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This year has allowed us to start living our lives close to what it was before Covid. The lessons we learned, the people we lost and some of us that were affected still don't know the long-term effects. The difficult period allowed some of us to refocus on what is important: family, health, and community.

Let's continue to focus on our health, below are important links:

To learn more about Covid 19, Monkeypox, please visit the following page:
<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/>

Let's not forget the **West Nile Virus** is the most common mosquito-borne disease that affects residents in Los Angeles County. Public health agencies detect West Nile virus every year in L.A. County which means it's endemic and found naturally in our city environments. For information: https://www.glamosquito.org/west-nile-virus-activity-2022?fbclid=IwAR3ZJjPoJdvP1bxXwgAlltq_iZnuVEp-FKK8S5HI22mdlQv2PDKUYfXuy0w

The following events happened in the month of September

- The **57th Assembly District College & Career Fair** it was held on Saturday, September 10, 2022, at William Workman High School.
- **Hsi Lai Temple** hosted Red Cross blood drive on Sunday September 18, 2022,
- **The Puente Hills Habitat Preservation Authority board** meeting was held on Thursday, September 22, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. One of the recommendations was to move the Board meetings to 6:00 p.m. since 3:00 p.m. is not a convenient time for residents that work. Another suggestion was to have a town hall meeting at Hacienda Heights Community Center and provide the community with information on the organization. For full details on the meeting:

<https://www.habitatauthority.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/9-22-22-Board-agenda.pdf> and for information on The Puente Hills Habitat Preservation Authority: <https://www.habitatauthority.org/>

- **U.S. Representative Young Kim** hosted a Wildfire Preparedness Seminar on Saturday, September 24 at Yorba Linda public library. Helpful tips and best practices for preparing for disasters such as wildfires and earthquakes and information on disaster first aid.
- On Thursday, September 29, 2022, First District **Supervisor Solis office** had a community feedback session to have the community share their thoughts on L A County Library services and programs via real-time polls and engaging chat.
- **Hsi Lai Temple** hosted an evening under the moon event on Saturday, September 10th. There were performances, meditation, and a candlelight ceremony.
- **Hacienda La Puente Unified School District (HLPUSD)** had board meetings on: Thursday, September 8, 2022, and Thursday, September 22, 2022, for details on the agenda items and future meetings: <https://go.boarddocs.com/ca/hlpusd/board.nsf/public>

Upcoming events:

- **Fentanyl** discussion/presentation by **Industry Sheriff station and HLPUSD Police.**

Date: Thursday. October 20, 2022

Time: 6:00 pm- 8:00 pm

Location: La Puente High School Gymnasium-15615 Nelson Avenue/ La Puente, CA 91744

Join the Industry Sheriff's Station and Hacienda La Puente School Police for an in-depth discussion about Fentanyl and how we can work together to keep families safe.

- **California Highway Patrol--Start Smart: Driving Smart to Stay Safe** program offers a FREE, two-hour program for teens and their parents. Those 2 hours can save a life! Classes are being conducted throughout the state. Contact your local CHP area office at <https://www.chp.ca.gov/find-an-office>

- **Hacienda Heights Safety Summit** hosted by Industry Sheriff station (Deputy Ruano).

Date: Wednesday, October 5th, 2022

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Hacienda Heights Community Center (1234 Valencia Avenue, Hacienda Heights).

- **Los Angeles County Dept. Of Public Works** household hazardous waste Collection Event. <https://pw.lacounty.gov/gen.../enotifyCalendar/Calendar.aspx>

Date: Saturday, October 08, 2022

Time: 9:00 am- 3:00 pm

Location: Dibble Adult School,, 1600 Pontenova Avenue, , Hacienda Heights, 91745

- **Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District** will be hosting free drought tolerant Landscaping workshops.

