

Duarte Community News

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Mayor's Prayer Breakfast

Duarte will express its thanks to outstanding community volunteers at the 24th annual Mayor's Thanksgiving Prayer Breakfast and 22nd annual Duarte Chamber Community Service Recognition Awards, Wednesday, November 25th. The public is invited to attend the event that will take place from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. at the City of Hope Cooper Auditorium located at 1500 East Duarte Road. This year's featured speaker is retired Azusa Pacific University Professor Philip Ostergard, author of "The Inspired Wisdom of Abraham Lincoln."

City Joins CRA and Other Redevelopment Agencies to Block State Raid of Redevelopment Funds

Led by the California Redevelopment Association (CRA) and its other member Agencies, the City of Duarte is joining an effort to file a lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of the 2009 State Budget raid of \$2.05 billion in redevelopment funds. This raiding has a local impact to Duarte of approximately \$2.7 million for fiscal year 2009-10 with another \$560,000 hit in FY 2010-11. At the June 23rd Council meeting earlier this year, the Duarte City Council unanimously approved Resolution 09-22 opposing the seizure of tax increment funds in addition to authorizing the City Attorney to cooperate with other agencies in litigation against the State.

In April of 2009, Sacramento County Superior Court ruled that State raids of redevelopment funds were unconstitutional invalidating a 2008 budget bill to take \$350 million in redevelopment funds statewide. Despite this decision by the Courts, both the legislature and the Governor still approved budget bill AB 26 4x authorizing another raid of \$2.05 billion.

The illegal seizure of local redevelopment funds will force cities, like Duarte, to stop redevelopment projects in their community, which would have a devastating effect on the creation of new construction jobs as well as stop critical public projects. A specific project that would be directly affected would be the proposed 20-acre Transit Oriented Development project that is being proposed adjacent to the coming Gold Line station. According to an economic analysis prepared by the CRA, this \$2.05 billion in redevelopment revenues could support 198,000 full and part-time jobs. At a time when California is heading towards a 12% unemployment rate, job development especially in the hard hit construction industry is more important than ever.

Duarte City Council members are gravely concerned about this State proposal and its impact on City services and the state as a whole.

- Raiding \$2.05 billion in redevelopment funds will kill tens of thousands of jobs, damage California's economic recovery efforts and harm local communities like Duarte;
- State raids of redevelopment funds unconstitutionally impairs bond and other contracts;
- A take of this magnitude will affect Duarte's ability to meet debt service, contractual obligations and the Agency's ability to participate in any future development projects.



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Sonic Drive-In Coming to Duarte's Route 66

Sonic Drive-In, featuring carhops on roller-skates and a unique award-winning menu of Toaster sandwiches, extra long chili cheese Coney hot dogs, hand-battered onion rings and plethora of drink and dessert choices, will soon be serving customers on Duarte's Route 66. Construction is scheduled to begin the first week of November on the new Sonic Drive-In to be located at 1070 Huntington Dr. in the Mountain Vista Plaza Shopping Center in Duarte, according to Brandon Wesselink, a partner and acquisitions manager for franchisee, Coast to Coast Commercial, Mission Viejo.

Sonic, which bills itself as America's Drive-In, is the nation's largest chain of drive-in restaurants with more than 3,500 locations, although the Duarte restaurant will be only the second in Los Angeles County. Coast to Coast Commercial, which opened its first store in Mission Viejo this summer, plans to build a total of 12 Sonic Drive-In restaurants in Orange and Los Angeles County over the next six years.



"What a perfect fit to have 'America's Drive-In' on 'America's Highway', Historic Route 66," said City Manager, Darrell George. "We're excited about Sonic coming to Duarte. The company has earned a great reputation over its 56-year history for providing customers with excellent service and a menu of fresh made-to-order food," said City Manager, Darrell George.

The new 1,760 square foot Sonic Drive-In will provide customers with a unique outdoor dining experience. Sonic's distinctive use of drive-in stall speakers allows customers to place food orders without ever leaving their cars. Carhops personally deliver orders right to the customers' cars. The Duarte location will feature 22 drive-in stalls, outdoor patio dining, and a drive-through.

Sonic will hire about 30 crew members for the Duarte location, including cooks and carhops beginning mid-November. A sign on the site will direct applicants to information.

