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Palmdale City Hall to Close for Christmas, Furlough and New Year's Holidays;
Maintenance and Emergency Services Will Be Available

PALMDALE – The City of Palmdale's administrative and business offices will be closed Friday, Dec. 23 through Tuesday, Jan. 3 in observance of the Christmas and New Year's holiday, as well as part of a cost saving unpaid furlough, but emergency and maintenance services will still be available to residents. City offices will reopen for regular business hours, 7:30 am to 6 pm on Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2017.

The Palmdale City Library will only be closed Saturday, Dec. 24, Sunday, Dec. 25, Saturday, Dec. 31, and Sunday, Jan. 1. The Library will reopen Monday, Jan. 2 at 10 am. Online services will be available during the closure at www.cityofpalmdale.org/library.

The Chimbole Cultural Center will be closed Saturday, Dec. 24 through Friday, Jan. 13 for the furlough and for scheduled maintenance. For questions or assistance, please call Recreation and Culture at 267-5611.

The Palmdale Playhouse will be closed from Sunday, Dec. 18 through Sunday, Jan. 8 for scheduled programs and classes. Tickets for upcoming Playhouse events may be purchased any time online at www.palmdaleplayhouse.com.

South Antelope Valley Emergency Services (SAVES) will be closed from Friday, Dec. 23 through Tuesday, Jan. 3. Residents who require temporary services from SAVES during the furlough are encouraged to contact Grace Resources Center, located at 45134 N. Sierra Hwy. in Lancaster. The phone number for Grace Resources is 661/940-5272 and their hours of operation are 9 am to 5 pm.

The Palmdale Transportation Center will remain open providing Metrolink and Greyhound service on its regular schedule, except on the Federally recognized observance of Christmas Day, Dec. 26 and New Year's Day, Jan. 1, when the facility will be open on a modified weekend schedule. (On Jan. 2, Metrolink will operate a train to accommodate Tournament of Roses Parade attendees).

The Volunteer Program at the City Maintenance Center will be closed during the furlough week and will reopen on Tuesday, Jan. 3 at 6 am.

Legacy Commons for Active Seniors will be closed for classes and activities from Monday, Dec 26 through Monday, Jan. 2, and will reopen on Tuesday, Jan. 3. During the furlough, the lunch program, provided by YWCA, will continue at Legacy Commons, from 10am to 12 noon on the following days indicated below.

Holiday Lunch Schedule

Dec. 26 - No Lunch Service

Dec. 27—Box lunch available, order in advance

Dec. 28—Box lunch available, order in advance

Dec. 29—Box lunch available, order in advance

Dec. 30—Box lunch available, order in advance

Jan. 2 - No Lunch Service

Jan. 3– Normal lunch schedule resumes

To ensure a box lunch, individuals must sign up in advance by calling YWCA Senior Services at 661/948-2320, or by speaking to Beattie at Legacy Commons.

The Joe Davies Heritage Airpark at Palmdale Plant 42 will be open during the furlough regular hours: Friday and Saturday from 11 am to 4 pm, weather permitting. The airpark will be closed Christmas Day, Sunday, Dec. 25 and New Year's Day, Sunday, Jan. 1. Guided tours will not be available during the furlough.

Emergencies/Public Works/Public Safety

Public works crews will be working through the furlough to handle any emergencies that may arise. Emergencies include sewer overflows, roadway/right of way hazards including downed tree limbs, downed signs and potholes, or broken sprinkler lines in City parks and landscaped areas. To report emergencies after hours, weekends or on holidays, residents may call 661/267-5338 or download the MyWaste App at www.cityofpalmdale.org/Businesses/Public-Works/Environmental.

Maintenance functions such as street sweeping and park maintenance will continue during the furlough. In the event of emergencies residents may call our emergency number at 661/267-5338 and staff will respond.

The City's furlough does not affect local Los Angeles County Sheriff's or Fire services.

Recreation & Culture Programs

Although the City's Recreation & Culture office will be closed, residents may view upcoming programs and register for them online at www.playpalmdale.com

Business Licenses

Businesses that have business licenses with the City of Palmdale with an expiration date of Dec. 31, 2016 may pay their fee online during the City's unpaid furlough in December.

Business licenses may be paid online 24 hours a day, seven days a week during the furlough by visiting <https://palmdale.onestoppayments.net/webrenewals/>.

Parking & Administrative Citations

Parking and administrative citations may be paid online at www.cityofpalmdale.org/Residents/Neighborhood-Services/Parking-Enforcement/Pay-Citation during the furlough, 24 hours 7 days a week. Citations may also be paid or disputed by phone by calling 866/420-2894, Monday through Friday, from 8 am to 5 pm. During the furlough, tow releases may be paid at the Palmdale Sheriff's Station at 750 East Avenue Q in Palmdale.