

# Bradbury News



November 2012

## Why is City Hall covered in dirt?

### Your chance to help and it's tax-deductible!



Welcome to Bradbury

The empty unplanted barren area around City Hall needs your help to bring it to life. The City has developed a plan for this area to become a community focal point of pride that encompasses a natural habitat with drought tolerant local plants, demonstration gardens and small infiltration areas to manage storm water run-off. While the City was able to fund the construction of the new Civic Center through years of saving and planning, current economic conditions finds the City without the funds to provide the planned native landscapes.

Through the Buy a Brick – Beautify Bradbury Campaign, the City is trying to raise the necessary funds to complete the landscape project. The City needs to raise approximately \$100,000 to complete the project including installing irrigation, utilities, plants, trees, bulletin board, monument sign, site preparation and infrastructure. Buy your Brick today and become a part of Bradbury's History! There are two ways to help:

**8 x 8 Brick**                      **\$300**                      Four lines / 18 characters per line

**4 x 8 Brick**                      **\$150**                      Three lines / 18 characters per line

You can make checks payable to City of Bradbury Civic Center and send them to City Hall or with just one click - - pay through your PayPal account!

Here's the link to pay \$150 for a 4 x 8 Dedication Brick:

[https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=s-xclick&hosted\\_button\\_id=UEDBG5U69976C](https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=s-xclick&hosted_button_id=UEDBG5U69976C)

Here's the link to pay \$300 for a 8 x 8 Dedication Brick:

[https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=s-xclick&hosted\\_button\\_id=3TGAA7SJ9VLR6](https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=s-xclick&hosted_button_id=3TGAA7SJ9VLR6)

Donations to the City for this project are tax deductible under the IRS code.

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#### City Council

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#### REMINDER

To enhance service to residents agendas, minutes, newsletters and more are all on-line at [www.cityofbradbury.org](http://www.cityofbradbury.org)



## Beautifying Bradbury

Through the generosity of those that have already contributed to the Civic Center landscape project, a lot of work has already begun. The City has been able to install the irrigation and hardscape in Phases One and Two, plant some native trees, prep the site for plants and install the Civic Center landmark sign.

California American Water

Patty and Alan DeVault

Lathrop Family

Friends of Bradbury

San Luis Builders

Darlene Kuba & Bill Fujioka

Barakat Family

Axon Tech

Nijjar Family

Wallin, Kress, Reisman & Kranitz

Liu Family

Novodor Family

Burrtec Waste Services

LDM Associates

Dunroth Farms

Marisela & James Adams

Dan Van Dorpe

RKA Consulting Group

Hale Family



## City Hall Holiday Closures

Due to the furloughs, City Hall will be closed on the following days during the holiday season:

Wednesday, November 21 through Friday, November 23, 2012

City Hall will re-open on Monday, November 26, 2012

December 24, 2012 through January 2, 2013

City Hall will re-open on Wednesday, January 2, 2013

During these closure periods, resources can be found on the City's website: [www.cityofbradbury.org](http://www.cityofbradbury.org) including contact phone numbers.





## Bradbury Disaster Data



Imagine for moment that a huge catastrophe strikes Los Angeles County, like those we have witnessed during Hurricane Sandy. This situation is so wide-spread and devastating that emergency personnel need to focus all their attention on hospitals and other critical places. Phone lines are down and it's extremely difficult to communicate with the outside world.

When this event occurs, neighbors will need to care for one another and special skills, such as health care, may be in high demand. Now, imagine that our local Bradbury Emergency Response Committee has access to information on doctors within the community, generators to assist with powering life-saving medical equipment, critical specifications on special-needs individuals and information on the number of residents living within a house that collapsed during the disaster.

Bradbury City Hall, in conjunction with the Bradbury Emergency Response Committee (ERC), is currently updating its Disaster Data to help alleviate the chaos in case a wide-spread disaster occurs. The last time this citywide update took place was back in 1997. On Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, each household should have received through the mail a Disaster Data Update sheet, a Connect CTY form, and a return envelope. If you haven't received the form it is available on the City website at [www.cityofbradbury.org](http://www.cityofbradbury.org).

