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**MESSAGE FROM
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Glendale City Manager

Have you ever noticed how the challenges we face are oftentimes opportunities in disguise? Although they are often difficult to see, most challenges present opportunities for growth and great moments for learning. Despite the fact that the economy is improving and economic indicators are generally trending positive, the City of Glendale still faces many serious challenges in the coming year - challenges that will test both our organization, as well as, the residents and businesses of our community. That is, in this epilogue to the Great Recession, in which growth has been plodding though sustained, we must answer hard questions that will directly impact the types and quality of services we provide.

Legal and electoral challenges abound. Beginning in January, the City will commence its second lawsuit against the State Department of Finance (DOF) to try and enforce upon them the terms they offered to compliant cities in the wake of redevelopment dissolution. In essence, the State hacked away

El Niño Ready



In an effort to continuously keep our communities informed and prepared for upcoming El Niño events, the City of Glendale has announced the dates for three upcoming community meetings. Mark your calendars accordingly! All will begin promptly at 6 pm.

Monday, January 11: John Muir Elementary School Auditorium, 912 South Chevy Chase

Thursday, January 14: Glendale Community College Southern Campus, 1122 South Garfield

Thursday, January 21: Center for Spiritual Living, 4845 Dunsmore Avenue

If you're unable to attend a meeting, [this video](#) will provide you with all the necessary information. Visit EINinoReady.ORG for additional El Niño preparation information.

**Glendale's Accomplishments in
Review**

redevelopment funding in a single blow in 2011, only to later realize that, in their haste, they had a tiger by the tail. Subsequently, the DOF, the agency generally responsible for the unwinding of redevelopment (yet staffed with folks who never worked with or for a redevelopment agency), brought forth cleanup legislation that they hoped would stave off the burgeoning slate of lawsuits being brought by cities. This legislation held that former agencies that wound-up their affairs quickly and received a "finding of completion" from DOF would have long-standing loans reinstated from the former redevelopment agency to the parent city. In Glendale's case, this incentive amounted to about \$45 million - and we complied posthaste. Unfortunately, however, this incentive was really just a bait-and-switch, because the DOF - after granting Glendale the "finding of completion" and even making an initial payment on the newly reinstated loans - decided to change the rules. DOF believed that they could unilaterally reinterpret the intent of the clean-up language by reimagining what the interest rate would be for these loans, and they even have endeavored to reimagine the definition of a loan in the first place.

The City of Glendale successfully sued the DOF on the issue of the interest rate last year, and now we are about to embark on the second lawsuit regarding the definition of a loan. Based on the attitude of the judge in the first case (who will also hear the second case), I like our chances...it just seems a darn waste of money to try to compel a government agency to do the right thing, let alone the statutorily-mandated thing.

On the heels of this DOF lawsuit, a second lawsuit brought by a pair of private parties will go to trial in spring/summer 2016. The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW), Local 18, and a group calling itself the Glendale Coalition for Better Government, have brought lawsuits taking issue with the longstanding, voter-



As everyone welcomes the New Year, it is important to celebrate the successes of the old. The Glendale Community should take great pride in the accomplishments of 2015. Take a look back and celebrate Glendale's accomplishments:

