

PromiseUpdates – November 17, 2016

*A Bi-Monthly E-Newsletter to the Pomona's Promise Community
Distributed the first and third Thursday of every month.*

NEWS

Is your event missing from this newsletter?

You have to SUBMIT your *News, Events, Meetings, and Announcements* for them to be published!

Please format submissions EXACTLY as you see them here: **Title (bold)**, 2-3 sentences (ONLY!), and a Link and/or Contact info. Email submissions to pomonaspromiseceb@gmail.com Detailed instructions here: <http://www.cpp.edu/~cce/bronco-volunteer/PromiseUpdates%20Format%20Instructions.pdf>

City of Pomona needs your participation: Assessment of Fair Housing

The City of Pomona, as a recipient of federal community development and housing funds, is conducting an Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH). We want to hear about your experience with housing discrimination and difficulties finding housing. Your participation is important to help us understand the community's needs and identify potential solutions for reducing housing discrimination and create affordable opportunities. Join us at one of the following workshops to learn more and share your experiences. Please complete the brief survey below: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Pomona_AFH
For more information please contact Isabel Abundis at (909) 620-3772.

How do you think CDBG funding should be invested in Pomona's community and neighborhoods?

The City is in the process of developing the 2017-2018 Action Plan, which provides a 1-year roadmap for spending Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds on housing, human services, public infrastructure and community development activities for low/moderate-income persons. We need your input. <http://fluidsurveys.com/surveys/pomona/community-needs-survey-2017/>

Homeless Advisory Committee Draft Plan will be presenting to Pomona City Council on Nov. 21st

The draft plan, "A Way Home: Community Solutions for Pomona's Homeless," has four goals and a total of 30 strategies to address the situation. On Nov. 3rd, representatives of nonprofits and service providers got a sneak peek of the draft plan. A detailed version is expected to go to the Pomona City Council on Nov. 21. Read more about it here: <http://www.dailybulletin.com/social-affairs/20161105/pomona-this-is-your-citys-plan-to-solve-homelessness>

Pomona Winter Shelter Program scheduled to open December 1.

The 2016-2017 Pomona Winter Shelter Program will begin on December 1, 2016 and will run until March 1, 2017 at the Pomona Armory. 600 South Park Ave.

Pomona Police Department Participates in "No Shave November"

The men and women of the Pomona Police Department will be participating in No-Shave November, which is a fundraising effort focused on cancer treatment and awareness. Read More: https://local.nixle.com/alert/5767955/?sub_id=1638903

Forbes Names Cal Poly Pomona Among Nation's Best

Cal Poly Pomona is one of the nation's best public schools, and a top performer in California and the Western U.S., according to Forbes Magazine's 2016 America's Top Colleges rankings.

<http://polycentric.cpp.edu/2016/09/forbes-ranks-cal-poly-pomona-among-nations-best/>

A Way Home: Community Solutions for Pomona's Homeless has been posted on the City's website.

This document details the goals and strategies as recommended by the Homeless Advisory Committee and other stakeholders to address homelessness in Pomona. The document can be found under Government Departments, Homeless Resources and Information. For your convenience a link is provided here: http://www.ci.pomona.ca.us/mm/2016_Draft_Strategic_Plan_on_Homelessness.pdf

EVENTS

11/19: 3rd Saturday Park Cleanup at Tony Cerda Park

Saturday, 10am, 400 W. Grand Ave. Hosted by Day One Pomona. Light Refreshments provided. More info: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1147152852029277/>

11/17: Tri-City Mental Health Center's Bye Bye Butts Campaign

Thursday, November 17, 2016, 10:00am – 5:00pm. Tri-City Mental Health Services will be offering a resource a table to help community members to quit smoking, stay quit, or prevent from smoking. Come visit our centers for FREE material and information. For more info: call 909-242-7639 or visit our facebook page www.facebook.com/tricitymhs

11/19: Closing Reception for Aztlán 2016 To Pomona with Love Exhibition

Saturday, 4 pm. dA Center for the Arts. 252 S Main St. Chicano/a art at it's best. Featuring Slideshow of East Los Streetscapers Murals-Latino Crayon Buddies to Public Artists An East LA Story Honoring East Los Streetscapers David Botello & Wayne Healy at 4:30pm. More info: www.dacenter.org 909.397.9716 or daartcenter@gmail.com

11/20 Concert to benefit Kennedy Austin Foundation at the dA Center for the Arts.