Date(s): August 30- November 08, 2022

Time: 6:00 pm- 7:00 pm

Register: <https://upperdistrict.org/water-smart-workshops/>

The workshops will offer useful tips and how-to information on water efficient topics such as sustainable landscaping, turf removal methods, DIY greywater home systems, and leak detection and repair.

- **Los Angeles County Parks and Recreation**-Enroll your children in the Fall Youth Sports Leagues for the Fall 2022 season. View and enroll in classes: https://anc.apm.activecommunities.com/losangelescounty/activity/search?onlineSiteId=0&activity_select_param=2&site_ids=8&site_ids=9&site_ids=21&viewMode=list

- **Animal Licensing Amnesty Period.** To help LA County pet owners during these difficult economic times, the Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control is initiating an animal licensing amnesty period. Many pet owners may have put off paying for their required annual pet licenses and incurred late fees.

Beginning **August 1, 2022**, the Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control (DACC) and 18 partner cities, are waiving **late fees** for residents renewing or buying a new license for their dog or cat through **October 31, 2022**.

If you are not certain if your pet's license is current or not, you may access your pet's record on the DACC website at <https://animalcare.lacounty.gov/> or call the departments licensing division at (562) 345-0400 to inquire. You may also email DACC at: licensing@animalcare.lacounty.gov.

- **Juntos Podemos**-On Saturday October 01, 2022, they will be hosting a HLPUSD Candidate Forum for school board elections. The community will listen to candidates speak to concerns and issues within HLPUSD. You can register at <https://bit.ly/jphlpforum> or visit their site. <https://www.facebook.com/events/427957556107777/?ref=newsfeed>

- **Los Angeles County Homeless Initiative** is holding a series of community listening sessions to strengthen strategies for addressing and preventing homelessness. Hacienda Heights is in SPA 3

Date: Wednesday, October 12, 2022

Time: 9:00-10:30am

Location: Virtual -Register at:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYscemqj8rE9dDSA_y_pPR9GE-DY3GKydl?utm_content=&utm_medium=email&utm_name=&utm_source=govdelivery&utm_term=

- Homeowners' Resource Fair hosted by the **Office of Los Angeles County Assessor** Jeff Prang.

Date: Friday, October 28, 2022

Time: 9AM - 12PM

Location: Hacienda Heights Community Center—1234 Valencia Ave
Hacienda Heights, CA 91745

Register today at:

<https://assessor.lacounty.gov/news-information/events>.

All community members are invited to join and gain valuable information and resources concerning ADUs and new construction, Prop. 19, property tax savings programs, and details regarding the death of a property

- **HLPUSD** offers parent workshops, you can find information on PeachJar website linked through the District Page under "Community."
[https://app.peachjar.com/flyers/all/districts/35491/...](https://app.peachjar.com/flyers/all/districts/35491/)

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- **Southern California Edison**—Scholarship opportunity. Do you know a high school senior who lives in SCE service territory with a passion for STEM—science, technology, engineering or math? Tell them to apply for the Edison Scholars \$50K STEM Scholarship program **now through December 9, 2022**
https://www.edison.com/home/community/edison-scholars.html?ecid=sm_entst011&fbclid=IwAR3Ck6yL3-Q0vRcRUQsOkfrbW8cxAbKRAUKKljuDGBpTsQATITTLqCoioU

- **Habitat Authority's Citizens Technical Advisory Committee meeting.**

- Date: Tuesday, October 18, 2022

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Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Virtual <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84779109312>

Meeting ID: 847 7910 9312 - Or - Phone by joining at these numbers: +1 (669) 444-9171, +1 (669) 900-6833 Meeting ID: 847 7910 9312,

The meeting agendas and meeting material packets can be found here:

<https://www.habitatauthority.org/.../public-meeting.../>

All members of the public are welcome to attend (virtually) and provide comments at these meetings. You can provide public comments, please submit them to info@habitatauthority.org at least one day prior to the meeting day, and you will receive a confirmation of receipt.

Receive Agendas—If you would like to be added to the agenda email list for these meetings please email info@habitatauthority.org.