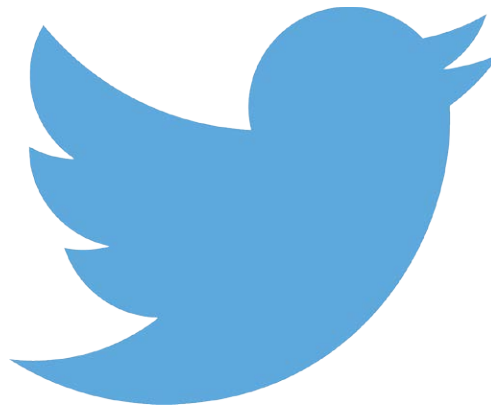
1. Glendale's Mission Statement Awarded by Graphic Design USA (To learn more, click [here](#))
2. Glendale's Popular Annual Financial Report Received Outstanding Achievement Award (To view Glendale's previously published PAFR reports, please click [here](#))
3. Glendale's GTV6 Wins Two Telly Awards (To learn more about City of Glendale's government access channel, GTV6, visit their website [here](#))
4. Glendale's Website Recognized by Graphic Design USA (To Learn more, click [here](#))
5. Glendale's Pedestrian Safety Video Recognized by Communicator Awards (Watch the video [here](#))
6. Glendale's Information Services Department Wins Xplor Award (To learn more about the awards and Xploration, click [here](#))
7. Glendale's Economic Development Corporation Recognized for Class A Office Attraction Program (To learn more about the Glendale Economic Development Corporation, click [here](#))
8. Glendale's Popular Annual Financial Report Receives Excellence Award (To view Glendale's previously published PAFR reports, please click [here](#))
9. City of Glendale and Glendale Police Department Received Awards of Excellence by the American Society for Public Administration (To view award details, please click [here](#) for the City and [here](#) for the Police Department)
10. Glendale Finance Department Received the Operating Budget Excellence Award from the California Society of Municipal Finance Officers for its FY 2014-2015 budget (Click [here](#) to view the budget)

Ways to Connect with Glendale

The City of Glendale recognizes the importance of connecting with residents, businesses, and visitors through a variety of platforms. The City of Glendale offers interested parties many ways to stay informed about our City. The City utilizes the local access channel [GTV6](#), various [social media](#) platforms, [press releases](#), [emergency notifications](#), [newsletters](#) and much more. For the next few months, we will spotlight one specific way in which the City of Glendale connects with the community. This month, stay connected with your community by following us on Twitter!

approved General Fund Transfer (GFT) paid from Glendale Water and Power's electrical operation to the City's General Fund. The transfer - currently about \$20 million per year - has been a feature of the City's revenue stream since the 1940s. Basically, our municipal forbearers established the water and power utility as a means of helping the City grow, as well as to bring revenue into the City's General Fund, while keeping taxes low. This inflow of funding helped City Councils through the years keep Glendale a low tax city (for example, only 13.7 cents on the property tax dollar comes to the City of Glendale; there is no business license tax, etc.). And, although the City Charter allows for a maximum transfer of up to 25% of gross operating revenues, the GFT has never risen to that level; indeed, the current transfer is about 11% with the City Council's stated plan to reduce it further and lock it in at 10% of operating revenues.

In 2010, the City discontinued the transfer of water revenue out of concern of compliance with Proposition 218. Now, the petitioners are challenging the transfer of electric revenues under a relatively new voter-approved initiative commonly known as Proposition 26. Unlike Proposition 218, Proposition 26 is not retroactive and thus, in the view of the City's legal team, not applicable to the electric transfer. Yet, these petitioners challenge the electric revenue transfer anyway. The lawsuits also challenge the City's method of making the transfer in compliance with the rather arcane language of the City's Charter. The City must maintain compliance with the Charter as well as Generally Accepted Accounting Principles in order to comply with the Charter-mandated annual independent audit. In this vein, these lawsuits seek only to answer the question, "How many angels can dance on the head of a pin?" But this exercise can have real world impacts to the residents of Glendale - if the City were to lose these lawsuits, then \$20 million annually - or roughly 12% of the current General



Follow the City of Glendale at [@MyGlendale](https://twitter.com/MyGlendale) and stay informed. We utilize Twitter to push a variety of information, such as holiday hours, community based activities, departmental information, breaking news, emergency notifications, and to share valuable information on services.

My Glendale City News



We pride ourselves in leveraging all available platforms in the name of properly informing and educating our residents, and so creating a dedicated online publication was a logical step in our ongoing communication/transparency efforts. The City of Glendale has launched MyGlendaleCityNews.ORG to allow residents and community members to get information directly from the source.

The City of Glendale has created a site that reflects everything Glendale has to offer, whether it's from an entertainment, cultural, business, or local government perspective. You will find articles highlighting everything from the benefits of a full service city to upcoming events, to recent achievements by Glendale businesses; the goal is to create content that encapsulates our City.