Duarte Accepting Applications to Fill City Commissions

There are many opportunities available for members of the community to become involved in helping make Duarte a great place to live, work, and do business. One way is to serve on a City Commission in an advisory capacity to the City Council. The City of Duarte is currently accepting applications to fill 18 positions on its six commissions. The expiration of terms for current commissioners is December 31.

Duarte citizens interested in serving on a commission will have until November 30 to apply. Applications must be received by the City Manager's at Duarte City Hall, 1600 Huntington Dr. by 6:00 p.m.

Application forms will be available at City Hall, the Duarte Teen Center, and on the City's websites: www.accessduarte.com or www.duarteyouth.org. City Council members will interview applicants beginning at 4:00 p.m. on December 2 and December 3. Appointments will be announced at the City Council meeting on December 8, and the new commissioners will begin their terms of office on January 1, 2010.

Six commissions offer interested citizens and community members a variety of opportunities to serve their community.

- The Planning Commission holds public hearings on land use matters such as general plan and zoning code amendments, specific plans, rezoning, land use permits, and variances.
- Public Safety Commission formulates recommendations pertaining to law enforcement, crime prevention and control, code enforcement, animal control, and emergency preparedness.

- The Parks and Recreation Commission members act in all matters pertaining to parks, public recreation, and to cooperate with other governmental agencies and civic groups in the advancement of sound park and recreation planning and programming.
- Economic Development Commission helps to formulate and implement economic development programs aimed at attracting new business, retaining and expanding existing businesses, and stimulating new growth within the City. The Commission also advises the City Council on marketing of the City including City assets and facilities, to enhance the visibility of the City.
- Traffic Safety Commission acts on matters pertaining to traffic laws, parking regulations, speed regulations, stop signs, traffic control signals, traffic calming measures, pavement markings, and other traffic safety and engineering issues.
- Public Services Commission acts on matters affecting telecommunications, cable and satellite communications, public access television, audio and video services, broadband and Internet services, and issues. The commission also advises on refuse and trash collection, recycling, transit, environmental quality, public utility services within the City, green technologies and advancing the 'Greening of Duarte'.

For more information about eligibility and how to apply for a commission post, call the City Manager's office at (626) 357-7931, ext. 221.

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Happy Holidays !

From the City Council and Staff



New Helmets For Kids Only \$5



Youth between 3 -18 years of age qualify to purchase helmets for only \$5.00 at the Public Safety office in the Mountain Vista Plaza shopping center every Wednesday from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. A parent or guardian must accompany the child or young adult and show proof of Duarte residency. Helmets will properly be fitted to ensure their safety. For more information, please call the Public Safety office at (626) 357-7938.

Residential Burglaries



From 2008 - 2009, residential burglaries have increased 30% due to "Acting Solicitors." Under the City of Duarte Municipal Code section 5.16.020, "No person shall engage in, conduct, or carry on the business of peddler, solicitor, or canvasser as herein defined without first applying for and receiving a permit therefore from the Director of Finance." To verify a solicitor, call our Public Safety office at (626) 357-7938. Office hours are Monday - Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Friday and Saturday 7:30 a.m - 4:00 p.m. Please contact the Temple Sheriff Station at (626) 485-7171 after business hours.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEEDS YOU TO BE OUR EYES AND EARS. DO THE RIGHT THING AND MAKE THE CALL.



Holiday Safety Tips

The holidays are upon us and it's the season that brings us joy and excitement to share with family and friends. The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, would like to wish everyone a Happy Holiday, while also warning that this can be a dangerous time of the year as well. It is important that extra precautions be used during the holiday season. Start with your home's security, as criminals know that most people have extra money and gifts in their homes during this season.

Among the tips offered by the Sheriff Department are:

- When you go out for the evening, leave a light, radio, or a television on to make it appear as if someone is home, use a timer if possible. Ask a trusted neighbor to watch your home.
- Shop with a family member or friend during daylight hours, if possible. When shopping with your children, keep them close to you. Make sure they know their home address and telephone number.
- Dress modestly, don't carry much cash with you, and avoid wearing flashy or expensive jewelry. Carry your purse close to you or place your wallet in a front pocket.
- Park in well-lit areas. Avoid parking next to vans or trucks. Store packages and gifts out of sight.
- Beware of strangers who come to the door, either selling items or soliciting for charity. Ask for identification and if you are still not satisfied, refuse to make a donation. Instead, donate only to an organization that you know and trust like the Duarte Community Council.

