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Trunk Or Treat

The City of Los Alamitos Recreation and Community Services Department hosted the 14th annual MemorialCare Miller Children's & Women's Hospital Long Beach Trunk Or Treat event presented by Southland Credit Union on Saturday, October 25, 2025, at Little Cottonwood Park. The City of Los Alamitos greatly appreciates the continued partnership and support of these sponsors, whose generosity helps make community events like this possible for residents to enjoy at no cost. From 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., the community gathered in record numbers to enjoy a fun and safe Halloween celebration. With nearly perfect weather, families arrived early, eager to explore all the activities at the park. The event featured food vendors, carnival-style games, a train ride, bounce houses, themed trunks, a free pumpkin patch, stage competitions, and more. Trunk or Treat remains a highlight of the community, marking the start of the fall season.

This year's event saw an estimated 5,500 attendees, the largest turnout to date. More than 40 local businesses, residents, and organizations transformed their vehicles' trunks into creative and colorful displays, each handing out candy and goodies to the trick-or-treaters roaming the park. Popular displayed themes included those inspired by popular movies, cartoons, and family favorites such as Jurassic Park, Harry Potter, and Minions.

At the center of the event, the free pumpkin patch sponsored by Southland Credit Union welcomed families to pick out a pumpkin to take home free of charge. Over 600 pumpkins were arranged throughout the hay-filled area, creating a perfect backdrop for Fall photos. This tradition is a highlight for many families, as it provides the opportunity to continue Halloween activities at home and paint or carve their pumpkins just in time for Halloween.

Adjacent to the pumpkin patch, kids lined up to participate in one of many inflatable carnival-style games. Games included Skee Ball, basketball, ring toss, and baseball throws. Every participant received a small prize to take home, ensuring everyone left with

a smile. Meanwhile, the main stage drew a lively crowd throughout the evening. The costume contest featured five different categories by age, as well as family and pet divisions. Between contests, two pumpkin eating competitions also gave adults a chance to join in on the fun. Nearby, you could also hear the popular train ride circling the perimeter of the park and weaving through glow tunnels, offering a unique perspective of the event's colorful lights.

For parents seeking a relaxing spot, the Los Alamitos Community Foundation Beverage Garden provided a comfortable area with adult beverages. All proceeds benefited the Los Alamitos Community Foundation and its mission to support philanthropy and enhance the quality of life for Los Alamitos residents.

Throughout the evening, attendees were joined by Mayor Shelley Hasselbrink, Mayor Pro Tem Tanya Doby, and Council Member Gary Loe who spent time greeting the community and thanking sponsors and volunteers.

As the night came to a close, families made their way out of Little Cottonwood Park with pumpkins and candy in hand. Many participants stayed until the final minutes to enjoy the festive atmosphere and snap a few more pictures. Trunk Or Treat once again delivered a family-friendly, memorable evening, continuing its tradition as one of Los Alamitos' most beloved annual celebrations. The City of Los Alamitos Recreation and Community Services Department thanks everyone who participated and invites everyone to return for the next event. For a list of upcoming events, please visit cityoflosalamitos.org/recreation.

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