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City of Palmdale Announces “Season of Service” Events for 2016

PALMDALE – The City of Palmdale has announced its “Season of Service” events for 2016, as part of the City’s participation in the “National Day of Service” in recognition of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Jan. 18, 2016.

“The number of events and the number of residents who are engaging with our community continues to grow,” said Community Programs Supervisor Trish Jones. “We have designed the “Season of Service” to both offer service projects for residents to join in on as well as to provide resources and information so that residents may develop their own service projects.”

Last year, Palmdale residents got engaged in their City and donated over 40,000 hours of service towards making Palmdale an even better place to live. “All it takes to volunteer is a willingness to give, an interest in your community, and your time,” Jones said. “There is no minimum number of hours required, every hour donated is valuable. And, there’s practically no limit to how you can get involved.”

The 2016 Season of Service events include:

MLK Day of Service: Adopt-A- Block - Saturday, Jan.16, 2016

Community Partner: The Palmdale Dream Center/ACT/New Image Church

Registration Location: Palmdale Dream Center, 38518 5th St. East, Palmdale

Time: 8 – 8:30 am registration; 8:30 am project begins.

Join friends, neighbors and the students of Antelope Valley YouthBuild in making a difference in our neighborhoods.

Homeless Services Awareness Meeting - Wednesday, Jan. 20, 2016

Community Partner: Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority

Event Location: Chimbole Cultural Center, 38350 Sierra Highway, Palmdale

Time: 9 -11 am registration

Learn more about services available to homeless individuals and families in the Antelope Valley. Opportunities will be available to discuss how you can engage with local agencies as well.

Antelope Valley Homeless Count - Thursday, Jan. 28, 2016

Community Partner: LAHSA/AV Homeless Coalition

Registration Locations: Varies; complete list at

www.cityofpalmdale.org/servicedays

Time: 5 – 6 am: Registration/training; 6 am project commences.

Participate in the annual event to document Homeless in our community. Count provides valuable information for funding and program development.

Global Youth Service Day Planning Event - Wednesday, Feb. 10, 2016 –

Community Partner: Youth Service America/State Farm

Location: Chimbole Cultural Center, 38350 Sierra Highway, Palmdale

Time: 6 – 8 pm

Join other Palmdale Youth in discussing service in the community and help plan the April 2016 Global Youth Service Day.

Spring Cleaning: Airpark Edition - Saturday, Feb. 20, 2016

Community Partner: Palmdale Adopt-A-Plane Groups

Registration Location: Joe Davies Heritage Airpark, 2001 East Ave. P, Palmdale

Time: 8 – 8:30 am registration; 8:30 am project begins.

Join our dedicated Adopt-a-Plane groups in preparing the Airpark for another great season of visitors from around the world.

Spring Cleaning: SAVES Edition - Saturday, March 5, 2016

Community Partner: Advancing Communities Together (ACT)/New Image Church

Location: SAVES, 1002 East Avenue Q-12, Palmdale

Time: 8 – 8:30 am registration; 8:30 am project begins.

Partner with the students of AV YouthBuild in the annual spring cleaning of this valuable service center.

Adopt-a-Block: Hammack Neighborhood - Saturday, April 2, 2016

Community Partners: The Palmdale Dream Center/ACT//New Image Church

Registration Location: TBD

Time: 8 – 8:30 am registration; 8:30 am project begins.

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Global Youth Service Day - Saturday, April 16, 2016

Community Partners: Youth Service America/State Farm

Location: To Be Determined

Time: 8 – 8:30 am registration; 8:30 am project begins.

Youth and the young at heart will join with youth around the world in celebrating International Global Youth Service Day by giving back to their community.

Stamp Out Hunger - Saturday, May 14, 2016

Community Partner: United States Postal Service

Location: SAVES, 1002 East Avenue Q-12, Palmdale

Time: Varied, (Complete list at www.cityofpalmdale.org/servicedays)

Partner with local letter carriers for the 23rd Annual *Stamp Out Hunger* Food Drive. Food assists local families in need.

Volunteer under age 16 must be accompanied by an adult. All participants must complete a Release of Liability (available at www.cityofpalmdale.org or at event registration).

“If you’re not sure what you’re interested in, give us a call at 661/267-5473 after Jan. 4, and we can help you identify areas of interest,” Jones added. “Or visit us online at www.cityofpalmdale.org/Engaged.”

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