



Weekly E-News

News

HOLIDAY TREE DISPOSAL

(Residential)



**HOLIDAY TREE/FOLIAGE
WILL BE COLLECTED FROM
DECEMBER 26, 2025
THROUGH JANUARY 16, 2026**

Please Remember:

- No artificial trees or foliage.
- Remove all decorations & tinsel.
- Place the tree at the curb next to the bins on your regular collection day.
- Do not block streets, alleyways, or sidewalks.



Holiday Tree Disposal Reminder

From December 26, 2025, through January 16, 2026, UWS is offering curbside collection for your holiday tree. For neighborhoods without curb access, trees may be placed next to your trash bin instead.

Please make sure to follow these guidelines to ensure safe, smooth, and efficient pickup:

- No artificial trees or synthetic foliage.
- Remove all decorations including ornaments, lights, hooks, and tinsel.
- Place your tree at the curb on your regular collection day.
- Keep streets, alleyways, and sidewalks clear so our crews can safely access and

collect your tree.

If you miss the collection window or need tree removal after January 16, 2026, please call (562) 941-4900 to schedule a bulky item pickup.



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LOS AL
LINK

In partnership with
@CIRCUIT

**GETTING AROUND
LOS AL
JUST GOT EASIER!**

The City of Los Alamitos will launch a new on-demand transportation service, Los Al Link for residents to improve local mobility.

Download the App:



- *Eco-friendly*
- *Accessible*
- *Safe*
- *Connecting Los Al*

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- **Free for ages 50+!**

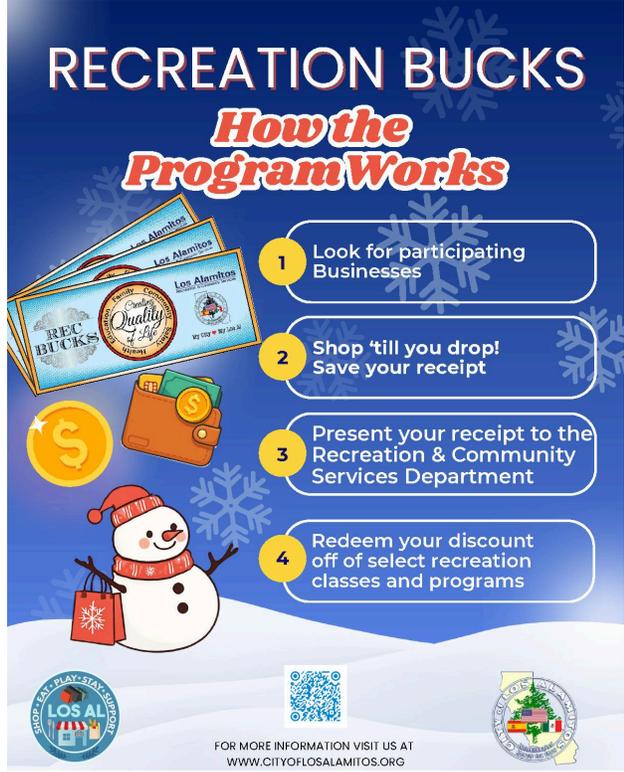


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RECREATION BUCKS

How the Program Works



- 1 Look for participating Businesses
- 2 Shop 'till you drop! Save your receipt
- 3 Present your receipt to the Recreation & Community Services Department
- 4 Redeem your discount off of select recreation classes and programs

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT US AT WWW.CITYOFLOSALAMITOS.ORG

Shop Local and Get Rewarded

When you shop at participating Los Alamitos businesses, you earn Recreation Bucks that can be used as discounts on select classes and programs offered by the Los Alamitos Recreation & Community Services Department.

The more you shop, the more you save so it really pays to support local businesses!

The table below shows how much you need to spend at a participating business and the Recreation Bucks you can use toward a City recreation class.

To see a full list of participating businesses, click on the table below:

| Dollars Spent at Business | Recreation Bucks (Discount) |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| \$30.00 | \$10.00 |
| \$50.00 | \$20.00 |
| \$70.00 | \$30.00 |
| \$100.00 | \$40.00 |
| \$125.00 | \$50.00 |
| \$150.00 | \$65.00 |

Are you a local business or do you know someone who is?

Be part of the Los Alamitos Recreation Bucks Program and support your community while boosting your business. Participating businesses help shoppers earn rewards that can be used for discounts on City recreation classes and programs. It's free, easy to join, and a great way to attract local customers and show your community pride.

