



## PRESS RELEASE

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### **3<sup>rd</sup> of July Fireworks Spectacular Recap**

*Los Alamitos, CA* – The 37<sup>th</sup> annual Universal Waste Systems 3rd of July Fireworks Spectacular, held at the Los Alamitos Joint Forces Training Base on Wednesday, July 3, was an unparalleled success. Sponsored by the cities of Los Alamitos & Seal Beach, this free public event witnessed an estimated turnout of 13,000 and 14,000 attendees. The celebration began at 4:00 p.m. and ended with a stunning 18+ minute fireworks display at 9:00 p.m.

This year's event featured a newly envisioned Family Fun Zone, a Stars and Stripes area (VIP), an MWR-sponsored beer garden, and an expansion of food and merchandise vendors. The beer garden was enhanced with a beer tap truck featuring multiple options. One of the many highlights included the expansion of 24 different local food and merchandise vendors. Despite the tremendous crowds, professional and meticulous crowd management allowed attendees to navigate the event with relative ease.

Additionally, those who arrived early had the opportunity to explore the impressive display of military vehicles and equipment all to themselves. The large displays added to the patriotic theme of the event. Musical entertainment was also in abundance; the Family Fun Zone played nonstop catchy tunes while the main stage offered a medley of country hits performed by Redneck Rodeo. Additionally, the main stage welcomed performances by the 40<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Band, including a riveting performance of the Star-Spangled Banner.

The Family Fun Zone opened from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and allowed families and children to enjoy various games and entertainment while waiting for the main event. Some of the attractions included:

- carnival-style games
- face painting
- photo backdrops
- calming area
- stage competitions
- magic show



- reptile show

A very special thank you goes to this year's sponsors whose generous contributions allowed the event to remain free to the public:

- City of Seal Beach – event partner
- Universal Waste Systems – Title Sponsor
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This year's UWS 3rd of July Fireworks Spectacular was a celebration of national independence and community strength, and the City of Los Alamitos Recreation & Community Services Department looks forward to the next.

For more information about upcoming events and programs, please visit [www.cityoflosalamitos.org/recreation](http://www.cityoflosalamitos.org/recreation) or contact the Recreation and Community Services Department at (562) 430 – 1073.

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**4:00 p.m.**  
Event Begins

**4:15 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.**  
Live Music on the Main Stage  
Vendors & Beer Garden  
\*Family Zone & \*Military Displays  
*\*Areas close at 8:00 p.m.*

**9:00 p.m.**  
Fireworks Spectacular

**10:15 p.m.**  
Parking Lot closes

**FAMILY ZONE**

**4:00 p.m.**  
Family Zone Opens

**5:00 p.m.**  
Reptile Show

**6:20 p.m.**  
Family Game (Stage)

**7:00 p.m.**  
Magic Show

**8:00 p.m.**  
Family Zone Closes



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