighborhood group that serves in your area.





# From the desk of the Chief



2016 has been a year of celebration and of change for the Citrus Heights Police Department. The biggest change was the promotion of Chief Christopher Boyd to City Manager, and his appointment of me to serve as your new Chief of Police effective October 31<sup>st</sup>. My first month with the City has proven to be a rewarding experience and the beginning of a bright new chapter for me and the Department.

On June 26<sup>th</sup>, CHPD celebrated its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The celebration held on June 23<sup>rd</sup> also ushered in two newly appointed police lieutenants and sergeants, twenty peace officers, and seven professional staff members were ceremonially sworn in. Numerous awards were given out to both community members and police department employees for courageous acts of heroism and community service above and beyond expectation. Most notably, The Medal of Valor, our agencies highest honor, was given to four deserving employees who bravely and selflessly put their lives at risk during a very volatile and dangerous situation during the previous year. The ceremony was attended by over 500 guests including all police department personnel, local Chiefs and dignitaries, community members, family, and friends.

This year has also brought a great deal of change and sorrow to the law enforcement profession across our country. 132 officers have lost their lives in the line of duty since January 1, 2016. Despite the challenges our profession faces, we hold steady to our sworn-oath to uphold the law and to protect the citizens of Citrus Heights. The outpour of support from the City Council and the community has been truly incredible. There is no truer testament of our department's success than the support we receive from our community, especially during perilous times.

On behalf of the men and women of the Citrus Heights Police Department, I would like to sincerely thank our residents, business owners, service clubs, Mayor, Council Members, and City Manager for your overwhelming support and gratitude shown to us on a constant basis. Working side-by-side with the community we serve has undoubtedly contributed to our ongoing success as a police department. We continue to be humbled, inspired, and honored by you all.



# Citrus Heights Swears in New Police Chief Ron Lawrence

On November 10<sup>th</sup>, the City held a formal swearing-in ceremony for Citrus Heights Police Chief Ron Lawrence. It was a full house as City officials, staff, law enforcement colleagues, and community members gathered to welcome Chief Ron Lawrence to Citrus Heights.



Police Chief Lawrence began his tenure as Citrus Heights' second Chief of Police

on October 31, 2016. Chief Lawrence has over twenty-seven years of law enforcement experience in the Sacramento and Bay Area regions. He has an excellent reputation with law enforcement professionals in the region and statewide.

Lawrence said, "I am honored to oversee the exceptional police department former Chief and current City Manager, Christopher Boyd, worked so hard to build. This opportunity is exciting for me both personally and professionally. I am ready for a new challenge and am much looking forward to working alongside outstanding law enforcement professionals, that is, the men and women of the Citrus Heights Police Department."

Chief Lawrence is an Adjunct Professor with William Jessup University and a graduate of the FBI National Academy and California POST Command College. Lawrence holds a Masters in Leadership and a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice. He currently serves as the 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President of the California Police Chiefs Association.

The City held a reception for Chief Lawrence prior to the official swearing-in ceremony in front of the Citrus Heights City Council.



# City Receives Valuable Community Input at Rose Garden Meeting

On November 16<sup>th</sup>, City staff hosted a community meeting to discuss the feasibility of creating a rose garden on the southeast patio of City Hall, adjacent to the community room.

During the meeting, City staff members obtained valuable input from participants about their vision for the southwest patio. Next, the project team will organize the information collected at the November 16<sup>th</sup> rose garden meeting and present that data to the City Council for consideration.

Questions regarding the rose garden or meeting may be directed to Monica Alejandrez (916) 725-2448/ malejandrez@citrusheights.net or Chris Myers (916) 727-5400/cmyers@citrusheights.net.

# City to Host Reception for Council Member Frost and Supervisor MacGlashan

Prior to the December 8<sup>th</sup> Council meeting, the City will host a reception for Citrus Heights City Council Member Sue Frost and Sacramento County Supervisor Roberta MacGlashan at 6:00 PM in the lobby of City Hall. Following the reception, the regularly-scheduled City Council meeting will commence.