Background:

The Habitat Authority is a public agency, Joint Powers Authority with a Board of Directors consisting of the City of Whittier, County of Los Angeles, Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County, and a member representing Hacienda Heights, who is a member of the Hacienda Heights Improvement Association. The Habitat Authority came into existence in 1994 as a condition of approval for the Puente Hills Landfill, its main funding source. To date, the Habitat Authority manages approximately 3,870 acres of preserved public open space, of which 1,878 is owned by the Habitat Authority. The remaining lands are either owned by the City of Whittier or the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County. Ultimately it is hoped that over 4,000 acres will be preserved.

Resources:

Los Angeles County Sheriff “Special Alert” --The Sheriff’s Department has developed program to allow caregivers or family members (requestors) to voluntarily provide information about a person(s) living in their home who are suspected of having or have been diagnosed with an intellectual, mental, or physical disability (participant).

If you choose to participate in the program, the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department (LASD) will use the information you voluntarily provide below to help you and your loved ones when deputies respond to your calls for service.

This alerts deputies to the needs of the people in your home, which helps them decide how to best approach and what resources to bring with them.

If needed and available, those resources may include a co-response with trained mental health support professionals who specialize in peacefully resolving critical situations.

****LASD will only maintain the information for two years.**

You can complete online Or print and complete form, take form to local Sheriff station

Online: <https://ehire.lasd.org/forms/SpecialNeeds...> Download form :

<https://lasd.org/specialalert> Spanish version:

<https://lasd.org/.../Special Alert Request Form Spanish...>

Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, remember this number: **9-8-8**. Now anyone in a mental health crisis nationwide can access immediate, life-saving support by calling 9-8-8 at any time. As always, the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health help line will continue to be available 24/7 at (800) 854-7771. <https://dmh.lacounty.gov/>
<https://988lifeline.org/>

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) - Is an organization of families, friends and individuals whose lives have been affected by mental illness. They advocate for better lives for those individuals who have a mental illness. SGV CHAPTER
<https://namisangabrielvalley.org> NAMI - Orange County <https://www.namioc.org> NAMI- Greater Los Angeles <https://www.namiglac.org/>

Department of State travel alerts: If you are traveling to Baja California, Guanajuato, Sonora, Guadalajara, Acapulco is dangerous right now, take precautions. Visit the State Department page for alerts and information:
<https://mx.usembassy.gov/alert-fires-roadblocks-and.../>

Social Media Community Concerns-

Quemetco-You may want to read about how our community may be getting polluted with lead, Arsenic and other pollutants. Below are links that have a lot of valuable information:

<http://lapublichealth.org/eh/docs/quemetco/ProtectYourHealthBooklet-en.pdf>

<https://earthjustice.org/features/report-quemetco-southern-california-lead-smelter>

<https://cleanaircoalition.org/index.html>

- **Homeless outreach**--Union Station Homeless Services, provides Housing Navigation services to Hacienda Heights and surrounding areas. This includes outreach to individuals who are literally homeless, engaging them and building

relationships, identifying barriers to housing, and developing personalized plans to overcome each of these barriers. Their work is supported by partnerships with agencies like the Dept of Mental Health, Dept of Health Services, local employment agencies, non-profit legal aid organizations, etc. **If there is an individual in your neighborhood in need of services you can submit an outreach request through LAHSA's outreach portal: LA-HOP <https://www.lahsa.org/portal/apps/la-hop/> **We recommend using this portal to submit outreach requests to help us better track and respond to the needs of specific areas. In addition to their outreach teams they work closely with LAHSA's outreach teams, their own multi-Disciplinary outreach team, and the Department of Mental Health outreach team.

- Many residents requested information on how to report pothole repairs, graffiti removal and illegal dumping. You can download “**The Works**” for iPhone or Android and submit a report. See <https://dpw.lacounty.gov/theworks/>

Please encourage all your neighbors to join HHIA and attend the monthly meetings.