Successful Community Movie Night

On Friday, September 25, Duarte Park served as the site to close the summer series of Neighborhood Watch. Four hundred residents enjoyed a free dinner and movie. Performance Nissan kicked off the evening by providing 50 free basketballs to the first 50 children at the park. Marvell West provided all movie goers with mouthwatering ribs, hotlinks, and hot dogs. Water donated by Duarte Rotary Club quenched residents thirst. Snow cones were served by our Public Safety youth volunteers to help beat the heat.

Residents had the opportunity to learn about different organizations such as Census 2010, Duarte's Promise, Foothill Family Services, Foothill Unity Center, LA County Library, SCE Federal Credit Union, L.A. County Parks and Recreation, along with the City of Duarte departments of Administrative Services, Parks and Recreation, and Community Development.

DJ Sanchez kept the night upbeat with Michael Jackson's tunes and oldies. D.A.R.T., (Duarte Area Resource Team) and Duarte Parks and Recreation kept the children entertained with games and airbrushed face tattoos. One of the biggest attractions for the children was the motorcycle of LA County Sheriff Deputy, Marcelo Sepulveda.

After sunset, Duarte Park became an outdoor movie theater with the help of L.A. Party Works who provided a great movie experience with a 7 ft. by 10 ft. inflatable movie screen. Residents of all ages enjoyed the Blockbuster hit "Like Mike" while snacking chips donated by the Foothill Unity Center and popcorn donated by L.A. County Parks and Recreation. Thank you to all sponsors, volunteers, and the LA County Sheriff Department for participating in this event.



Local Harvest

If you have a large amount of fruit growing in your yard, don't let it go to waste! Call Local Harvest, our Duarte program to have your homegrown fruit harvest by a team of supervised Duarte youth that will deliver the harvest to the Foothill Unity Center for immediate distribution to families in need! Harvesters are equipped with bags, boxes, fruit pickers and a ladder to carefully pick fruit directly from your trees. Harvesters can also stop by your home to receive fresh fruit that has already been picked. The Foothill Unity Center has been providing food and other necessities to local families in need for over 20 years.

To request harvesters, please call (626) 359-5671, ext. 316.

Neighborhood Watch Holiday Toy Drive



Let's join together in celebrating the season with others through the Neighborhood Watch Toy Drive! This is the perfect time for neighbors to come together and give back to their community.

Please donate new and unwrapped toys to benefit the Duarte Community Service Council in their commitment to serve the less fortunate in Duarte with food and other necessities. The council relies on local community support to help families in need enjoy a winter season with extra food for the table and gifts for children.

Contact the Duarte Public Safety Office for more information in planning your neighborhood's toy drive. Gatherings can take place through a coffee night, potluck gathering, dessert exchange or other special event. Deputies can also be available to stop visit your gathering to collect donated toys. All new and unwrapped toys should be delivered to the Duarte Public Safety Office by Monday, December 7, 2009. For more information, call the Duarte Public Safety Office at (626) 359-5671, ext. 316.

To learn how you can volunteer to help the Duarte Community Service Council call (626) 359-9487.

National Night Out



On Tuesday, August 4th, 2009, residents throughout the City celebrated Duarte's 22nd National Night Out Celebration. Over 24 Neighborhood Watch Blocks socialized with pool and block parties, pot lucks, and ice cream socials. Residents interacted with Deputies, Fire Fighters, City staff, and Government Officials who presented Block Captains with certificates of recognition and a gift from Target.

Duarte Target was a caring sponsor who also sent five wonderful representatives to support our emergency preparedness efforts by raffling Emergency Kits at each party. This collaborative effort wouldn't have been possible without our Neighborhood Watch Volunteers, Duarte Target, Performance Nissan, Census 2010, and LA County Fire and our greatest supporter the LA County Sheriff Department.

Despite the many special crime operations that took place during National Night Out week, volunteers were able to carry on their festivities and get their neighbors involved in the City's National Night Out Celebration.

THANK YOU NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH BLOCKS!

Amberwood Homes	2500 Block of Elda St.
2600 Block of Bashor St.	300 Block of Opal Canyon Rd.
2500 Block of Bloomdale Str.	3000 Block of Markwood St.
3300 Block of Brookridge St.	200 Block of Melcanyon Rd.
1900 Block of Capehart	2300 Block of Rim Rd.
1600 Block of Cinco Robles Dr.	2600 Block of San Pablo Way
3000 Block of Conata St.	1600 Block of Second St.
Duarte Mesa Association	800 Block of Swiss Trails
500 Block of Fairwood St.	3200 Block of Tannencrest Dr.
1600 Block of First St.	400 Block of Tocino Dr.
2500 Freeborn St.	900 Block of Vista Mesa Court

Duarte Teen Center



Recreation Holiday Activities



There will be plenty of opportunities for children and families to celebrate the holidays in Duarte this season. Holiday fun will kickoff with the annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony and Fiesta on Thursday, Dec. 3, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Duarte Senior Center.