Sunday, 5pm dA Center for the Arts. 252 Main Street. Art and music have a special way to bring understanding, awareness, hope, and change to individuals and to communities. Please join us for a concert by some amazing talents who believe in sharing their gift to be agents of change to make the world a better place for today & for future generations. Hear their voices rise to bring attention & support for victims of domestic abuse, homelessness & the good work of the **Kennedy Austin Foundation**

11/26: Small Business Saturday

Saturday, 7am to 9pm. November 26th 7am to 9pm. Shop All Day in [Downtown Pomona](#). From the [Pomona Antique Street Faire](#) to the [500BLOCKpomona](#) of Pomona Arts Colony (and everything in between). Come to downtown Pomona and help support your neighbors! Shopping small creates jobs and supports the local economy. Each time you purchase a product or a service downtown, you are helping to pay the salary of a friend or neighbor. Shopping SMALL makes a BIG difference! <https://www.facebook.com/shopdowntownpomona/>

12/4: Pomona Annual Historic Home Tour.

Sunday, 11am-5pm. 375 W. Alvarado. You get to see some cool Lincoln Park and Wilton Heights homes. For more info on the tour please go to: Pomona Heritage Facebook or website www.pomonaheritage.org

12/5: Free Dental Health Class

Monday, 4p-5:30pm. 1556 S. Sultana Ave., Ontario, CA 91761. Info about dental health for parents and kids. Free Goodie bags, Activities for kids. *Classes will be held once a month. Info and Register: 909-469-9018.

12/9-12/11 Journey to Bethlehem at Purpose Church

Friday, 12/9: 6-8pm. Saturday and Sunday, 12/10-12/11 5-7pm. 601 N. Garey Ave. Shalom! Journey to Bethlehem at Purpose Church for a free living history event that will give you a glimpse into what life may have been like over 2000 years ago. Make your way under the giant star to discover the new born King, baby Jesus. Entrance and parking are free. Food is available for purchase at our Bethlehem café.

12/10 Pomona City Scape: People, Places, and Things Art Show at the dA!

Saturday, 3 - 5 pm with a pre-Pomona Holiday parade Tamales & Champurrado party, and then the art show will continue through the evening! More info: www.dacenter.org , 909.397.9716 or daartcenter@gmail.com

12/10: Holiday in the Plaza and Pomona Christmas Parade

Saturday, 4pm-9pm. Holiday in the Plaza, Shaun Diamond Plaza. 6pm-8pm. Pomona Christmas Parade. Details for both events: <http://www.downtownpomona.org/christmas-parade/>

12/7: Practicing Mindfulness

Wednesday, 6-8pm. Paul's Episcopal Church 242 E. Alvarado Street, Pomona David Kitch, a practitioner of meditation, centering prayer and mindfulness, incorporates 1) contemplative Christian disciplines and practices; 2) a strong interest in the neurosciences; 3) ongoing work with the Vipassana tradition within engaged Buddhism. He will lead us in a seminar/workshop on mindfulness practice: what it is, how it integrates into the Christian faith tradition, and how it applies to daily life and spiritual formation. This talk is part of the Wednesday Wellness Series at St. Paul's. This series is free and open to the public! Your RSVP is requested (though not required): stpaulspomona@yahoo.com More info: <http://www.stpaulspomona.org/wellness-wednesdays>

12/14: Project Homeless Connect

Save the Date. Tri-City will host Project Homeless Connect on December 14. More Information coming soon!

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UPCOMING MEETINGS**11/21: City Council Meeting**

Monday, November 21, 6:45pm. Council Chambers. Every First* and Third Monday. At this meeting, recommendations from the Homeless Advisory Committee will be presented. "A Way Home: Community Solutions for Pomona's Homeless" (*The November 7th Meeting has been cancelled.)

11/21: Lincoln Avenue Neighborhood Watch

6:30pm. Lincoln Avenue Community Church/Iglesia Lincoln Avenue. Third Tuesday of every month.

Covers a broad area from Holt to the 10, Mills to Washington. Others are also welcome. Meet neighbors, make new friends, discuss concerns, and get police update on calls for service. Call Susan at 909.624.1281 for more information or email LACCPomona@msn.com.

12/1: Pomona Continuum of Care Coalition (Homeless Initiative)

Thursday, December 1, 8:30-10:30am. Ganesha Park Community Center.

12/8: Pomona's Promise Community Engagement Board

Thursday, December 8, 3:30-5:00pm. Ganesha Park Community Center. (Networking begins at 3pm)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Calling photographers and Poets! Submit to "Pomona City Scape: People, Places, & Things" at the dA.

The subject of the Photo & Poetry must exclusively about the City of Pomona. Photos taken, or Poems written must have been in the last 2 years. \$10 Entry Fee for each photo and each poem. (18 & under free) (limit 3 photos per person and 3 poems per person) Works do not have to be framed. Drop off Work: November 30th : 12-5pm, December 1st :12-8 pm, December 2nd 12-4pm, December 3rd 12-4pm.

Want to take your commitment to Pomona and Pomona's Promise to the next level?

