

Bradbury News



May 2012

Reduce Food Waste, Feed the Hungry: GLEAN!



Gleaning: the act of collecting leftover crops from fields after they have been commercially harvested or on fields where it is not economically profitable to harvest.

The City of Bradbury will be partnering with nonprofit groups within the area to feed the homeless, assist the residents, and benefit the City: It's a win-win-win situation!

Welcome to Bradbury

Here's how it works: if you have leftover produce from trees or a family garden, volunteer pickers will come and collect bags and boxes of fruits and vegetables that are

turned over to homeless shelters, soup kitchens, food pantries, senior centers and/or low-income homes. Where some may see excess, Bradbury sees opportunity- the chance to make a difference, feed the hungry, and avoid waste!

Nestled in the foothills, Bradbury sees our fair share of bears, raccoons, skunks, opossums and gophers. Help eliminate pesky creatures on your property by ensuring food from your trees doesn't sit on the ground. Don't have time to pick your fruit orchards? Don't let produce rot on your property or mummify in the trees: let our volunteers glean!

If you are interested in participating in a gleaning project, contact Management Analyst Kevin Kearney at (626) 358-3218 or at kkearney@cityofbradbury.org. Food collected will help the homeless and assist the City in meeting its state mandated trash diversion requirements.

City Council Reorganization

The Bradbury City Council reorganized at its meeting of Tuesday, April 17, 2012

Bruce Lathrop, Mayor

Richard Pycz, Mayor Pro-Tem

Councilmembers Barakat, Hale & Lewis



REMINDER

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City Council

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Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension

While the design work progresses well on the 11.5-mile alignment project, pre-construction work continues. Crews are out along the right-of-way surveying, identifying underground utilities and investigating soil conditions. This work will continue through late 2012, when major construction is scheduled to begin.



The I-210 Gold Line Bridge project is moving along on schedule. The temporary structure, called falsework, that will support the superstructure as concrete is placed, is complete. Crews are now installing the bridge “formwork,” which is effectively a mold into which concrete will be placed to shape the bridge. The formwork must be precise to result in the artist’s vision the design elements along the superstructure’s exterior. In the image above, you can see an 18,000 pound mock-up panel that was recently constructed to verify the formwork design meets the artist’s intent. The formwork will take just over a month to install, and crews anticipate placing the concrete in mid-May.

In March, the last of the three design-build contracts began the procurement process. In the next several months, Statements of Qualifications will be developed by interested teams wanting to compete for the “Intermodal Parking and Enhancements design-build project.” This final contract is responsible for design and construction of the six station parking facilities, as well as numerous enhancements planned around each station that will make it easier and more pleasant for riders to access the stations on foot, bike or by bus.

Learn more about the Foothill Extension and sign up to receive e-newsletter updates or construction alerts at the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority’s website – www.foothillextension.org.

Green Waste Containers at Discounted Rates Help You With Mandated Brush Clearance

Burrtec offers green waste collection containers at a 15% discount during the month of May to assist Bradbury residents with their brush clearance/green waste clean-up projects. These clean-up projects prove invaluable to protect property in case of fires and to help residents comply with brush clearance regulations. Containers can be ordered in two commonly used sizes: a 3-yard bin or a 40 yard roll-off. Containers must be filled only with green waste materials in order to properly dispose and divert the green waste and to qualify for the discount. The discount is limited to one per property per year.





Community Emergency Response Teams

All individuals should be able to be self-sufficient for at least 72 hours following a major earthquake. Remember they can occur at anytime. A small 3.9 magnitude earthquake just occurred near San Juan Capistrano just a few weeks ago.



During an emergency, community members can do a lot to help themselves, their families and their neighbors by having first aid, evacuation and other emergency training.

The best way to prepare yourself is to be CERT trained. CERT- Community Emergency Response Team - is the Los Angeles County Fire Department's nationally acclaimed **free** community emergency training program. The CERT program is an all-risk, all-hazard training. CERT members receive 17.5 hours, usually on Saturdays for three weeks. The courses are free for residents of LA County over 18 years old. To learn how you can sign up for a CERT class, visit www.fire.lacounty.gov or call (888) CERT-939 or call Kevin at City Hall 358-3218.



Don't be a Victim - The Grandparent Scam

The suspects in this type of scam will call an elderly person and pretend to be a grandchild or young relative of the victim. They tell the elderly victim they are in some type of trouble and are in jail, and that they need bail money. They ask the elderly person not to tell their parents. A second suspect then calls pretending to be the police and proceeds to give the victim instructions on where to wire the bail money.

The suspects target older folks, hoping they can gain an emotional and quick response to the "need" to help out the young relative, and many times it works. The victims will quickly go to their bank, withdraw and transfer the money in an attempt to help, and by the time they realize the scam, the money has already been picked up by the suspects and is gone.

If you feel like you are the victim of a scam, notify the authorities immediately. Los Angeles County Temple Station 626-285-7171.

Important Phone Numbers

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| 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 | | | | |



Preserving Rural Tranquility

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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.

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Dates to Remember for May

- May 4 - City Hall Closed - Furlough Day
- May 14 - 6:00 PM General Plan Steering Committee
- May 15 - 7:00 PM City Council Meeting
- May 17 - 7:00 PM Emergency Response Committee Meeting

Planning Commission

Chairperson Karen Dunst, District 5

Vice-Chair Bill Novodor, District 2

Susan Collins-Esparza, District 4

Darlene Kuba, District 3

Frank Hernandez, District 1

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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 April 17:

- Appointed resident member James Hunt to the General Plan Steering Committee
- Approved the renewal of the Dial A Ride Contract with the City of Monrovia
- Allocated COPS funds for additional law enforcement on Bradbury, DAMAGE and YAL at Pamela Park.
- Approved a \$25 per month per link fee for advertising on the City website
- Began the discussion regarding the City's Fiscal Sustainability—Post election. This will continue to be an on-going discussion with residents and comments/suggestions are welcome.

Tentative City Council Items for Tuesday,

May 15 at 7:00 PM

- Closed Session – Annual review of Building & Safety Services
- City of Bradbury Fiscal Sustainability – Options for Revenue Enhancement & Consideration of a Finance Committee
- Transfer of Winston Hydrant Main to Cal-Am Water
- Los Angeles County Clean Water, Clean Beaches Protection Measure
- Delegation of Claims Handling to the CJPIA

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