GTV6, our government access television station, is constantly releasing videos, and several will be featured prominently on the homepage at all times. Posts might also include videos, image slideshows, PowerPoint presentations, and links to city-related agencies, departments, and services. The website will also serve as an additional conduit to disseminate vital information in times of crisis/ emergency.

Ultimately, we want community members to gain more knowledge about all the City of Glendale has to offer and feel engaged while doing so. Our goal is to increase awareness and reinforce our emphasis on transparency.

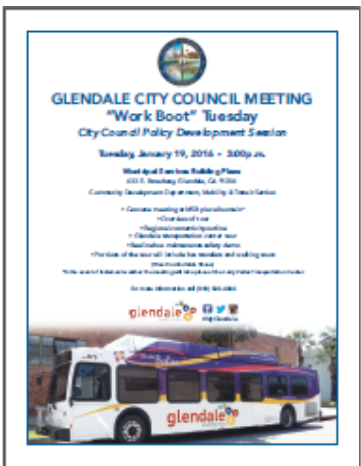
City Council Meetings, On the Go

Fund budget for operations like police, fire/EMS, parks and libraries - would be lost immediately.

June 2016 will also see the third major challenge, in the form of a referendum on the City's Utility Users Tax (UUT). A UUT is a tax on utility services (water, gas, electric, telecommunications) that typically supports a municipality's General Fund. Glendale's longstanding UUT has been in place since the 1960s and was ratified by 66% of Glendale voters as recently as 2009. The full UUT is about \$28 million per year, and at 15% of the General Fund, it is the 3rd largest revenue source for police, fire/EMS, parks and library services. Earlier this year, a Pasadena-based Tea Party group called "TeaPac" worked with two Glendale residents to secure the signatures of 1,545 residents to place a measure on the ballot to repeal a significant portion of the UUT. The measure would repeal the UUT on water, gas and electric service. This represents about \$17 million dollars, or nearly 10% of the General Fund budget. The City will be putting together a comprehensive education (though not advocacy) effort in the coming months, more specifically identifying the potential service cuts that could result from the UUT reduction measure.

Each of these issues represents foundational challenges to the City of Glendale and the services we provide. At the conclusion of the Great Recession, when all but the most essential services have been cut, such losses of revenue will dramatically impact the scope and level of services to residents and businesses. For example, losses of the GFT or the UUT will likely mean both the contracting-out of most City services (e.g., converting to LA County Sheriffs and Fire, County Libraries and Parks, etc.), as well as the reduction in services (because the County is not going to offer these services for free, and the County's cost structure is not too dissimilar from our own).

And here is where challenge and opportunity converge, with the need for the City to remain in an education-focused (versus advocacy-focused) posture: as your municipal government, these legal and political challenges provide the opportunity for City teams to demonstrate our value



In an effort to provide more outreach to the community, as well as edify the City Council about significant public service and infrastructure efforts underway, "Work Boot Tuesday" will occur once a month, in lieu of the City Council's customary afternoon session. On Tuesday, January 19 at 3:00 pm, join the Glendale City Council for a "Work Boot" meeting at the Municipal Services Building Plaza. The meeting will convene at the MSB plaza fountain, and visitors will receive an overview of the tour, a regional connectivity outline, a tour of the Glendale Transportation Center, a

Beeline Bus maintenance safety demo and more. Portions of the tour will include bus transfers and walking tours. *Wear comfortable shoes.

In the event of inclement weather, the meeting will take place at the Larry Zarian Transportation Center. Learn more [here](#).

New Networks in the New Year



Many people celebrate the New Year with new commitments. They commit to eat better, exercise more, or stress less - all great ways to improve themselves. Another commitment to consider this New Year is the commitment to your professional development. Glendale is home to an ever growing number of businesses and has so many opportunities to help you grow your company or network. The Glendale Economic Development Division encourages you to participate in one of your local professional organizations:

- [Glendale Chamber of Commerce](#)
- [Montrose Verdugo Chamber of Commerce](#)
- [Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce](#)
- [Armenian American Chamber of Commerce](#)
- [Glendale Young Professionals](#)
- [Glendale Latino Association](#)
- [Glendale Bar Association](#)
- [Glendale Realtors Association](#)
- [Armenian Bar Association](#)
- [Downtown Glendale Association](#)
- [Montrose Shopping Park Association](#)

