

City Manager's Report

CITY OF HUNTINGTON
BEACH



September 5, 2018

Four Free Events This Week in Surf City!

Saturday, Sept. 9 — Public Safety Town Hall Meeting, 10 a.m. to Noon

Join Supervisor Michelle Steel, HB Mayor Mike Posey, and Police Chief Rob Handy at HB City Hall Council Chambers to discuss Public Safety in Orange County.

Saturday, Sept. 9 — 30th Annual Senior Saturday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Huntington Beach Council on Aging is proud to announce the 30th Annual Senior Saturday Community Festival at the beautiful Pier Plaza in downtown Huntington Beach.

More info at www.hbcoa.org



Sunday, Sept. 10 — 11th Annual Blessing of Waves, 8:30 a.m.

Blessing of the Waves is an event for anyone and everyone, all ages and all faiths. Come bless the waves with us as we focus for a moment on the importance of water and the environment in all our lives. Join Mayor Mike Posey and other community leaders as we celebrate life through music and reflection. A paddle-out (Mother Nature pending) will conclude the event with hundreds of surfers taking to the water. The event will honor the late Fr. Christian Mondor and Pastor Sumo Sato.



Tuesday, Sept. 11 — Annual Patriot Day Ceremony, 6 p.m.

Hosted by the American Legion Post 133, the Ceremony will be held at Pier Plaza at 6 p.m. and will honor Huntington Beach Police, Fire, and Marine Safety officers.



New Shipley Parking Lot

Code Enforcement Before/After

National Preparedness Month

HBPD Open House Sept. 22

Business Roundtable Recap

Fall Library Programs

Homelessness 101 Class at Senior Center on Sept. 25

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

NEW Shipley Nature Center Parking Lot

Visitors to the Shipley Nature Center in Central Park have been parking in a dirt parking lot for years. As part of the Central Park Master Plan, over the last month, Public Works has managed the work performed by the General Contractor, GMC Engineering, to install a permanent, asphalt paved, parking lot which is nearly completed.

The new parking lot includes 41 marked spaces and features a bus drop-off area and parking spaces/access pathways for individuals with disabilities. Pedestrian sidewalks were constructed around the perimeter of the parking lot to provide hardscape access to pathways leading to the Shipley Nature Center. In addition, lodge pole fencing on the perimeter of the sidewalks was installed to deter visitors from walking into the surrounding slopes and undisturbed areas of Central Park. A block wall trash enclosure was added to provide containment and reduce any blight from the onsite trash bins.

In addition, all surface water runoff from the parking lot will be drained into adjacent landscape areas including a new landscape median in the center of the lot. Lastly, new LED parking lot lights will be installed along with landscaping to finalize the project.



BEFORE



AFTER

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Code Enforcement

Code Enforcement is a division of the Community Development Department. What is Code Enforcement? It is the prevention, detection, investigation and enforcement of violations of statutes or ordinances regulating public health, safety, and welfare. In other words, Code Enforcement helps preserve quality of life. Code Enforcement cases vary from simple to complex.

Highlighted here is a simple complaint received requesting service regarding discarded junk, debris, and accumulation of furniture items on the driveway at residential property in town. Code Enforcement made contact with the property owner and issued a Notice of Violation for clean-up and removal of all items on the driveway within 10 days. A subsequent follow-up inspection was conducted and all items were removed by the compliance due date. Voluntary compliance is the ultimate goal of Code Enforcement.

Before



After



FIRE DEPARTMENT

National Preparedness Month – Get a Kit and Make a Plan

National Preparedness Month (NPM) is observed each September and is sponsored by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) within the Department of Homeland Security. NPM encourages Americans to take simple, but important steps to prepare for emergencies in their homes, businesses, schools, and communities.

Preparing for a disaster is a top priority of the city's Emergency Management and Homeland Security Program. Countless hours have been spent preparing disaster plans, training our employees and volunteers, organizing exercises, and ensuring that the city is prepared for emergencies that may occur in our community. However, we cannot do it on our own. This week the focus will be on "Get a Kit" and "Make a Plan."

GET A KIT

Local officials and relief workers will be on-scene after a disaster, but cannot reach everyone immediately. You may need to survive on your own after an emergency. This means assembling emergency supply kits that include enough food, water, and other supplies to last for at least three days. In addition, basic services such as electricity, gas, water, sewage treatment, and telephones may be cut-off for an extended period of time.