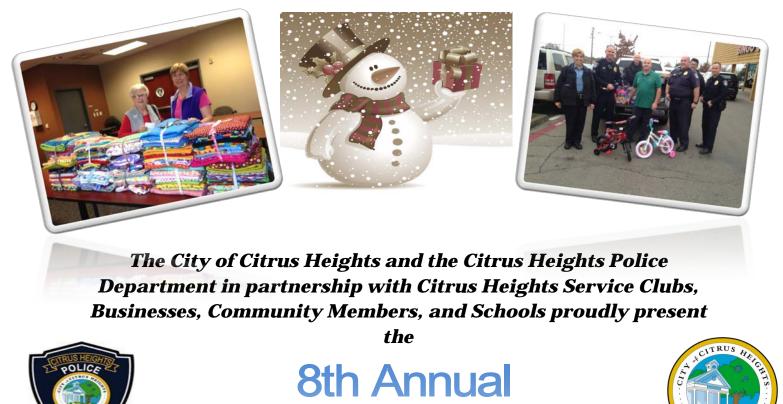
The December 8<sup>th</sup> meeting agenda includes certification of the election results, swearing-in of newly-elected City Council members, and selection of the mayor and vice mayor for 2017.



Council Member Frost was recently elected to succeed Supervisor MacGlashan as the District 4 representative on the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors. Voters elected Frost to the Citrus Heights City Council in November; she admirably served as mayor from December 2014 to December 2015. Frost will successfully complete her four-year term on the Citrus Heights City Council on December 8. During her term, Council Member Frost worked assiduously to promote fiscally responsible leadership, safe and secure neighborhoods, and economic growth to benefit Citrus Heights and the surrounding regions.

After serving on the Board of Supervisors for 12 years, Sacramento County Supervisor MacGlashan announced she will retire from the County after her term ends on January 2, 2017. MacGlashan was a member of the Citrus Heights Incorporation Project (CHIP) and served on the Citrus Heights City Council for seven years prior to her election to the Board of Supervisors in 2004. MacGlashan was integral to the Citry's successful incorporation effort and a defining member of the first Citrus Heights City Council.

The City invites the community to attend the reception for Council Member Sue Frost and Supervisor Roberta MacGlashan at 6:00 PM in the Citrus Heights City Hall lobby. In addition, the City Council will formally recognize both Frost and MacGlashan for their contributions during the regularly-scheduled City Council meeting at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers. For more information, contact Monica Alejandrez at (916) 725-2448 or <u>malejandrez@citrusheights.net</u>.



Holiday Referral Program

This program is designed to help families who reside in the City of Citrus Heights and have had a recent hardship over the last year.

We are looking for participants to adopt families, donate gifts, food boxes, gift cards, and new unwrapped toys.

For questions regarding this program, please email <u>holidayreferral@citrusheights.net.or call 916-727-5565.</u>

Please note that this is a **referral** only program. **The Citrus Heights Police Department will be accepting applications from Tuesday, November 1**<sup>st</sup> **through Sunday, November 20, 2016.** 

# Citrus Heights Police Department **Property Theft During the Holidays** Be On the Look Out!!!

Property crimes are crimes of opportunity. During the holidays, it is easy to forget to practice good crime prevention techniques. The Citrus Heights Police Department would like to encourage you and your loved ones to please take extra crime prevention measures to lower the risk of becoming a victim of theft this holiday season. Please remember:

- Lock and secure all windows and doors when leaving your vehicle
- DO NOT leave items of value in plain sight in your vehicle such as wrapped presents, GPS, laptops, newly purchased items, cameras, cell phones, tools, purses, briefcases, etc.
- Do not leave personal identification documents in your vehicle such as the title to your vehicle, bank statements, social security cards, pay stubs, mail, etc.
- Park in well-lit areas during night
- Install motion lights in front of your residence
- Use anti-theft devices
- NEVER leave your keys in your car
- Write down or take pictures of your serial numbers. Store them in a safe place or email them to myproperty@citrusheights.net so you can provide them to the police in the event that those items are stolen
- If you don't want to keep track of multiple serial numbers, engrave your driver license number on any items of valuethis way, you only need to know one number

Please report all suspicious people and vehicles to the Citrus Heights Police Department.

