



Shop Local

Did you know that shopping in LCF not only helps our local merchants, but also helps fund services provided by the City? One cent of every dollar spent on goods and services subject to sales tax is returned to the City to help fund street maintenance, parks and athletic field improvements, Sheriff Department patrols, and other projects and programs. Shopping in LCF helps our community!



Up A Creek

The La Cañada Flintridge Tournament of Roses Association is working to complete their 38th float entry for the 2016 Tournament of Roses Parade.

As one of only six self-built floats in the parade, it is completed using an all-volunteer team. The City of La Cañada Flintridge supports construction of the float with an annual contribution.

This year's float is called "Up a Creek ..." and depicts three forest rascals who have borrowed a camper's raft to enjoy the fun of running a wild river.

The theme of the 2016 Parade is "Find Your Adventure," and this design



was chosen from over 100 concepts submitted for the design. The winning design was rendered by artist Renee Hoss-Johnson.

Residents interested in volunteering to work on the float can visit www.lcftra.org for more information. Be sure to look out for the float in the Rose Parade on New Years Day!

CITY INFORMATION

The City Council meets the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM in the City Council Chambers.

City Hall will be closed for the holidays December 24, 25, 31 and January 1st.

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Leonard Pieroni
Terry Walker

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Building and Safety Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 AM to 11:30 AM
Website: www.lcf.ca.gov

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Winter Weather Preparedness



When La Cañada Flintridge's own Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) climatologists predicted a potential "Godzilla El Niño," many southern Californians breathed a sigh of relief. But, while wet weather can provide reprieve to the drought-stricken State, it also poses some concerns for hillside communities like ours.

Please take measures to protect your property from the anticipated winter storms. There are a variety of ways to ensure your home is weather-ready during the winter months.

- ✓ **Clear roof gutters of dirt, leaves and debris.** Invest in a downspout extension to drain your gutters further away from the foundation of the home, and ideally to the street via a curb drain.
- ✓ **Inspect, clean out, and repair all drain inlets and outlets on the property,** including the curb drain leading out to the gutter along the street front. Remove any leaves, debris build-up or objects blocking the flow of drainage to the street. These measures will allow stormwater to move efficiently away from your home and property.
- ✓ **Do a thorough check of the roof twice per year and after any major storms.** Replace loose tiles and shingles and address any signs of water damage.
- ✓ If your property and/or home sits lower than the street, and/ or has a sub-standard driveway approach that allows storm-water running along the street to flow onto the property, the City encourages you to consult with an engineer on how best to **divert stormwater away from your property.**
- ✓ In the short term, the City recommends **installing sandbags** across driveways or low points of the property to divert stormwater flow from your property to the street.

Note that the City makes sand and sandbags available free of charge at the following locations:

- 5489 Ocean View Boulevard, north of Foothill Boulevard
- Mayors' Discovery Park at 1800 Foothill Boulevard
- Haskell Street (across from 1035 White Deer Drive)

Extra sandbag supply can be obtained from the following:

- Fire Station 82 at 352 Foothill Boulevard
- Fire Station 19 at 1729 Foothill Boulevard

Local debris basins are cleared and maintained by the Los Angeles County Flood Control District to ensure they are ready for stormwater runoff. In addition, the City and Los Angeles County Fire and Sheriff's Departments will assess storms as they occur. Based on the assessments, additional protection measures and resources will be provided as needed.

Residents are reminded to stay away from drainage basins and culverts with deep and fast-running water. Also, drivers are warned to avoid pooled water on streets, and to park their vehicles off the street so as not to impede stormwater flow along curb and gutters.

For more information, please visit the City's website at www.lcf.ca.gov or, refer to Los Angeles County's Home Owner's Guide for Flood, Debris & Erosion Control posted on their website at www.dpw.lacounty.gov/wmd/homeowners.

What's YOUR Address?



It is imperative that every home in La Cañada Flintridge be properly identified so that public safety personnel can locate homes in an emergency. The City often fields complaints about unsolicited vendors requesting compensation to paint home address numbers

address numbers themselves or paying a vendor to perform the work. If a vendor is engaged to perform this work, they must obtain a City business license and authorization from the Public Works Department prior to commencing. If a resident elects to paint their own

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on street curbs. Residents should know that the City does not endorse any specific vendor to perform this work. The City will repaint address numbers as part of a slurry seal/street resurface interval program.

If needed sooner, residents have the option of repainting their curb

address numbers, standards for performing that work are provided by the Public Works Department and a permit for working in the public street must be obtained.

For more information, please contact the Public Works Department at (818) 790-8882.

Holiday Events

Glenola Park Tree Lighting and Canned Food Drive

Wednesday, December 2, 2015
Carols, cookies, cider, and holiday cheer

Festival in Lights

Friday, December 4, 2015
Memorial Park
4:00 PM
Meet Santa, play in the snow, see live reindeer, and enjoy great food

LCUSD

LCUSD is hosting many holiday performances. For more information visit www.lcUSD.net.

Breakfast with Santa

Sunday, December 20, 2015
Descanso Gardens
9:30 AM

127th Rose Parade

Thursday, January 1, 2016
Pasadena, CA
8:00 AM
Look for the La Cañada Flintridge Tournament of Roses Float "Up a Creek..."



Update

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (METRO) are in the process of reviewing and responding to comments on the SR-710 North Project Draft Environmental Impact Report/Statement (DEIR/DEIS). The City stands behind a number of agencies and groups concerned over the inadequacy of the DEIR/DEIS.

The DEIR/DEIS includes, as one of four "build" options, the extension of the northbound 710 freeway to the

210 freeway via a 6-mile long tunnel with no exits. Currently, the 710 northern terminus is where it meets the 10 freeway in Alhambra. If built, the tunnel will extend the 710 freeway to the 134/210 freeway junction in Pasadena.

The City of La Cañada Flintridge is opposed to the tunnel alternative for a variety of reasons including increased traffic, noise, and air pollution as tunnel traffic will travel through La Cañada Flintridge along the 210 freeway. Furthermore, the City believes the over \$5 billion cost to build a 4.5 mile tunnel is an irresponsible expenditure of taxpayer dollars. The DEIR/DEIS showed that 90% of motorists would receive no

travel time savings, making this a very expensive solution for a very select few.

The South Coast Air Quality Management District submitted a comment letter asserting that the DEIR/DEIS failed to accurately assess the carbon monoxide and airborne particulates increase that would result from completion of the tunnel. In addition, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has written a letter to Caltrans which states that the EPA rates the tunnel alternative as having "inadequate information." The EPA recommends a supplemental report to address unanswered questions regarding air quality. The EPA adds

that the tunnel "may" impact the federal fine particle air pollution standards and, as a result, there could be "challenges" to federal air quality "conformity." If this was determined to be the case, and such impacts could not be mitigated, the lack of "conformity" then could mean the potential loss of certain federal transportation funds.

The City is currently awaiting news from Caltrans and Metro regarding the next phase of the environmental review process. We will keep residents informed of new developments. Residents are encouraged to stay informed and visit the project website at: www.metro.net/projects/sr-710-conversations/.