The following are examples of some of the basic supplies for emergency kits, but also visit ReadyOC.org for more details on emergency kits.

72 HOUR DISASTER SUPPLY KIT

- **Supplies:** Flashlight, AM/FM radio, batteries, first aid kit, matches, light sticks, can opener, dish pan, disposable dishes and utensils
- **Food and Water:** Store a minimum of three days supplies of non-perishable canned/dried food, but it is recommended to have a two week supply, with one gallon of water per person, per day
- **Bedding:** Sleeping bag, blankets and tent
- **Clothing:** One change of seasonal clothing per person and comfortable shoes
- **Personal Supplies:** Personal hygiene products, toilet paper, medications and glasses
- **Tools:** Ax, shovel, bucket, wrench or pliers to turn off utilities, whistle, gloves, dust mask, plastic bag liners for sanitation and small tool kit
- **Other:** Water purification tablets, liquid chlorine/bleach, eye dropper, water purification instructions and cell phone with charger
- **Pet Supplies:** Food, water and carrier

NOTE: Do not store liquids (water, bleach, etc.) inside the disaster kit as it can leak. Store water off the ground as concrete can contaminate the contents of the container. Water should be changed every six months.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT (Con't)

A GRAB-N-GO BAG

Each member of your family should have a grab-n-go bag that can be carried in the event of an evacuation. Examples of some of the basic supplies are:

- **Supplies:** Flashlight, AM/FM radio, batteries, first aid kit, matches, whistle, pocket knife, paper/pencil, zip-lock bags/plastic bags, work gloves and dust mask
- **Personal Items:** Eyewear, keys, medications, emergency contact list, hygiene products, sunscreen, small bills and coins
- **Food and Water:** Emergency food, bottled water and purification tablets (also for pets if applicable)
- **Special Considerations:** *For seniors* – dietary needs, hearing aid batteries, wheelchair, walker, cane, supplies such as oxygen and catheters. *For infants* – diapers, wipes, instant baby cereal, bowl and spoon, at least two changes of clothes, light jacket, electrolyte replacement solution, toys, books, stuffed animals, etc.
- **Personal documents:** Photocopies of identification, credit cards and other essential documents like insurance policies and bank account records; photos of family members.

FAMILY CAR KIT

In addition to all of the supplies listed above for the Grab-N-Go bags:

- **Other considerations include:** Jackets, blankets, flares, fire extinguisher, glow or light sticks, screwdriver, pliers, wire, rope, scissors, maps of the most often traveled areas

MAKE A PLAN

Your family may not be together when disaster strikes, so it is important to plan in advance how will you contact one another, how will you get back together and what to do in different situations.

Emergency plan templates are available at ReadyOC.org including a Family Emergency Plan, Pet Emergency Plan, Senior Emergency Plan and Evacuation Plan.

Regardless of the type of disaster, there are things you can do to prepare. Contact your local Red Cross chapter or visit the FEMA Website to be aware of the potential for natural disasters in your community. After identifying the types of disasters that could strike where you live, create a family emergency disaster plan. Make it simple so everyone can remember the details.

- Discuss what to do in an evacuation. When told by officials, go immediately to a shelter as instructed or to the home of a family friend or relative who lives out of the area. Find out about your local shelters beforehand.
- Know evacuation routes. Pre-establish several different routes in case certain roads are blocked or closed.
- Family members can become separated during an emergency. Be prepared by creating a plan for how to reach one another. Establish an out-of-area contact (such as a relative or family friend) who can coordinate family members' locations and information should you become separated. Make sure children learn the phone numbers and addresses, and know the emergency plans.
- Post emergency phone numbers by the phone
- Assemble a family disaster supplies kit and keep a small one in the trunk of your vehicle

For preparedness questions specifically for the City of Huntington Beach, contact Brevyn Mettler, Emergency Services Coordinator, Emergency Management & Homeland Security Office at 714-374-1565 and bmettler@surfcity-hb.org

Disaster Preparedness On-line Resources:

ReadyOC.org HuntingtonBeachca.gov/PrepareHB Ready.gov ShakeOut.org AlertOC.org

POLICE DEPARTMENT

It's almost that time for the annual **Huntington Beach Police Department Open House!** The event is scheduled for **Saturday, September 22**, from 10am to 2pm so mark your calendars today!