Festivities will include musical performances featuring cultural dancers, carolers and a special visit by Santa Claus who will be on hand to hear the special wishes of children and to help light the City's official Christmas tree, a beautiful live Redwood, at 8 p.m. Children will also enjoy making holiday crafts and playing games assisted by members of the Duarte Parks and Recreation staff. A traditional tamale dinner including two tamales, rice, beans, chips and soda will be available for \$5 per person.

Yes, Virginia there is a Santa Claus and he is ready to answer mail and phone calls from boys and girls in Duarte. Children are invited to send their letters to Santa, care of Duarte City Hall. Letters should be addressed Att: Santa Claus, 1600 E. Huntington Dr., Duarte, CA 91010-2592. Letters can also be deposited directly in Santa's Mailbox at Duarte City Hall. A return address and phone number must be included with the letter. All letters will be forwarded to the North Pole and will be answered in writing by Santa. Letters will be accepted from Nov. 30 through Dec. 10.

Duarte children are also invited to phone Santa Claus on his special hotline Tuesday, Dec. 15 between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. Children can talk to Santa by calling (626) 358-5425.

On Wednesday, Dec. 9, Santa Claus will be making another in-person appearance in Duarte. He will visit Beardslee Park from 2:45 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. and Royal Oaks Park from 3:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. before heading to the Duarte Community Center to spend more time with Duarte children at Santa's Holiday Party. There will be holiday games, crafts, music, prizes and refreshments.

Reservations are a must for this popular free event which is limited to the first 90 participants. To RSVP and to get more information on any of these fun holiday activities, call Duarte Parks and Recreation at (626) 357-7931.

Duarte teens have their own special place to enjoy at the well-appointed Duarte Teen Center located at 1400 Buena Vista St. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.

All Duarte teens' grades 9 through 12 with school ID are welcome. Participation is free, but Teen Center Registration packets must be filled out and returned.



Computer Lab

The Computer Lab located in the Duarte Teen Center is open Monday through Friday, 3 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The lab is equipped with 12 computers and is a great place to enhance computer skills, learn new programs, chat on the Internet, do school work, and play various games. There is also a scanner and printer available for use.

Upcoming Events!

Turkey Shoot Contest

Tuesday Nov. 17, 3:30 p.m.  Come shoot as many 3-point basketball shots as you can. Top winners will win a turkey to take home for the family to enjoy on Thanksgiving. Free

Winter Holiday Festival

Thursday Dec. 17, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.  Come join us at the Teen Center for a celebration of the winter holidays: Hanukkah, Christmas, and Kwanzaa. Musical choirs, food, cultural presentations, a holiday play and much more are planned. Free

Snow Trip

Tuesday, Dec. 22, 9 a.m. – 7 p.m.  Spend your day off from school in the snow at Alpine Slide in Big Bear. Play in the snow or go tubing down a snow-covered mountain. Lunch on your own. \$25

On-Going Activities

Movie Mondays
Come relax and enjoy one of the latest movies at the Teen Center, Nov. 16 and Nov. 30 and Dec. 14 and Dec. 28 from 4 p.m. – 6 p.m. Free

Birthday Tuesday

On the first Tuesday of the month at 3:30 p.m., come and join the Teen Center for a birthday celebration with cake for all. Free 

Teens with Dreams

This program is for teen girls grades 9 through 12. The group meets twice a month to discuss various topics ranging from peer pressure, goals, self esteem, relationships, and much more. Sign up now for the program set for Nov. 18, Dec. 2, Dec. 16 and Dec 30. Free 

Teen Book Club

Come join the Teen Book Club. The book club meets once a month to discuss various books from a designated reading list. Meet new friends and find new adventures in the world of good books. The Teen Book Club meets the first Friday of each month at 4 p.m. 