The [Verdugo Jobs Center](#) also offers a wide variety of professional development assistance for individuals and companies. For more information on doing business in Glendale, please visit the [Glendale Economic Development website](#). We wish you a prosperous 2016!

proposition in real terms, and with relatively immediate consequences. Though I firmly believe that the City of Glendale is pound-for-pound one of the premiere municipal organizations in the State, if we were to lose the UUT and/or GFT (and did not replace it with another voter-approved revenue source) then the residents of Glendale would be expressing their dissatisfaction and displeasure with our services and service delivery. Fair enough; we accept the challenge and opportunity to prove our value to you. And, at the same time, please rest assured that during this coming year of challenges, our personnel will go about their duties delivering exceptional customer service, while at the same time keeping an eye on the horizon for the new "big ideas", executing complex and needed infrastructure improvements, and energetically pursuing service delivery enhancements.

Here is to a 2016 full of challenge and opportunity.

CALENDAR

January 7 - Upcycled Craft Contest Winners Announced
Tune into the Public Works [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) pages to find out who the winners of each category are. Learn more [here](#).

January 8 - Teen Yarnival Fun Friday, 4:00 pm
Central Library
222 East Harvard Street
Learn the basics of knitting and create yarn art. Learn more [here](#).

January 9 - To the Experimental Forest & Beyond!, 9 am - 12 pm
La Tuna/Hostetter Fire Road Intersection, Crescenta Valley
Join the Trails and Open Space Foundation on their first program of the year! Plant new trees and water the trees planted in the past few years. This event is free, but space is limited. RSVP is required. Learn more [here](#).

January 9 - Book to Art Club, 10:30 am - 12:00 pm
Brand Library & Art Center
1601 West Mountain Street
This program combines a book discussion and an art project based on themes from the book *The Language of Flowers*. Materials will be provided.

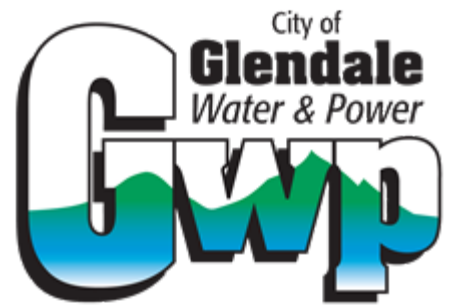
New Mobile Platform



The City of Glendale's website has been officially optimized for the mobile viewing experience. This intuitive user interface allows residents to access City information and services from their handheld devices. The design layout features colorful icons representing various city-related pages, including City Council, Emergency Notifications, News, Calendar, and more.

You can now stay connected with Glendale wherever you are. To access the website, input GlendaleCA.gov into your mobile web browser.

The Many Benefits of GWP's Mobile App



Your Trusted Community Utility

If you want an easier way to view your electric and water usage in near real time, pay your bills, or contact GWP, download the free mobile app called "GWP Mobile My Connect." With the app, you can also set budget goals, see and drill down your usage by month, day or hour, submit service requests, report outages, and view electric

Learn more [here](#).

January 9 - Oceanview Boulevard Rehabilitation Community Meeting, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

*Sparr Heights Senior Center
1613 Glencoe Way*

Learn about the upcoming project. The Public Works Engineering Division will listen to your concerns and answer any of your questions. Learn more [here](#).

January 9 - Barks & Books, 2:00 pm

*Central Library
222 East Harvard Street*
Children can read to a dog (and their human volunteers) at many Library, Arts & Culture locations through a unique partnership with the Pasadena Humane Society. Learn more [here](#).

January 12 - Booked Solid: Book Club for Adults, 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

*Casa Verdugo Library
1151 North Brand Boulevard*
This month, the Club will read and discuss *Empty Mansions: The Mysterious Life of Huguette Clark*. Learn more [here](#).

January 13 - Barks & Books, 3:00 pm

*Pacific Park Library
501 South Pacific Avenue*
Children can read to a dog (and their human volunteers) at many Library, Arts & Culture locations through a unique partnership with the Pasadena Humane Society. Learn more [here](#).