If you need to report a crime not in progress, please contact the Citrus Heights Police Department at 916-727-5500 or file an online report at www.citrusheightspd.net.

> If you have an emergency, dial 9-1-1 or dial our 7 digit emergency only line 916-726-3015.

The Citrus Heights Police Department wishes you a safe and happy holiday season !



# CHPD WINTER TIPS

Citrus Heights Police Department 6315 Fountain Square Dr. Citrus Heights, CA 95621

# Contacts:

Non-Emergency 916-727-5500

Emergency 911

www.citrusheights.net

# Christmas Savvy

Christmas holidays are a special time when families and friends come together to celebrate the season. It should be a joyous and happy time for all of us. Here are some suggestions to help prevent crime this holiday season.

- Don't openly display your Christmas tree and gifts in the front window so it's easily visible from the street. It's too tempting for them to smash the window and grab the wrapped packages.
- Burglars know to look for the hidden door key near the front entrance. Don't hide spare keys under rocks, in flowerpots, or above door ledges. Instead give the spare key to a trusted neighbor.
- Don't post your family name on your mailbox or on you house.

# Recognizing Drunk Drivers

It is important to be aware of your surroundings at all times, especially while driving during the holiday season. Unfortunately, there is an increased number of drunk drivers on the roads during the holidays. If you notice any of the following drunk driving signs, please notify the police department. Thank You!

- Making wide turns
- · Straddling lanes or driving on the center line
- Driving with headlights off at night
- Appearing to be drunk, such as eye fixation, face close to windshield, drinking in the vehicle
- Driving below the speed limit
- · Braking erratically or stopping without cause
- Responding slowly to traffic signals, such as sudden stops or delayed starts
- Nearly striking an object, curb, etc.
- Weaving or zigzagging across the road
- Driving on the wrong side or completely off the roadway
- Tailgating
- · Accelerating or decelerating rapidly

A burglar can call directory assistance to get your telephone number and call your home while in front of your house to confirm that you are away.

- Don't leave descriptive telephone answering machine messages like, "You've reached the Wilson's...we're away skiing for the Christmas holidays...please leave a message."
- After Christmas day, don't pile up empty gift boxes from your new computer, DVD player, or stereo receiver on the street for the g ar b a g e man. Burglars appreciate knowing that you have expensive gifts inside for them to steal. Break them down or cut them up to conceal the items better. After a lucrative burglary, the chances of being burglarized again are increased to steal the new replacement products.

# **AVOID FIRE HAZARDS**

- Install a smoke detector or new batteries in the one(s) you have and TEST it.
- Use only outdoor lights outside your home. Never use indoor extension cords outside.
- Examine light strings each year, discard worn ones.
- Fasten light bulbs securely and point the sockets down to avoid moisture build up.
- Connect no more than three light strands together.
- Avoid overloading wall outlets and extension cords.
- Keep outdoor electrical connectors above ground and out of puddles and snow.



# VACATION SECURITY

Research shows that 74% of all unsuccessful burglary attempts failed because of an alarm that emits a load sound. Over 40% of home burglaries are termed by police as "no force" entries. In other words, doors or windows were left unlocked, allowing the burglar easy access to the home. Windows are the 1st point of entry for residential burglaries! 30.9% of burglaries occur through first floor windows. 6% of burglaries occur through the upper-floor windows. Here are some tips to consider before leaving on vacation:

- Notify all emergency responders of your vacation schedule.
- Install timing lights which will automatically turn on during certain times of the day.
- Ask a neighbor to pick up your mail. Or you can request the post office hold it for you.
- Stop the delivery of newspapers.



# **Republic Services**

# Empty. Clean. Dry.

Be sure your recyclables are empty, clean & dry before you toss them in the recycling container.



# REDUCE, REUSE & RECYCLE

The holidays are here, which means parties, shopping, and lot of eating. What does this mean for the planet? A lot more waste!

Here are some tips to help you REDUCE, REUSE and RECYCLE while planning your holiday season.

Food Purchase only as much food as you need and don't throw out the leftovers! If you don't want the leftovers, send them home with your party guests, give them to the homeless, take them to work for your coworkers, or *compost* them.