Have additional questions? Please visit the City website at www.cityoflosalamitos.org



Los Alamitos Police
CITIZENS' ACADEMY
February 24, 2026 - April 20, 2026

The Citizens' Academy is an opportunity for community members to gain first-hand experience and behind-the-scenes knowledge about Los Alamitos Police Department operations



ELIGIBILITY:

- MUST LIVE OR WORK IN LOS ALAMITOS OR SURROUNDING CITIES
- MUST BE AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE
- BE ABLE TO PASS A CRIMINAL HISTORY BACKGROUND CHECK

WHEN:

- TUESDAY EVENINGS FROM 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
- STARTING ON FEBRUARY 24, 2026
- GRADUATION ON APRIL 20, 2026

HOW TO APPLY:

- APPLY ONLINE AT CITYFOSALAMITOS.ORG
- OR THROUGH THE QR CODE

For more information, contact:
Bruce Murphy
BMurphy@cityofosalamitos.org




Los Alamitos Police Citizens' Academy

The Police Department is excited to announce that applications are now being accepted for the next Citizens Academy. Classes will be held on Tuesdays from February 24, 2026, through April 20, 2026. Please note there will be no class on St. Patrick's Day; that session will instead be held on Wednesday, March 18, 2026. This engaging and highly informative program offers community members a rare opportunity to look inside the world of law enforcement, and to learn firsthand what goes into keeping our neighborhoods safe.



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 888-200-3302 Message and data rates apply
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[@605Katella](https://www.facebook.com/605Katella)

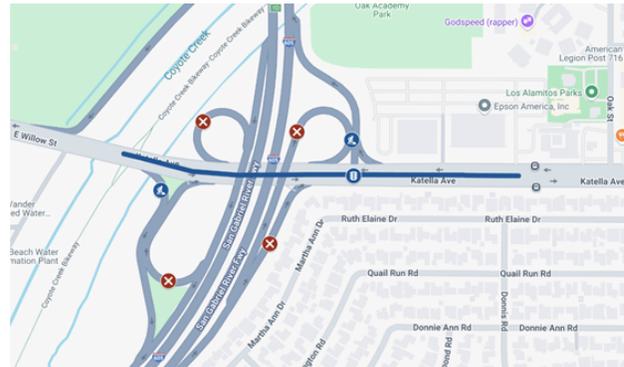


ABOUT THE PROJECT

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), in cooperation with Caltrans, is improving the local interchange at Interstate 605 (I-605) and Katella Avenue. The project will enhance safety and traffic flow by modifying existing on- and off-ramps, making improvements on

I-605/Katella Interchange

CLOSURES AND DETOURS MAP



An interactive "Closures and Detours Map" will be updated regularly highlighting major activities and associated closures and detours. We encourage the community to bookmark the link for quick access to real-time construction information. Click on the image to be redirected, or [Click here](#).

For more information, including closures and detours visitocta.net/605Construction, or email the Outreach Team at: 605KatellaInfo@octa.net.

Recreation and Community Services



The poster features the Jr. Clippers Basketball logo in the top left corner. The main title "JR. CLIPPERS SKILLS CLINIC" is prominently displayed in red and white. Below the title, two young boys are shown: one in a white jersey with "Clippers" and "5" on it, and another in a blue jersey with "Clippers" and "41" on it, holding a basketball. A table at the bottom provides the schedule for two sessions. At the very bottom, a red banner contains the slogan "My City ♥ My Los Al".

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|------------|-------------------|
| GRADES K-3 | 11:30AM - 12:30PM |
| GRADES 4-8 | 12:45PM - 1:45PM |

SATURDAY - JAN. 10

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Free Basketball Clinic

Don't miss out on the opportunity to develop your child's basketball skills this **Saturday, January 10!** The Jr. Clippers will be hosting a **FREE Skills Clinic** led by Jr. Clippers coaches for what is going to be a fun and exciting afternoon. This clinic is open to participants within the Original Rainbow Cone Los Alamitos Youth Basketball League and as well as open to the public. Feel free to invite your friends and family who might be interested. However, don't wait, as there is a maximum of 60 participants for each session. For clinic information and to register, please see below:



Pee Wee & All-Star Divisions

Grades: K-3

Time: 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Location: Oak Middle School Gym
(10821 Oak St.)

[Register Here](#)