January 13 - Teen Advisory Group, 4:00 pm

*Central Library
222 East Harvard Street*
The Teen Advisory Group is a chance to lend your voice to the services Glendale Public Library's provide for teens. In the past few years, the TAG has selected teen books for the library, created displays, planned programs, created public art projects, and much more. Attendance counts for two hours of volunteer credit. Learn more [here](#).

January 13 - Parenting Workshop: Cyber Bullying, 6:00 pm
Library Connection @ Adams Square

1100 East Chevy Chase Drive
Learn and understand different types of bullying and explore the first steps in forming a plan to respond to bullying with your child. Presented by Dr. Ilin Magran, GUSD. Learn more [here](#).

January 13 - Adapting to

vehicle or solar panel information. Enter GWP in your phone's app store search box and look for the icon below to download GWP's mobile app. For assistance on registering or for more information, contact Customer Service at (818) 548-3300.

Click [here](#) to watch a short video on how GWP - Mobile My Connect works or click [here](#) to learn more.

Volunteers Needed

The screenshot shows the City of Glendale website with a navigation menu (GOVERNMENT, RESIDENTS, VISITORS, BUSINESSES, HOW DO I?) and a search bar. The main content area displays a 'Volunteer Interest Form' with the following fields and options:

- 1. First Name *
- 2. Last Name *
- 3. How would you like to be contacted?
 - Phone
 - Email
- 4. Please enter the information for your preferred contact method *
- 5. Please select the reason why you would like to volunteer
 - I need to fulfill community service hours for school
 - I am court ordered to complete hours.

The City of Glendale will be conducting the 2016 Homeless Count on **January 27**. Volunteers are needed to support with street outreach efforts when conducting the count.

Why count? Collecting reliable data on the number, characteristics, and service needs of individuals, families, and unaccompanied children experiencing homelessness is a critical component of local homeless planning. Accurate, timely data on our homeless population and where they live is a critical tool to help secure and direct resources where they are most needed. Learn more [here](#).

Successful Thanksgiving Food Drive and "Drive to Touch Lives" Campaign



This holiday season, the Community Services and Parks Department's (CSP) Senior Services Program completed its annual Thanksgiving Food Drive for needy homebound seniors, collecting over 120 bags decorated and filled with donated food by staff from various City of Glendale Departments. For the first time, CSP also conducted the "Drive to Touch Lives" Campaign, offering city staff a ride along with our Meal Driver to deliver the food staples and see the immediate impact it makes to the lives of the aging population in our community.

To view more pictures from this successful campaign, click [here](#). Learn more about the City of Glendale senior programs and services [here](#).

Alzheimer's, 6:00 pm
Casa Verdugo Library
 1151 North Brand Boulevard
 Author Sherry Lynn Harris discusses coping and support strategies for caregivers. Learn more [here](#).

January 14 - My Life Plan, 6:00 pm
Pacific Park Library
 501 South Pacific Avenue
 The Skills for Teen Parents program series is open to pregnant or parenting young adults between the ages of 13 - 21. All programs will feature storytime for children during the workshops. Learn more [here](#).

January 14 - Not Your Mother's Knitting, 7:00 pm
Brand Library & Art Center
 1601 West Mountain Street
 Julie Kornblum will present a talk about the yarn bombing phenomenon and will showcase some of Yarn Bombing Los Angeles' projects. Learn more [here](#).

January 15 - Library Tech Demo: MANGO Languages, 11:00 am
Library Connection @ Adams Square
 1100 East Chevy Chase Drive
 Drop in for a hands-on demonstration of our language learning software, MANGO, and set up your own account. Learn more [here](#).

January 15 - Teen Night Out, 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm
Pacific Community Center
 501 South Pacific Avenue
 Teens ages 14 and older can come hang out at the facility and participate in some activities while being supervised by staff. Snacks and refreshments will be served. Learn more [here](#).