**Dining** If possible, let your party guests use your own plates, cups and utensils. If you have to buy disposable flatware, make sure it is **recyclable**! You cannot recycle soiled paper plates, wax-lined paper cups, paper napkins, or plastic utensils.

**Gift Giving** Reduce the carbon footprint of your gift. Buy local. Look for items with minimal packaging. Purchase gifts made from *reused* or *recycled* material. You can even home make the gift.

**Decorations** Purchase decorations that are sturdy and can be **reused** for years to come. Don't buy single-use decorations, such as a disposable table cloth that will go straight in the trash.

Gift Wrapping Paper, bows and ribbons. Use newspaper and reusable boxes and bags. This not only helps the planet, but helps your wallet! Ribbons

and bows cannot be recycled. Recycle any cardboard boxes, paper bags, and wrapping paper that will not be reused.

> Because Earth deserves a happy holiday season too!

Food in landfills produce methane, a greenhouse gas that is 20X more potent than carbon dioxide

Americans throw away 25% more garbage and 33% more food around the holidays

Americans spend around \$2.6 billion on wrapping paper each year





# **Animal Services**

### **End of Year Charitable Giving**

Holiday Season - a time of sharing and giving! Local animals can use your help! How can you help? See our needs list below.

### **Donation requests:**

- Cat litter, wood shavings, straw
- Sheets, towels, blankets
- Pet toys—gently used or new
- Pet crates & carriers, cages
- Pet beds
- Pet foods
- FUNDS—help support the City's spay & neuter, foster and homeless pet programs

Donations may be tax deductible. Be sure to check with your tax professional.

Call Citrus Heights Animal Services to find out more - 916-725-7387.



# Wonder what commercial foods are best for your pet?

There is a great comparison at: https://www.consumeraffairs.com/ pets/pet-food/#





# Holiday Hazards & Weather Warnings

Quick list for this winter!

- If it's too cold for you, it's too cold for your pet! Bring pets inside when it's chilly!
- Open flame and space heaters pose danger to pets! Don't let pets get too close to flames or heat sources!
- Holiday Plants can be toxic to pets! Mistletoe, poinsettias and lilies can make them sick! Check with poison control for more info! 855-764-7661
- Christmas Trees, home decorations and gift wrap can be enticing and risky to pets! Be sure to oversee pets around these items!
- Holiday Foods and candies can make your pet ill and cause costly veterinary bills! Watch what pets eat and ask guests to avoid giving your pet treats without permission!

# BEST PET GIFT OF ALL?

A License and a Microchip, of course!

There is no place like home, and when your pet goes missing, it can be stressful for both of you!

Bring your pet home safe and sound with a license & microchip! A pet license costs \$15 dollars a year if the pet is fixed and \$30 a year if it is still intact.

Microchip prices can vary depending on brand or whether the chip is installed at the vet or a microchip clinic!

Call Citrus Heights Animal Services for more info! 916-725-7387 (PETS)



Coming Soon— Watch the mail for new license renewal forms from Pet Data, our new licensing partner for 2017!



\*NEW\* Lost & Found **HOTLINE** ~ Citrus Heights Animal Services 916-727-4850 Afterhours and Weekends Help our On-Call Animal Services Officers reunite owners & pets!!



# **Construction Projects**

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Project	Description	Status	
Baird Way Drainage Improvements	Installation of new drainage inlets and pipes to increase capacity and eliminate recurring nuisance ponding.	Construction expected to commence in February or March 2017.	
Sunrise Boulevard Complete Streets Project - Phase III	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.	The project field work is complete. Staff anticipates presenting the project to the City Council for final acceptance in January.	
2016 Accessibility and Drainage (Various Streets)	Constructing/reconstructing accessible curb ramps, reconstructing failed sections of existing curb, gutter and sidewalk, reconstructing and relocating drainage inlets, removal and replacement of deteriorated storm drain pipe, restoring and/ or relocating traffic striping, legends and markers.	The contractor has completed all work and is working with staff to present the project to the City Council in December for final acceptance.	
Storm Drain System Yearly Cleaning	Cleaning of the storm drain system to prevent street flooding.	Storm drain cleaning in Neighborhood Area 1 is complete. Storm drain cleaning in Neighborhood Area began the second week of November.	
2016 Residential Street Resurfacing (Various streets)	Annual street repaving project.	The contractor has completed the paving of the first four streets and the drainage improvements on Sylvan Grove. All work should be completed by the second week of December and will be presented to City Council in January for Final Acceptance.	