Nutrition/Cooking Class

Learn to make quick and easy nutritious meals, while having fun with friends. Class meets once a week on Wednesdays from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. \$2 per class 

Drama Club

The drama club meets once a week. Club members will participate in poetry jams, oratory, skits, improvisation, a theatre excursion and an end of session play. Class meets Thursdays from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Fee: \$5 membership for 6 months 

Youth Boxing Program

Boys and girls ages 8-18 are invited to join the fun and excitement with the Duarte Boxing Program at the Duarte Teen Center. Participants will learn all of the fundamentals of boxing, make new friends, feel more confident and get in incredible shape. Knowledgeable trainers provide a safe and stimulating learning environment for all levels of youth. Participants can train for fun and physical activity or for a chance to compete against other youth here and away. The Duarte Teen Center Gym is open Monday through Thursday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Friday from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. There is a \$10 monthly fee for each participant. Non-residents are welcome for \$20 per month. 

For more information about any of the special programs at the Duarte Teen Center stop in for a visit or call (626) 303-0863.

Duarte Senior Center

The Duarte Senior Center is located at 1610 Huntington Drive. The Senior Center is open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. to all residents 55 years of age and older and offers a variety of services and programs. For more information, call (626) 357-3513.

Cookbooks for Sale

The Duarte Senior Center has published its own cookbook! The Center has the best cooks that you can find anywhere. This is one book you do not want to be without. Pick up your copy at the Senior Center, \$8 for one or \$15 for two.

Lunch

The Senior Center serves lunch Monday thru Friday at 12 p.m. to individuals over 60 years of age or the spouse of someone over age 60 for a suggested donation of \$2 per person. You must be checked in with the front desk by 11:45 a.m., or your lunch will be given to someone on the waiting list. Reservations are required 24 hours in advance, and for "choice day" reservations are required 48 hours in advance. Call (626) 357-3513 for reservations.

Access Transportation

Provides transportation for individuals with disabilities. For eligibility or more information call (800) 827-0829.

Meals On Wheels Program

Eligible seniors can receive a hot lunch and cold dinner plate delivered each weekday, or seven frozen meals delivered once a week by YWCA Intervale Senior Services. For more information, please contact the Senior Center at (626) 357-3513 or Intervale at (626) 858-8382.

Volunteers Needed

The Duarte Senior Center is always in need of volunteers to help with food preparation, serving, table setups, craft projects, decorating, help at special events, etc. If you would like to give back to the community by volunteering, please contact Kelly at the Senior Center (626) 357-3513 ext. 116.

How to Make Medicare Work for You!

Every 2nd Thursday and 4th Friday at the Duarte Senior Center by appointment the Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (HICAP) Counselor provides unbiased information, counseling and assistance on Medicare and related health care coverage including: Medicare Part D, "Extra Help" for Medicare Part D, Medicare HMOs, Medicare PPOs, Medicare Supplement (Medigap) Insurance, Long Term Care, Medi-Cal & Medicare

Savings Programs.

Call the Center at (626) 357-3513 to schedule an appointment.

Lion Sight Program

Free vision care for low-income seniors is offered by appointment. To qualify for the Lions Sight Program, interested parties must be 62 or over, have a yearly income below \$25,900, and must live in Duarte. Three appointments are available per month. Call the Duarte Senior Center at (626) 357-3513 to make an appointment.

Dinner With Us

The Duarte Senior Center partners with many local restaurants to provide an evening meal at the Duarte Senior Center.

Participants have an opportunity to enjoy a restaurant menu while dining at the Center. Seniors and their adult family members are welcome to participate. For more information, call the Center at (626) 357-3513.



Classes

The Senior Center offers a variety of classes for adults 55 years and older. Classes offered this winter will include: Art Appreciation, Ceramics, Cross Fit, English as a Second Language, Exercise with Shelly, Guitar, How to Write Your Own Life's Story, Knitting, Low Impact Aerobics, Piano/Keyboard, Piano private lessons, Music Appreciation, Spanish – Beginning and Intermediate, Strength Training, Tai Chi, and Yoga. For further information, please contact the Senior Center at 357-3513.

AARP Driver Safety Program

Dates: Tuesday & Thursday, January 19 & 21
Time: 1 – 5 p.m.
Fee: \$12 for AARP members & \$14 for non-members
Conducted by AARP at the Duarte Senior Center. Auto insurance companies are required by law to offer discounts to course graduates age 55 and older. Attendance required at both sessions. Reservations and payment are required please call the Senior Center to make an appointment for this event at (626) 357-3513.

Excursions

The City of Duarte is currently taking registration for the following excursion:

The Mission Inn and Heritage House

Tuesday, December 15
10:45 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.
\$38.