The Disaster Data Update sheet contains questions for you to fill out such as information on residents living in the house, special needs information, skills/services residents can offer in case of emergency, emergency equipment and/or supplies, animals/pets in the house and utility shut-off locations. A return envelope was included in the packet that you receive to make this process as easy and painless as possible! Although providing this information to the City is completely voluntary, completing this form may just save the life of both you and your family should a disaster occur.

If you have any questions regarding the Disaster Data process, the Disaster Data form or the confidentiality of this form, please feel free to contact Kevin Kearney, Management Analyst, at (626) 358-3218 or [KKearney@cityofbradbury.org](mailto:KKearney@cityofbradbury.org).

## Fall Back on Sunday, November 4th ... Time for a time change!



Time reverts to standard time at 2 a.m. on the first Sunday of November. So set those clocks back an hour when you go to sleep on Saturday night!

Also take the opportunity to check and replace the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide (CO) alarms. Replace any smoke alarms older than ten years. Replace any CO alarms older than five years.

### Important Phone Numbers

Emergency	911	LA County Sheriff	285-7171	Fire Station 44	358-3118
Animal Control	962-3577	Southern CA Edison	800-655-4555	So Cal Gas	800-551-8463
Burrtec	800-325-9417	Mosquito & Vector Control	814-9466	Time Warner Cable	888-twcable
Dept. Fish & Game	909-484-0167				



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### City Hall Hours

**Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

### Building Department Hours

**M, W, T 8:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.**

**Email: [cityhall@cityofbradbury.org](mailto:cityhall@cityofbradbury.org)**

**(626) 358-3218**

### **Dates to Remember for November**

- November 6 - Election Day
- November 20 - 7:00 PM City Council Meeting
- November 21 - City Hall Closed for Furlough Day
- November 22 –23 - City Hall Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday
- November 28 - 7:00 PM Planning Commission Meeting

### Planning Commission

Chairperson Bill Novodor, District 2

Vice-Chair Darlene Kuba, District 3

Karen Dunst, District 5

Susan Collins-Esparza, District 4

Frank Hernandez, District 1

### City Treasurer

Laurie Stiver

### Staff

Michelle Keith, City Manager

Claudia Saldana, City Clerk

Kevin Kearney, Management Analyst

Cary Reisman, City Attorney

David Meyer, City Planner

Dominic Milano, City Engineer

Stephen Fagan, Building Inspector

## **City Council Meeting Highlights & Items to Come**

**Please call City Hall at 358-3218 if you have any questions.** *The following agenda items are tentative and subject to change until posted at the City Hall entrance gate on the Friday before the meeting.*

The City Council took the following actions on October 16:

- First reading of Ordinance No. 326 updating the City Treasurer responsibilities
- Review of Options towards Fiscal Sustainability - Report from the Finance Committee—recommendation to send a revised UUT measure to the voters in 2013
- Public Hearing - City Council authorized the use of COPS funds to assist the City of Duarte with a Special Assignment Deputy
- Stormwater Compliance - the City Council authorized the City Manager and City Attorney to pursue an administrative petition with the anticipated adoption of the new MS4 permit.
- The City Council voted not to support LA County Measure J - the Update of Measure R in the November election
- Closed Session - Review of Planning Services

### **Tentative City Council Items for Tuesday,**

#### **November 20 at 7:00 PM**

- Ordinance No. 327 Consideration of the adoption of a UUT Measure to the Voters of Bradbury and subsequent election resolutions
- Discussion of the Mills Act
- Discussion on the closure of the Puente Hills Landfill
- Selling of Prop A funds to the City of Torrance
- Presentation of Public Safety crime stats in Bradbury
- Discussion on using Nextdoor in the City of Bradbury
- Second reading of Ordinance No. 326

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