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







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# **Citrus Heights Community Center**

Current community center events now total 6,615; very healthy numbers. Staff continues to work on achieving more efficient scheduling of hours, meeting the needs of renters, and handling necessary maintenance work. Given the current schedule of events from now until the end of this year, the community center will be very busy into spring.

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 <u>dcarpenter@citrusheights.net</u>.

# Sylvan Community Center

LED lighting improvements are scheduled for the remaining interior rooms in the building this coming spring. The goal is to remove all fluorescent lamps and replace them with LED lighting units to increase the energy efficiency while eliminating ongoing maintenance and replacements costs. More information to follow after the first of the year. 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!

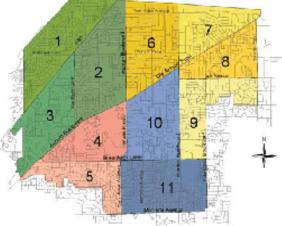
Whether you are new to Citrus Heights and still unpacking all of your moving boxes, or if you've lived here since cityhood was just a gleam in the eye of a few, we encourage you to check out your local Neighborhood Areas to see how you can get involved and make a difference in the community.

Citrus Heights is divided into 11 neighborhoods (see map) with 10 different Neighborhood organizations representing each area (Areas 7 & 8 are combined). In fact, creation of the "Neighborhoods" was voted by the public as one of the Top 10 Accomplishments by the City of Citrus Heights since incorporation in January, 1997.

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. The area groups usually meet once a month to solve neighborhood issues, such as traffic or crime, in addition to working on various projects, hosting City information sessions, 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 represents the interests of the community and its citizens and encourages participation in neighborhoods to improve the quality of life in our city. REACH meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Room at City Hall (6360 Fountain Square Drive).

Check the map for the Neighborhood Group covering your area:



Visit the City's Web site at www.citrusheights.net or call (916) 725-2448 to find out more about the neighborhood group that serves in your area.

# Citrus Heights Neighborhood Meetings

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

LOCATION	WHEN:
Sierra Meadows Mobile Estates (7600 Daly Ave.)	3" Tuesday
Ascension Lutheran Church (7607 Garden Gate)	3 <sup>*</sup> Thursday
City Hall (6360 Fountain Square Dr)	2" Tuesday
City Hall (6360 Fountain Square Dr)	1 Tuesday
Advent Lutheran Church (5901 San Juan Ave.)	3" Thursday
Twin Oaks Ave Baptist Church (7690 Twin Oaks)	4 <sup>*</sup> Tuesday
Big Oak Mobile Home Park (8300 Old Auburn Rd)	3" Tuesday
City Hall (6360 Fountain Square Dr)	2" Wednesday
Citrus Heights Community Club House (6921 Sylvan Rd.)	4 <sup>*</sup> Monday
Skycrest Elementary School (5641 Mariposa Ave.)	3" Wednesday
	Sierra Meadows Mobile Estates (7600 Daly Ave.) Ascension Lutheran Church (7607 Garden Gate) City Hall (6360 Fountain Square Dr) City Hall (6360 Fountain Square Dr) Advent Lutheran Church (5901 San Juan Ave.) Twin Oaks Ave Baptist Church (7690 Twin Oaks) Big Oak Mobile Home Park (8300 Old Auburn Rd) City Hall (6360 Fountain Square Dr) Citrus Heights Community Club House (6921 Sylvan Rd.)