January 16 - Riverwalk Workday, 8 am - 12 pm
Deukmejian Wilderness Park
 3429 Markridge Road

Investing in Our Future Workforce



The Glendale Youth Alliance has trained and qualified youth workers available to perform various tasks. All work teams are fully insured, supervised and have their own tools and transportation. Services available through the Glendale Youth Alliance include hillside clearance, yard maintenance, landscaping, brush abatement & clearance, property clean up and general labor tasks, and mudslide preventative work. Learn more [here](#).

Glendale On The Move

Join the Trails and Open Space Foundation on the Glendale Narrows Riverwalk for a morning of work in the landscaped areas along the trail. No need to RSVP. Learn more [here](#).

January 17 - Reiki Energy & Tea, 11 am - 1 pm
Shoseian Whispering Pine Teahouse
1601 West Mountain Street
Author and Reiki Master, Nicola Salter, will introduce a Japanese method of developing internal energy known as "Reiki", along with learning about the herbal benefits of various tea from around the world.
For more information or to RSVP, please e-mail friends@shoseianteahouse.com

January 19 - Work Boot Meeting, 3:00 pm
Municipal Services Building Plaza
633 East Broadway
Receive an overview of the City of Glendale Mobility and Transit regional connectivity outline, a Glendale Transportation Center tour, Beeline Bus maintenance safety and more!
Learn more [here](#).

January 19 - Barks & Books, 3:00 pm
Montrose Library
2465 Honolulu Avenue
Children can read to a dog (and their human volunteers) at many Library, Arts & Culture locations through a unique partnership with the Pasadena Humane Society.
Learn more [here](#).

January 19 - Armenian Parent Support Group, 6:30 pm
Library Connection @ Adams Square
1100 East Chevy Chase Drive
Sponsored by Lanterman Regional Center.
Learn more [here](#).

January 20 - Barks & Books, 3:00 pm
Library Connection @ Adams Square
1100 East Chevy Chase Drive
Children can read to a dog (and their human volunteers) at many Library, Arts & Culture locations through a unique partnership with the Pasadena Humane Society.
Learn more [here](#).

January 20 - We Be Book'N Teen Book Club, 4:00 pm
Central Library
222 East Harvard Street
Read *Paper Towns* by John Green and join us for an hour of discussion. Light refreshments will be provided.



GTV6's newest episode of *On The Move* is now available! In this episode, we will check out some of our favorite *On the Move* segments to kick off 2016! Be sure to tune in to Charter channel 6 or check the City's [YouTube](#) channel for new episodes.

Watch each segment here:



Adams Hill Neighborhood Association Sponsors a Community Holiday Art Installation at Adams Square Mini-Park

In case you missed it last month, there's still time to view the holiday art installation, sponsored by the Adams Hill Neighborhood Association, in the historic gas station at Adams Square Mini-Park, located at 1020 E. Palmer Ave. The installation, entitled *Our Starry Night*, available for viewing through January 9th, is an artistic rendering of the hilly Adams Hill neighborhood made entirely of cardboard and paint. The installation was designed and realized in its final form by Adams Hill residents Cathy Hrenda and Stephen Meek.

Learn more [here](#).

January 21 - Visual Acoustics with Special Guest Chris Nichols, 7:00 pm

*Brand Library Recital Hall
1601 West Mountain Street*

This documentary film celebrates the life and career of Julius Shulman. Los Angeles Magazine's Chris Nichols presides over a post-screening discussion.

Learn more [here](#).

January 21 - Book Presentation, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

*Adult Recreation Center
201 East Colorado Street*

Renowned Canadian-Armenian photographer Hrair Hawk Khatcherian's book 100 (1915-2015) is dedicated to the memory of his grandparents, and the memory of the victims of the Armenian Genocide. It includes more than 1,000 photographs of cultural monuments, churches, monasteries, fortresses--a visual record of the rich Armenian cultural heritage that has survived and flourished.

Learn more [here](#).

January 23 - February 7, Bookmark Contest

Create a bookmark for the annual Summer Reading Program, "Red for the Win!" Entries have a chance to be used as official Library bookmarks. For ages 1 - 18. Learn more [here](#).