This year we will hold some new and exciting live demonstrations from some of our specialty teams including SWAT, K9 and Motors. And of course HB-1 will be kicking off our event by landing the helicopter in the bowl area of City Hall at 10 a.m. sharp! The demonstrations will be scheduled as follows:

- ◆ HB-1 - 10 a.m.
- ◆ SWAT - 11 a.m.
- ◆ Motor Officers - Noon
- ◆ K9 - 1 p.m.

Plan to be here right at 10 a.m. and stay until 2 p.m.! Our Baker to Vegas Running Team will host a BBQ fundraiser, and we will once again offer tours of our entire department including the jail, crime lab, and our newly renovated front desk area. We will have static displays of our police cars, SWAT equipment, the Mounted Enforcement Team, and many, many more!

We look forward to seeing you there!



CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

WalletHub.com Ranks HB #9 "Best City to Raise a Family"

Huntington Beach ranked 9th "Best City to Raise a Family" in a recent study from the leading personal finance outlet [WalletHub.com](https://wallethub.com). You can find the full study here: <https://wallethub.com/edu/best-cities-for-families/4435/>. To determine the most family-friendly places in America, WalletHub compared more than 180 cities across 46 key metrics. The data set ranges from housing affordability to school-system quality to share of families with young kids.

Raising a Family in Huntington Beach (1=Best; 91=Avg.):

- 47th – Median Family Salary (Adjusted for Cost of Living)
- 1st – Unemployment Rate
- 17th – % of Two-Parent Families
- 13th – % of Families Living in Poverty
- 30th – Separation & Divorce Rate
- 16th – Violent-Crime Rate per Capita

OFFICE OF BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

Sunset Beach Business Roundtable

Last Wednesday, Mayor Pro Tem Erik Peterson and Councilmember Lyn Semeta led a roundtable focused on businesses along Pacific Coast Highway at the Sunset Beach Community Center. The well-attended meeting included 20 participants from various businesses within the Sunset Beach area where a number of issues were discussed including increased marketing, street sweeping, and homelessness.

The Office of Business Development (OBD) staff is actively working to address some of the immediate issues that were brought up during the meeting and will keep in regular communication with the local businesses.



Surf City Still Works

Mayor Mike Posey, Councilmember Lyn Semeta, and OBD stopped by Surf City Still Works this past Friday as part of OBD's ongoing business visit program.

Focused on high-quality spirits such as vodka, whiskey, and gin, this husband and wife joint business effort has been open for two months and has already been well received by the business community, landing accounts with Lazy Dog, Costco, and Vons. They acknowledge the ease of working with City staff on permitting and quality of customer service. Their limited tasting room hours are Friday from 4 to 8 p.m., and Saturday from 1 to 8 p.m., but plan to expand those hours in the future.



Surf City Still Works is located 7242 Heil Avenue. You can learn more about them by visiting www.surfcitystillworks.com.

LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**Big Things are Going on Now at the Library Branches!**

The **Main Street Branch Library** is happy to host the second installment of the popular “**Mobile Makers,**” a STEAM-based mobile Maker Space program! The first of three sessions will take place on **Wednesday, September 12, from 3:30 to 5 p.m.** Tweens ages 8-12 are invited to join other kids their age at Main Street library’s first ever Maker Space. During session one, kids will learn how to make some really cool things using a 3D printer!

Those interested in any of the three sessions are required to register at www.hbpl.libcal.com/calendar/branches to reserve their spot. The next two sessions of the program, which will explore how to make a circuit-based machine using LittleBits, and a LEGO movie using stop/motion animation, will take place on **September 19 and 26.** The Main Street branch library is located at 525 Main Street, and can be reached at 714-375-5071.



Effective **September 14, at 2 p.m.**, the **Oak View Branch Library** will begin having their “**Afternoon Storytime & Crafts**” on Fridays. Children in grades K through fifth are encouraged to join Miss Maribel for back-to-school themed crafts, stories and fun!