# 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: I 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.

# SACRAMENTO PUBLIC LIBRARY December 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
CLOSED	CLOSED	10 — 8	10 — 8	10 — 8	1-6	10 — 5
	<b>aks Library</b> ourn Blvd, ights	<u>Tuesdays:</u> Job Coach 5 -7 pm <u>Wednesdays:</u> Tech Help 2 - 3 pm	<u>Thursdays:</u> Job Coach 4—6 pm <u>Saturdays:</u> Tech Help 2—3 pm	1 Sensory Storytime : 10:30 am Manga Café : <i>Gift-Making</i> : 4 pm	2	<sup>3</sup> Friends of the Library Book Sale 11 am —3:30 pm
4	5	6 Tuesday Movie Madness : 6 pm : "Finding Dory" (2016, PG, 103 min, Disney)	7 Mother Goose on the Loose : 10 am / 11 am Science Club : Borax "Snowflakes" : 4 pm	8 Storytime Music & Movement : 10:30 am Read to a Dog : 4 pm	9 Coffee, Donuts, & a Movie : 1:30 pm : "Charles Dickens" A Christmas Carol" 1938, 68 min, Warner)	10 Book Club: 10 am : <u>Devil</u> <u>in the White City</u> Second Saturday Art: Quilled Snowflakes : 2 pm
11	12	13	14 <u>STORYTIME BREAK</u>	15 <u>STORYTIME BREAK</u>	16	17 Sensory Storytime : 10:30 am Tea & Coloring : 2 pm
18	19	20 Teen Advisory Board : 4 pm	21 <u>STORYTIME BREAK</u> Fun with Musical Robot! : 4 pm	22 <u>STORYTIME BREAK</u> LEGO Mania : 3:30 pm	23	24 CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY
25 CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY	26	27 Wii Gaming for Kids: 2—4 pm	28 <u>STORYTIME BREAK</u> Wii Gaming for Kids: 2—4 pm	29 <u>STORYTIME BREAK</u> Wii Gaming for Kids : 2—4 pm	30 Wii Gaming for Kids : 2—4 pm	31 Autism-Friendly Family Movie : 10:30 am : "Finding Dory" (2016, PG, 103 min, Disney) eReader Workshop : 2 pm

# **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 <u>npiva@citrusheights.net</u>





# **Eligibility Requirements**

- The applicant <u>must not</u> 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 singlefamily dwelling or condominium unit. Multi-unit structures and mobilehomes are <u>not</u> 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

# Be Informed. Get Involved. Make a Difference.

Citrus Heights encourages residents to become involved in their local community. You can make a difference by serving in an advisory capacity on one of the City's commissions or boards. The City is accepting applications to fill positions in the Planning Commission, History and Arts Commission and the Construction Board of Appeals.



Planning Commission 4 Positions

Planning Commissioners make land use decisions consistent with the policies and plans formally adopted by the City Council; and weigh the professional input given in staff reports, environmental impact reports and consultant reports in making decisions. The Commission may also review proposed city ordinances; the annual Capital Improvement Plan; and other issues related to consistency with the General Plan. Must be at least 18 years of age. Meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.



History and Arts Commission 4 Positions

History and Arts Commissioners recommend to the City Council the means to implement policies in the General Plan related to historic preservation by developing information and programs to increase awareness of, preservation of and use of historical landmarks, artifacts and other historic materials; develop programs which promote cultural art activities and programs throughout the community; and implement the policies with the General Plan to expand communitywide cultural arts events. Must be either residents of the City of Citrus Heights, descendants of residents of Citrus Heights or former residents and at least 18 years of age. Meetings are held on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.



Construction Board of Appeals 5 Positions

The Construction Board of Appeals shall consist of five members with who are qualified by experience and training to pass upon matters pertaining to building construction. The members shall neither be officers nor employees of the city. Board Members hear the appeals of persons aggrieved by a decision of the City's Chief Building Official. Relative to the appeal, Board Members determine the suitability of alternate materials and methods of construction and provide reasonable interpretations of the Technical Codes. Must be a resident of the City of Citrus Heights and at least 18 years of age. Meetings are held as needed, and when an appeal is filed.

# How to Apply

- 1. Download an application at www.citrusheights.net or obtain one from the City of Citrus Heights, 6360 Fountain Square Drive, Citrus Heights, CA.
- 2. File the Completed Application with the City Clerk's Office by Monday, December 12, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.
- 3. Applications will be copied and distributed to the City Council to make their appointments at the January 12th City Council meeting.



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