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Glendale Crime Rate Drops in 2010!

The City of Glendale experienced an 8% overall decrease in violent crimes last year, including a 100% reduction in homicides which declined from three to zero, and an 11% drop in aggravated assault. Additional part one crimes, such as auto theft declined as well, dropping by 19%. Glendale also saw an 11% decrease in part two crimes, which are crimes classified by the F.B.I. as non-serious felonies and misdemeanors, such as drunk driving, vandalism and drug possession.

Chief of Police Ron De Pompa credits a dedicated City Council, a community working in partnership with the Department and a committed police force with the decline in Glendale's 2010 crime rate. Innovative crime prevention programs, consolidation of resources both on the state and federal levels in the form of task forces, and finally <u>Area Command</u>, have all had an impact on the City's decline in crime.

"Keeping our residents safe is a top priority for the City," said Mayor Ara Najarian. "We have directed a tremendous number of resources and efforts into our police force and it is good to see a decline in the crime rate in Glendale as a result."

Information leading to the arrest of suspects involved in crimes can be forwarded to Glendale Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

Residents Help Chart the Future of Library Services

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The Glendale Library system is inviting the community to participate in a

comprehensive planning process to improve our City's library system. Currently, Glendale's libraries offer a wealth of services including wireless Internet access, downloadable e-books, audio books and music, digital newspapers and language-learning databases. Library patrons can also easily search the library's collection, request books and view account information remotely online.

In an effort to continue to provide cutting-edge services, the community is being asked to weigh in on what new or different services they would like to see as part of a new library plan for the future. This input will be included in a new strategic plan aimed at improving

Glendale's library services and delivery. To provide your input, contact <u>Chuck Wike</u>, Library Community Relations Manager, at or (818) 548-2042.

City Saves Money to Benefit Residents

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Through prudent fiscal management and a costconscious approach to expenditures, the City of

Glendale not only continues to provide excellent public service, but also strives to identify and adopt cost-saving measures to benefit the residents of Glendale.

As part of the City of Glendale's on-going cost-cutting measures, the City recently replaced its standing pricing model for land-line telephone service with a State Contract for the same service, and is saving tax payers hundreds of thousands of dollars annually. By adopting this new contract, Glendale is saving local taxpayers over \$320,000 annually on phone service, a reduction of nearly 50% from prior years. This savings will accrue to the City each and every year into the foreseeable future, saving the City roughly \$1,000,000 in just the next three years.

The City will continue to research new and innovative methods to reduce costs in order to provide our residents with the best possible City programs and services.

Up And Coming Special Events From Your City

Find out what's happening in our community. Every month, we will let you know about Citysponsored events of interest to you and your family. If you are signed up for City Connection, then you are plugged into what's going on in Glendale! Don't miss even one great event! Not signed up? <u>Register now</u> to receive monthly e-newsletter from the City of Glendale.

Join us for a very special **Cesar Chavez annual Commemorative event** on Saturday, March 26 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Pacific Community Center, 501 S. Pacific. The event is free and open to the public. Guests will enjoy entertainment, a special guest speaker and free Chicken and Carne Asada. For more information, contact Zizette Mullins at 818 548-4844.

During the month of April, the City of Glendale will sponsor its 10th Annual Commemorative Events which remember and honor the victims of the Armenian Genocide and other atrocities mankind has suffered throughout history. This year's Annual Commemorative Events, cosponsored by various community groups and organizations, will feature the following:

The City is sponsoring a documentary: **"Barking Island" as part of the Man's Inhumanity to Man event** on Monday, April 18 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Police Community Room, located at 131 North Isabel. The event is free and open to the public. Attendees will be treated to guest speakers and musical entertainment. For more information, contact Zizette Mullins at 818 548-4844.

Join us as for the *Armenian Genocide Commemorative event* on Monday April 25th from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at the Alex Theatre, located at 216 North Brand Boulevard. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Zizette Mullins 818 548-4844.

As always, we want to hear your thoughts and ideas, so please let us know via <u>the City's</u> <u>website</u>. You may also telephone Vicki Gardner at: (818) 548-4844 for suggestions and/or questions.

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