Also, the “**Homework Club**” will be starting up again on **Monday, September 17.** This is a quiet and safe place for students in grades K through high school to receive free assistance with homework and with special projects. Homework Club Program hours are Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 2-5 p.m., and Wednesday 12:30-4:30 p.m. Registration is required, and is available on the library’s online calendar.



Finally, members of the **Banning Branch Book Club** are encouraged to finish up with the club’s latest pick, “**Loving Frank,**” by Nancy Horan, in preparation for the next meeting taking place on **Thursday, September 20, at 5:30 p.m.** Join other lovers of historical fiction for an exploration of the clandestine romance between Frank Lloyd Wright and Mamah Borthwick Cheney, who commissioned the renowned architect to design a new home for her and her husband. Blending fact and fiction together brilliantly, Horan weaves little-known facts into a compelling narrative.



This free event is intended for adults aged 18 and over. Attendees will enjoy refreshments beginning at 5:30 p.m., followed by a lively discussion of the book at 5:45 p.m. The Banning Branch Library is located at 9281 Banning Avenue. For more information, call 714 -375-5005.

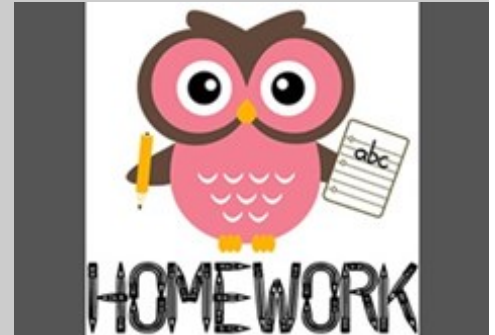
LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Fall in the Children's Department of the HBPL!

Homework Help

Our homework help programs begin Monday, September 17! Homework help is available Mon. – Wed. from 3:30-5 p.m. in the Talbert Room.

The Homework Club is for students in grades 1-8 and provides assistance to students in completing their school homework assignments. In addition, we have our Math Club which meets from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Talbert Room to aid older students in grades 6-12 with their math homework. Teens and adults who wish to volunteer as homework helpers should come to an orientation meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 12, at 4 p.m. in the Talbert Room. Students who want to participate in our Homework Club program need to fill out a registration form available on September 17 at our first meeting.



Teen Volunteers



We are restructuring our Teen Volunteer program in the Children's Dept. Teens who wish to volunteer must attend our new quarterly Teen Volunteer Training events. Our next training sessions are available on Wednesday, Oct. 3 from 4-5:30 p.m. or Thursday, Oct. 4, from 7 -8:30 p.m.

All volunteers must attend one of these training sessions in order to be eligible for volunteer shifts from October through December. Current volunteers who want to continue volunteering **must** also attend our new training session on October 3 or 4. Register online at <https://hbpl.libcal.com/event/4537275>

INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Did you know that the City website contains information about parking violations and related fees? Click on the Residents navigation tab, then click on Parking Information. You will find a link to this page on the Parking Information page.

http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/residents/parking/parking_enforcement.cfm