January 23 - Oak-ie Dokie Wilderness Workday, 8 am - 12 pm

*Deukmejian Wilderness Park
3429 Markridge Road*

Join the Trails and Open Space Foundation and spend time taking care of the new Coast Live Oak trees planted in November, removing invasive weeds, watering existing trees, and planting a few more oaks trees in the park. There is something for all ages and abilities.

Learn more [here](#).

January 23 - Opera Talk: The Magic Flute, 2:00 pm

*Brand Library Recital Hall
1601 West Mountain Street*

Enjoy a discussion and multimedia presentation of Mozart's beloved opera from the LA Opera Speakers Bureau. Learn more [here](#).

January 25 - Montrose Library Adult Book Club, 6:15 pm

*Montrose Library
2465 Honolulu Avenue*

This month the Club will read and discuss *Infatuation* by Javier Marias.

The cardboard houses were all painted by community members, ranging from toddlers to senior citizens. Approximately 50 people participated in painting 36 cardboard houses built by Hrenda. The night sky over Adams Hill is depicted by 660 paper stars decorated with glitter by students at John Muir Elementary School.

The gas station was most recently utilized for three city-sponsored art installations and it has been nominated to the Glendale Register of Historic Resources. A fourth city-sponsored art installation by YaYa Chou, entitled *Beluga's Journey*, is scheduled for **February 1 through March 19, 2016**. The [Adams Square Mini Park Gas Station](#) art installations are supported by the City of Glendale and Glendale Arts & Culture Commission, with funding from the Urban Art Program.

Job Seeker Services and Business Resources Available at the Verdugo Jobs Center



Are you looking for work? The Verdugo Jobs Center (VJC) provides job placement assistance, career counseling, information about new in-demand jobs, and short-term training programs. RSVP to attend a VJC information session by calling (818) 937-8011.

Are you a hiring manager or business owner? The VJC also offers free access to large facilities for onsite recruitments and interviews, as well as assigned VJC recruitment assistants; customized pre-employment orientations to meet your needs; and targeted candidate searches and pre-screening services. Learn more [here](#).

The Verdugo Jobs Center is operated by the Workforce Development Section of the Community Services and Parks Department. Click [here](#) to visit the Verdugo Jobs Center website.

Tree Recycling



Holiday trees can be easily recycled curbside **through January 16**. Please remove all ornaments, stands, lights, and tinsel before placing your tree at the curb or in the alley for pick-up on your refuse-collection day. If you are uncertain about your service day, call the City of Glendale's Integrated Waste Management Division at (818) 548-3916 or visit [GlendaleRecycle.com](#).

Learn more [here](#).

January 27 - Teen Advisory Group, 4:00 pm
Central Library
 222 East Harvard Street

The Teen Advisory Group is a chance to lend your voice to the services Glendale Public Library's provide for teens. In the past few years, the TAG has selected teen books for the library, created displays, planned programs, created public art projects, and much more. Attendance counts for two hours of volunteer credit. Learn more [here](#).

January 27 - How To Get a Worker's Permit, 6:30 pm
Library Connection @ Adams Square
 1100 East Chevy Chase Drive

Learn about the two orders that provide assistance to immigrants, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and Deferred Action for Parents of American citizens and residents (DAPA). Learn about the qualifications to apply for your permit, deferred action and what the government requests when submitting the application. Learn more [here](#).

January 28 - Read Together. Early Literacy Tips, 6 pm
Pacific Park Library
 501 South Pacific Avenue

The Skills for Teen Parents program series is open to pregnant or parenting young adults between the ages of 13 - 21. All programs will feature storytime for children during the workshops. Learn more [here](#).

January 29 - Parent's Night Out, 6 pm - 12 am
Sparr Heights Community Center
 1613 Glencoe Way

The Community Services and Parks Department is hosting Parent's Night Out. Children ages 5-12 enjoy pizza, fun, friends, and a movie. Learn more [here](#).

January 30 - One Glendale Afterschool Youth Program Basketball Championship Day, 1 pm
Pacific Community Center
 501 South Pacific Avenue

The program is designed to provide afterschool sports programming to youth in four South Glendale Schools in the 4th and 5th grades. A ribbon, medal, and trophy ceremony will take place at the end of each game.