Dream Team & Legends Divisions

Grades: 4-8

Time: 12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

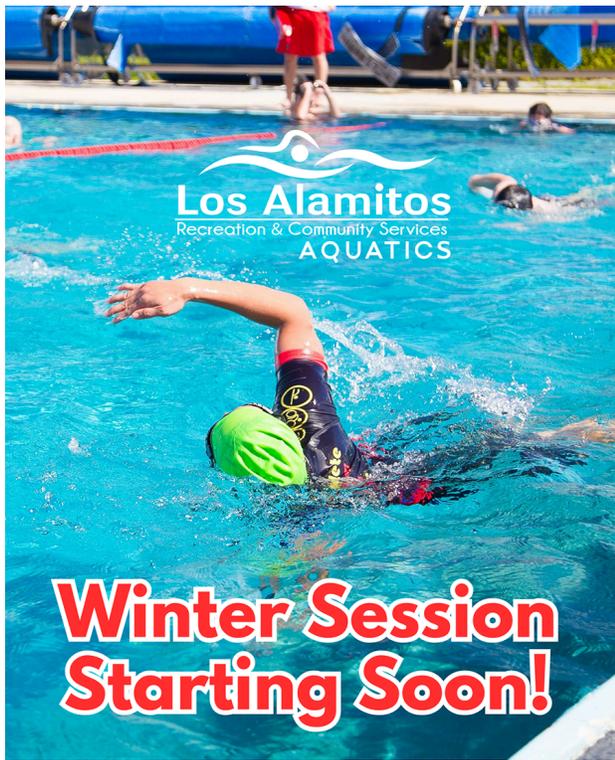
Location: Oak Middle School Gym
(10821 Oak St.)

[Register Here](#)



Registration is still open for our **Original Rainbow Los Alamitos Youth Basketball League** in partnership with Jr. Clippers. If you know of someone who is interested, send them our way. Registration will remain open through January 12.

[Register Here](#)



Make a Splash with Los Alamitos Aquatics

Whether you're splashing around in a Parent & Me class or leveling up in Pre-Swim Team, there's something for everyone!

All classes are held at the MWR Aquatic Center on the Joint Forces Training Base in Los Alamitos. Let the fun begin!

- 25-minute classes
- Monday/Wednesday or Saturday options available

Session 1: January 12 – February 9

Session 2: February 23 – March 28

Register today and dive into fun!

[Register Here](#)



Get Creative & Organized This New Year

The City of Los Alamitos invites participants requiring additional support or accommodations due to physical, mental, or developmental disabilities to join us at our Adaptive Recreation Monthly Meet-Up! This inclusive afternoon is free and open to all ages in the disabled community. Come join us for a creative afternoon as we create custom calendars for the new year! Please note that a parent/guardian and/or aide are required to accompany participants at all times.

[Register Here](#)



The UWS Race on the Base is Back!

Join us on Saturday, February 28, 2026, as the UWS Race on the Base returns to Los Alamitos Joint Forces Training Base. This isn't your average race. It's the ultimate all-in-one endurance party where runners, cyclists, and swimmers come together for one epic day on an active airfield. Yep—you'll run, ride, and race past real military displays as you conquer the course! Join us for the 5K Run/Walk or the Reverse Sprint Triathlon.

[Register Here](#)



Calling All Artists

The Los Alamitos Recreation & Community Services Department, in partnership with the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission, proudly invites the community to experience the 11th Annual Weekend of Art in Los Alamitos. This beloved annual celebration showcases creativity, talent, and artistic expression for all ages. Mark your calendar and join us for an inspiring and vibrant weekend.



The exhibition opens to the public on Friday, March 27, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m., and continues Saturday, March 28, from 12:00 to 7:00 p.m. The Awards Ceremony will be held on Saturday, March 28, at 6:00 p.m. Attendees can enjoy a dynamic art exhibition, hands-on children's art activities, arts and crafts vendor booths, live performances, and the recognition of outstanding artists during the awards presentation.

Aspiring artists are encouraged to participate. Those interested in submitting artwork are invited to complete the Artist Application below.

[Artist Application Here](#)





Pick-up Basketball

Pick-Up Basketball is back on Tuesday nights! Join us for Pick-Up Basketball from 8:30 – 10:00 p.m. at the Oak Middle School Gym (10821 Oak St.)

Please note: Starting on January 6, 2026, the new drop-in basketball fee will be \$6 and will be completely cashless. No form of cash payment will be accepted.

Come solo or bring friends and rotate through games of basketball. **Must be at least 18 years old.** All skill levels welcome!



Let us do the planning...
 LET'S BE HONEST... PARTIES TAKE A LOT OF TIME AND ENERGY TO PLAN. LUCKILY, THAT'S WHERE WE COME IN! CHOOSE FROM A MENU OF PARTY THEMES WITH A VARIETY OF OPTIONS TO MAKE YOUR CHILD'S BIRTHDAY FUN, MEMORABLE, AND STRESS FREE!

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Let Us Do The Planning

Let's be honest... parties take a lot of time and energy to plan. That's where we come in! Choose from a variety of fun, themed **party packages** such as **Dance Party, Sports Zone, Lil' Artist** or choose your own custom theme! We have also expanded our package offerings to include **Bridal & Baby Showers, Teen Birthdays, and Weddings!** Designed to make your celebration fun, memorable, and stress-free, we are here to make your party easier from start to finish.