There is a lot of work to do, and it takes all hands. If you want to take your commitment to Pomona's Promise to the next level (or if you want to join in at all!)—Contact Megan: mcmcdanel@cpp.edu or call 909-869-3129. Currently seeking: 1.) Pomona Beautification Day Leadership team members 2.) Chair, Crime Prevention and Community Safety Initiative 3.) Graphic Design/Marketing talent 4.) Wordpress experts 5.) Social Media Team 6.) Youth Engagement Team 7.) Anyone else who wants to serve!

Apply Now to participate in or volunteer for the Pomona Christmas Parade!

Downtown Pomona will be having their annual Christmas Parade Saturday, December 10th from 6pm - 8pm. This year's Grand Marshal will be Larry Wilmore. The City of Pomona will be hosting the Holiday at the Plaza the same day from 4pm-9pm. If you wish to be a participant in the parade please see the application on our website under events, Christmas Parade. If you go to our Facebook page (Downtown Pomona) you will find a flyer for Volunteers. Inviting everyone to come out and join in on the festivities. www.downtownpomona.org

Operation Warm Heart, Pomona Winter Shelter

A collaboration of agencies, groups, and organizations providing services and resources helpful to those experiencing homelessness. Now accepting applications for resource groups to contribute at the Pomona Armory. Slots available 7 days a week/ 8am-4pm. <http://www.pomonacocc.com/> More info: Stephen@umpomona.org

2016-2017 Pomona Winter Shelter Program Positions Available

Job applications are now being accepted for the 2016-17 Pomona Winter Shelter. Seeking: Case Managers, Attendance Staff, Security, and Monitors. Applications can be completed at the VOA Pomona Homeless Outreach office at: 2040 N. Garey Ave. (9am-4pm) More info: 909-593-4796.

Love Gives Pomona

Consider partnering with Love Gives Pomona this Thanksgiving. Seeking partners for food drives, clothing drives, marketing, hosting an activity, delivering food. Thanksgiving Day, November 24, School of Extended Educational Options, 1444 E. Holt Ave. Those interested in participating, contact Michael Colasuonno: (626)862-2859, michael2859@verizon.net or Tom Sweeney: (909)455-4531 or

tom.sweeney@pomona.k12.ca.us.

2017 Citizen's Police Academy

The Pomona Police Department is proud to announce that applications are now being accepted for the 2017 Citizen's Police Academy. The Citizen's Police Academy is a free nine week program that provides citizens with the opportunity to learn about the inner workings of the Pomona Police Department.

http://s3.amazonaws.com/nixle/uploads/pub_media/user41474-1477956877-media1

Save the Date: Pomona Homeless Count January 24, 2107

Every January the Los Angeles Homeless Service Authority embarks on a mission to count homeless neighbors across Los Angeles. Register to volunteer at www.theycountwillyou.org. More information will be distributed in December.

Operation Christmas Child at Purpose Church

Pack a shoebox to send to a child in a developing country. It may be the only gift they receive for Christmas. It is fun, easy, and a great family project. Pick up either a plastic shoebox at the dollar store, or pick up one (or more) of the shoeboxes in the lobby at Purpose Church, 586 N. Main St.

Pomona....Instructions are available online at operationchristmaschild.org. Collection Sundays are November 13 and 20 in the church lobby.

Learn How to Prevent Sexual Abuse of Children

Every Tuesday 6:30-7:30pm. 1403 N. Garey Ave. More info contact mario@yourvoicematters.la or visit: <https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=1385784271448842&set=o.565285363620368&type=3&theater>

Time Limited Grant Opportunities

Check out ieCAPACITERIA for a selection of foundation, federal, state and local grant opportunities that may be relevant to Inland Empire nonprofits. New list of recently released, or those that have upcoming deadlines. To the right is a report containing ongoing opportunities compiled for Inland Empire nonprofits <http://www.iecapaciteria.org/funding-opportunities>

Be a Mentor and Change a Life-SGVCC

San Gabriel Valley Conservation Corps (SGVCC) is looking for people to mentor adolescents 16-17 that reside in the San Gabriel Valley. More info: Daniel Prescott, 818-939-6283, dprescott@sgvcorps.org, or visit www.sgvcorps.org

Download the Pomona Police Mobile App

Free from Apple Store or Google Play. If you have any questions about this or any other community program offered by the Pomona Police Department contact the Crime Prevention Unit at 909-620-2318. More info: <https://local.nixle.com/alert/5509893/>

How to Participate in PromiseUpdates

PromiseUpdates is a bi-monthly informational email from the Pomona's Promise Community Engagement Board to participating members, local stakeholders, and the residents of Pomona. This publication will be sent out every First and Third Thursday. Members are invited to post announcements about what is going on with their organization. Send a message to pomonaspromiseceb@gmail.com by 2 p.m. Tuesday the week of publication to be considered for the upcoming issue. Include a brief description (two sentences) of the event or announcement with a link to a website with detailed

information. Please note that because PromiseUpdates does not include attachments, submissions should include links. **NEXT SUBMISSION DUE DATE: November 29**