January 30 - Hands On Workshop with David Orozco, 10:30 am

First Annual Upcycled Holiday Craft Contest Winners

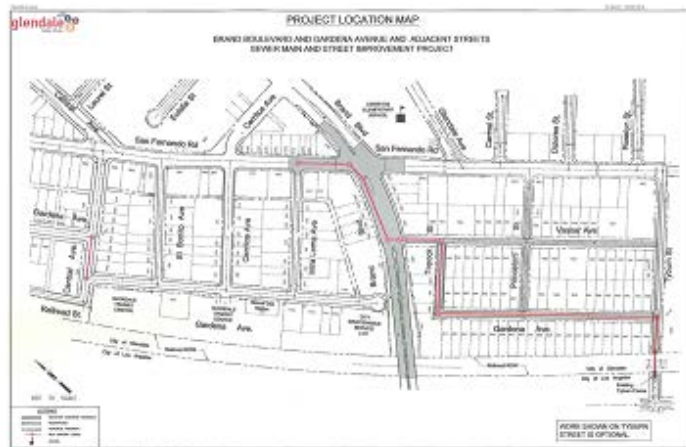
The City of Glendale Public Works Department Presents:



The Public Works Department thanks all the contestants for their participation and their creativity! Winners of each category will be announced on **January 7 at 9:00 am** on Facebook and Twitter. If you have been chosen as a winner, please call (818) 937-8285 to claim your prize!

If you missed this contest, there will be another one coming soon. Follow Public Works on [Twitter](#) or [Facebook](#) to find out when the next one will be!

Brand Boulevard and Gardena Avenue and Adjacent Sewer Main and Street Improvement Project



Construction for this project is expected to begin on January 19 and continue through April 2016. The first phase of construction involves upsizing the sewer mains on San Fernando Road, Central Avenue, and Gardena Avenue to increase the capacity. Once the sewer work is complete, the street resurfacing can begin on the streets affected by the sewer work and other streets that have deteriorated over the years. By doing so, it will not only repair the roadways but also improve car rides.

For live updates concerning this project and any other projects that may affect you, follow Public Works on [Twitter](#) or [Facebook](#). For additional information about the project, click [here](#).

Scholl Canyon Landfill Repair

*Brand Library & Art Center
1601 West Mountain Street*
Fiber artist Orozco will introduce hyperbolic crochet that applies mathematical principles to crochet patterns to create wonderful organic shapes. And you don't have to do any arithmetic! Beginners welcome. Materials provided. Learn more [here](#).

January 30 - Brand Associates Music Series, 2:00 pm
*Brand Library Recital Hall
1601 West Mountain Street*
Pianist Harout Senekeremian in recital.
Learn more [here](#).

Holiday Hours:

January 16-18, Martin Luther King Jr. Day Holiday Weekend
Library Closed.

January 18, Martin Luther King Jr. Day
All City Offices Closed.

Check the City's calendar for changes in date, time, or location [here](#).



The City has contracted with Los Angeles Engineering to perform minor regrading of the landfill slope benches, construct additional drainage structures and to replace the deteriorated existing irrigation system to maintain compliance with regulations, maintain positive drainage patterns, and proper levels of vegetation. Work at the site began the second week of December 2015 and is expected to continue through March 2016. For more information, please visit schollcanyonlandfill.org.

Oceanview Boulevard Rehabilitation Project

The Oceanview Boulevard Rehabilitation Project will rehabilitate selected areas to help maintain Glendale's infrastructure. Although the exact project location is yet to be determined, its anticipated schedule is from May 2016 to September 2016. There will be repairs to deteriorated pavement, sidewalks, curb and gutters, along with the modification of traffic signals and curb ramps to comply with current ADA standards. Additional bike lanes and traffic calming measures will also be installed such as bump outs and pavement markings.

The Public Works Department invites you to come to the community meeting for this project on **January 9, from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm** at the Sparr Heights Senior Center located at 1613 Glencoe Way. The details of the project will be explained along with why the project is needed and to describe the potential impacts to residents and businesses. We will gladly answer any questions you may have or listen to any of your concerns.

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