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT



Huntington Beach Council On Aging

30TH ANNUAL



**SENIOR SATURDAY
COMMUNITY FESTIVAL**

September 8, 2018

9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Pier Plaza, Downtown HB

For more info: HBCOA.org or call

714-536-5600



CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE



Please join
Supervisor Michelle Steel at the

**ORANGE COUNTY
PUBLIC SAFETY
TOWN HALL**

in Huntington Beach

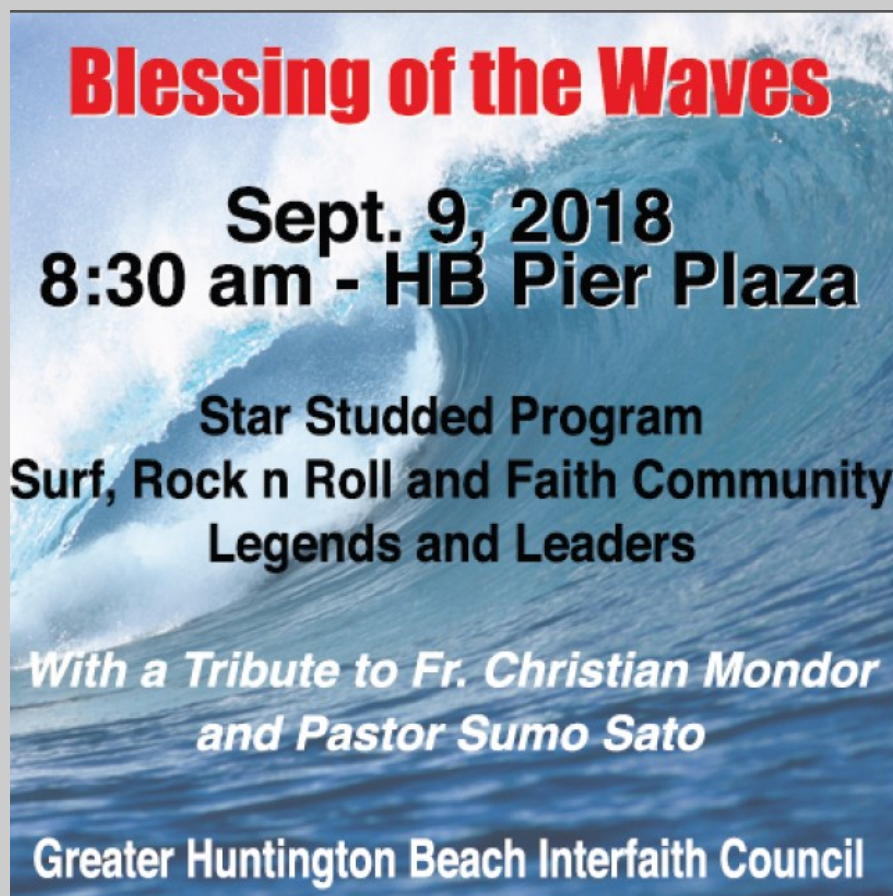
SAT 8 2018 **10AM-12PM**

SEP 8 **2018**

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
HUNTINGTON BEACH CITY HALL
2000 MAIN STREET, HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA

CO-HOST:
MAYOR MIKE POSEY

PASTRIES & COFFEE WILL BE SERVED



Blessing of the Waves

Sept. 9, 2018
8:30 am - HB Pier Plaza

Star Studded Program
Surf, Rock n Roll and Faith Community
Legends and Leaders

With a Tribute to Fr. Christian Mondor
and Pastor Sumo Sato

Greater Huntington Beach Interfaith Council

HOMELESSNESS 101



**UNITED TO END
HOMELESSNESS**

United to End Homelessness and The City of Huntington Beach have partnered together to bring this informative class to you.

Homelessness has reached crisis levels both locally and nationally. Many factors, including misinformation and myths, contribute to this growing problem.

This Homelessness 101 class will provide information and answer some of the most frequently asked questions about this issue.

What is homelessness?

What causes people to become homeless?

Who is experiencing homelessness in Orange County?

What is the current state of homelessness in Orange County?

How can homelessness be solved?

By the end of this session, you will become familiar with many of the approaches, philosophies and terminologies associated with homelessness. More importantly, you will gain a much better understanding of the homeless system in our community, including the most up-to-date statistics and best practices for solving homelessness in Orange County for good.



Led by:

Becks Heyhoe

Manager, Housing

Orange County United Way

Tuesday, September 25

6:00pm–8:00pm

Senior Center in Central Park

18041 Goldenwest Drive

Parkview Room

Huntington Beach, CA 92648

Register to attend at <https://huntingtonbeach101.eventbrite.com>

If you have any questions, please contact Kellee Fritzel at kfritzel@surfcity-hb.org or 714-374-1519

Empowered by



**UnitedtoEndHomelessness.org
#EndHomelessnessOC**



City Hall Directory

City Attorney	(714) 536-5555
City Clerk	(714) 536-5227
Passports	(714) 374-1600
City Council	(714) 536-5553
City Manager	(714) 536-5202
Community Services	(714) 536-5486
Beach Operations	(714) 536-5281
Business Development	(714) 536-5582
Finance Department	(714) 536-5630
Business Licenses	(714) 536-5267
Fire Department	(714) 536-5411
Human Resources	(714) 536-5492
Information Services	(714) 536-5515
Library Services	(714) 842-4481
Community Development	(714) 536-5271
Code Enforcement	(714) 375-5155
Police Department	(714) 960-8811
Public Works	(714) 536-5431
Graffiti Removal	(714) 960-8861



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