Explore our party options online at cityoflosalamitos.org/recreation or give us a call at (562) 430-1073 to start planning today!



Calling All Seniors

Are you ready to make new friends or perhaps learn something new? Join us and discover all our engaging programming for the aging adult by clicking the link below. Don't miss out on the fun!

[Click Here](#)



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FREE WORKSHOP

All
Seniors
50+

Pre-registration encouraged, but walk-ins welcome.
Refreshments and giveaways
for the first 10 who register and attend!
(Must both register and attend workshop to collect giveaway.)

1/13/26*
6:00-7:00p.m.

*NEW DATE

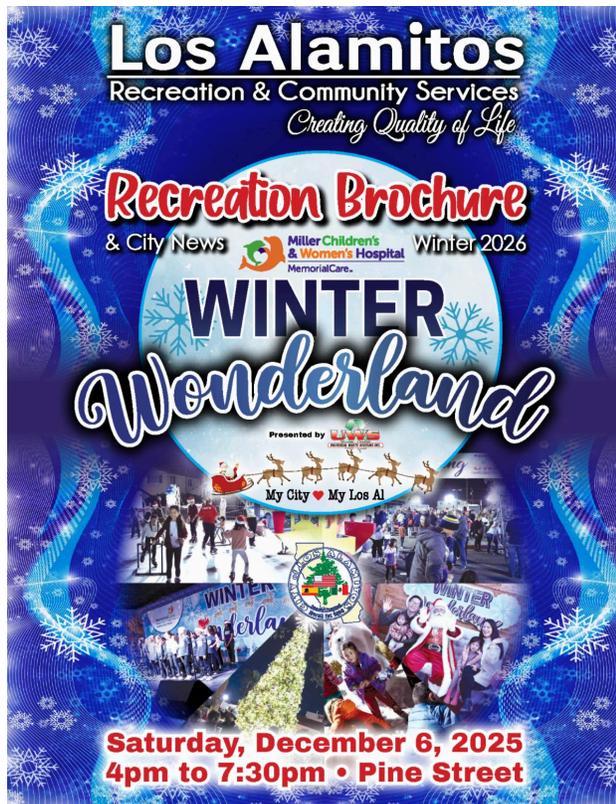
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Alzheimer's OC

Los Alamitos Community Center
10911 Oak St., Los Alamitos, CA 90720
(562) 430-1073 • cityoflosalamitos.org/recreation

Free Programming for Seniors

Come and enjoy a wide range of programs designed to meet the needs of our older adult community. Each offering is thoughtfully selected based on priorities identified through the Senior Master Plan. Please click the link below for more information.

[Click Here](#)



Winter Brochure

The 2026 City of Los Alamitos Winter Recreation Brochure is available now. There are so many new and exciting classes and camps to keep you and your family busy all winter that you don't want to miss!

The [MemorialCare Miller Children's & Women's Hospital Long Beach](#) Scholarships are also available for eligible Los Alamitos residents.

2026 Recreation & Community Services Special Event Opportunities

The Recreation & Community Services Department invites your business to get involved as a Special Event Vendor or an Event Sponsor at one of our upcoming special events. Your partnership can help support our events and keep them free to the public while gaining a wide variety of marketing and community engagement benefits. To view full details, requirements and applications, please click below:



Vendor Application



Sponsor Applications

Online Calendar



For more details on all City events,
please visit our online calendar at:
www.cityoflosalamitos.org

Click Here

Business Calendar

Upcoming City Meetings

**Upcoming Schedule
City Business**



The City Council meeting will meet in person on Tuesday, January 20, 2026 due to the holiday, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber located at 3191 Katella Ave., Los Alamitos, CA 90720.

Full agenda details can be found on the City's website at: <http://cityoflosalamitos.org/129/Agendas-Minutes>

UPCOMING SCHEDULE
CITY BUSINESS

- JAN 20*** CITY COUNCIL
6:00 p.m. - Third Monday of the Month
* Due to the holiday
- FEB 4*** PARKS, RECREATION, AND CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION
6:00 p.m. - First Wednesday of Even Months
* Cancelled December Regular Meeting
- JAN 28*** PLANNING COMMISSION
6:00 p.m. - Fourth Wednesday of the Month
* Cancelled December Regular Meeting
- FEB 11*** TRAFFIC COMMISSION
6:00 p.m. - Second Wednesday of the Month
* Cancelled January Regular Meeting

Full Agenda Details Online:
<http://cityoflosalamitos.org/129/Agendas-Minutes>

The City Council and appointed Commissions meet regularly to discuss City businesses. Meetings are open to the public and your input is always welcome and appreciated. You can sign up to receive notifications every time a new agenda is posted on the City's website here: <http://cityoflosalamitos.org/List.aspx>

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