The City of Duarte will begin taking registration for the following excursions at Duarte City Hall on December 7. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. for residents with proof of residency, and 9 a.m. for all others. A driver's license, California ID, or utility bill will be accepted as proof of residency. No more than 4 participants can be registered at one time. We accept Visa and MasterCard for purchases over \$30.

Guide Dogs of America and the Nethercutt Museum
Thursday, January 14
9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
\$32
Lunch included

Glendale Centre Theater "See How They Run"
Saturday, January 30
12 p.m. – 6 p.m.
\$34
Lunch included

The Pasadena Museum of History and Lunch at 561 Le Cordon Bleu School
Thursday, February 4
11:45 a.m. – 5:45 p.m.
Lunch included

Fantasy Springs Casino
Tuesday, February 16
9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
\$25 (\$15 back in free play)
Lunch on your own

Disney Concert Hall Tour and Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels
Wednesday, March 3
9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
\$36
Lunch on your own

Aquarium of the Pacific
Tuesday, March 30
8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
\$38
Lunch on your own

City Snapshots

Duarte's 4-1-1

Duarte City Hall.....	(626) 357-7931
Building & Permits	x230/x235
Business Licensing	x213
Field Services.....	x205
Street Lights	x205
Foothill Transit Bus Passes.....	x211
Planning	x230/x235
Redevelopment.....	x230/x235
Transit.....	(626) 358-9627
Duarte Fitness Center.....	(626) 357-6118
Duarte Pool Center	(626) 357-6118
Duarte Teen Center	(626) 303-0863
Duarte Senior Center.....	(626) 357-3513
Public Safety*	(626) 357-7938
Anonymous Tip Line.....	x462/x211
Graffiti Removal	(626) 836-3654
Fire Department	(626) 358-3118
Temple Sheriff Station.....	(626) 448-9861

UTILITIES & SERVICES

Charter Cable.....	(866) 499-8080
Duarte Chamber	(626) 357-3333
Duarte Post Office	(626) 256-6043
Gas Company	(800) 427-2200
California American Water	(888)422-5269
Southern California Edison	(800) 655-4555
Verizon.....	(800) 483-4000
Railroad Problems	(888) 446-9721
Burrtec Waste Disposal	(800) 325-9417
School District.....	(626) 599-5000

*In case of an emergency, call 9-1-1



The Duarte Public Safety Department and the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department will team up with Duarte schools to educate the community's youth of the dangers of drugs.



The Parks & Recreation Department would like to give a BIG THANKS to the local Duarte supporters and contributors of Summer Health Camp 2009!!! We wouldn't be a success without you! For food stamp information, call 877-847-3663. Funded by the USDA Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, an equal opportunity provider and employer.



Duarte Fitness Center
Duarte Transit
Frontier Hardware



Duarte is committed to leading a united community effort to fulfill the Five Promises. The City has pledged to work in partnership with the school district, communities of faith, youth organizations, non-profit and local businesses to ensure that the needs of young people are known, that the talents of individuals in the community are fully tapped, and that resources are effectively and broadly delivered.



The Duarte Senior Center is always in need of volunteers. If you would like to give back to the community, please consider being a Senior Center volunteer. For more information call 357-3513.

Calendar Key*

Commission Meeting	Watershed Restoration Program
Council Meeting	Christmas Tree Lighting
Farmer's Market Huntington Dr. & Buenavista St.	Santa's Visit and Holiday Party
Mayor's Youth Council Meeting	Hannukah
Municipal Election	Christmas Eve City Hall Closed
HIV/AIDS Action Summit	Christmas Day
20th Annual Rose Float Tournament	New Year's Eve City Hall Closed
Veteran's Day: Honoring Those Who Served	Thanksgiving City Hall Closed
Mayor's Thanksgiving Prayer	DUSD Winter Break

*Additional events, information, and commission meetings are available at (626) 357-7931 or www.accessduarte.com. City Hall will be closed on highlighted days due to the Holidays.



Children at Beardslee Elementary have the opportunity to learn about different healthy food choices with the after school nutrition program. The after school nutrition program is taught by Parks and Recreation Nutrition Coordinator, Jasmine Klinton.



Duarte children at a lemonade stand for National Night out. The Duarte Public Safety Department invites you and your neighbors to be a part of the National Night Out 2009 Team. Make plans now to revive your Neighborhood Watch Program and get acquainted with both new and longtime neighbors.



November 2009

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December 2009

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