



Newsletter

DECEMBER 2024

TIPS TO SAFEGUARD YOUR HOME FROM BURGLARY

As the holidays approach, Hidden Hills residents are encouraged to take proactive steps to protect their homes and belongings from burglary. Consider these tips suggested by the Sheriff's Department:

- **Call 911** if you see anything suspicious, such as unfamiliar vehicles or individuals slowly moving through the neighborhood. #SeeSomethingSaySomething
- Use pets, such as dogs, to deter intruders.
- Lock all doors and windows, including those on the second story.
- Install and activate your alarm whenever you leave. Consider adding "glass break" sensors, especially for second-story windows.
- Set up security cameras and video recording devices. Modern systems are increasingly affordable, user-friendly, and effective.
- Use automatic timers to turn lights on and off in different rooms at varying times.
- When away, leave lights or a television on to make it appear someone is home.
- Ask a trusted neighbor to keep an eye on your property if you're gone.
- Contact the Lost Hills Sheriff's Department to request a vacation check if you'll be away for an extended time. Deputies will stop by your house periodically while you're gone.



Both the Sheriff's Department and Hidden Hills Security are available 24/7 to support the community.

Key Contacts

- Lost Hills Sheriff's Station: 818-878-1808
- **Call 911** for emergencies requiring immediate assistance from law enforcement, fire services, or medical responders, such as crimes in progress, fires, or life-threatening situations.

HOME ALARM REGISTRATION & RENEWAL

Per City of Hidden Hills Resolution No. 487, all alarm systems must be registered with the City at an initial fee of \$50.00. Registration(s) must then be renewed each January, at an annual renewal fee of \$50.00.

Resolution No. 487 also states that if the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department responds to a false alarm at your address, regardless of what causes the false alarm, you will be billed \$140.00 (for each false alarm).

If you have any questions regarding the above, please don't hesitate to call the City Hall office at (818) 888-9281.

To register your alarm system please visit: www.hiddenhillscity.org/home-alarm-registration and fill out the permit application and return it with your check made out to the City of Hidden Hills.





CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

It's that time of year again!

This year you can recycle your Christmas tree(s) one of two ways:

1. Place in green waste cart or next to cart for pick-up on your regular pick-up day any time between December 26th and January 12th. Any tree taller than 6 ft. must be cut in half. Nothing longer than 4 feet.
2. Place in the designated drop-off bin at either the Community Center or the upper parking lot of City Hall between December 26th and January 12th.

Please be sure to remove all plastic containers, metal stands and bars, ornaments, and tinsel, or the trees cannot be recycled. Flocked trees, or trees coated with a fire retardant, are accepted.



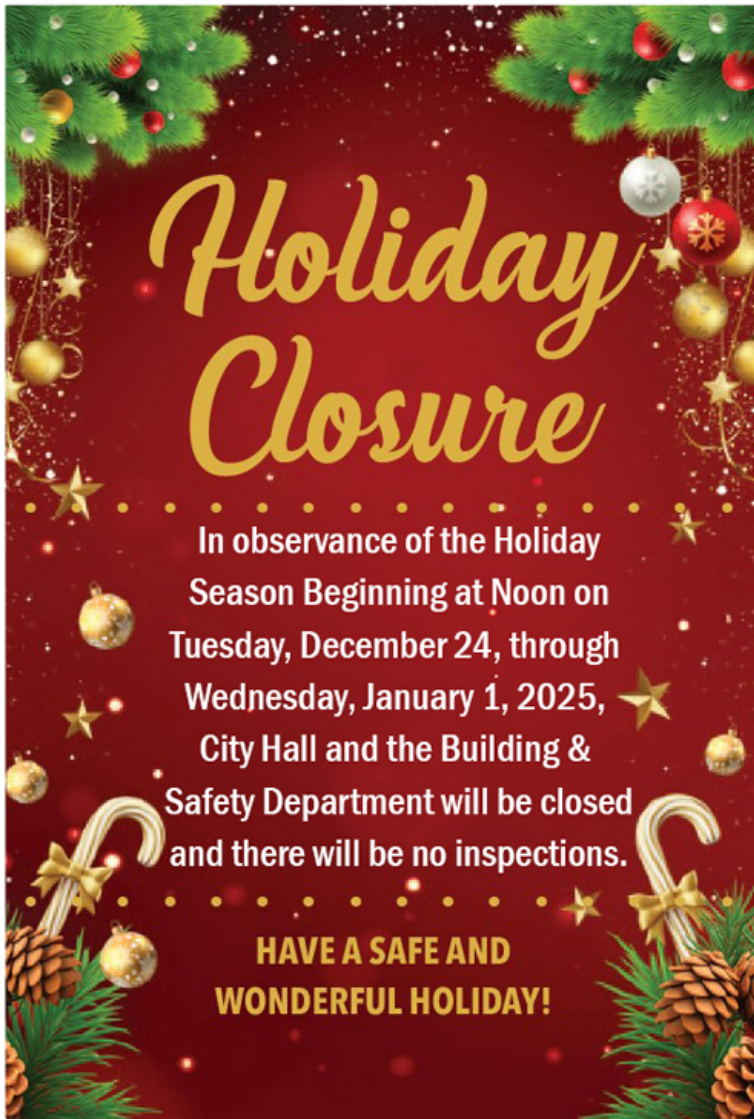
**CHECK
BEFORE
YOU
BURN**

November marked the beginning of South Coast AQMD's annual Check Before You Burn season. Now through the end of February, residents are asked to check before burning wood in their fireplaces to limit emissions of fine particulate matter (PM2.5).

A No-Burn day is a 24-hour ban on wood-burning in residential fireplaces, stoves or outdoor fire pits in the South Coast Air Basin. South Coast AQMD forecasters call for residential No-Burn Days when PM2.5 is expected to reach unhealthy levels due to air emissions and stagnant weather conditions.

Short-term exposure to PM2.5 can cause throat and eye irritation, aggravate asthma, and trigger other respiratory or cardiovascular health problems. Prolonged exposure to high levels of PM2.5 may increase the risk of strokes, heart attacks and cancers. Young children, older adults, people with lung or heart diseases, people who are pregnant, and those who spend a lot of time outdoors are especially vulnerable to the health effects of PM2.5. Burning wood contributes to poor indoor air quality and poor air quality in surrounding neighborhoods. Gas and other non-wood burning fireplaces are also exempt.

Visit South Coast AQMD's Check Before You Burn webpage at: www.aqmd.gov/cbyb for more information and resources to make No-Burn Days as convenient as possible.



Sheriff's Blotter

October 2024

	CURRENT MONTH	YTD 2024	YTD 2023	CHANGE
Homicide	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0
Robbery				
Armed	0	0	0	0
Strong-arm	0	0	0	0
Assault	0	2	1	1
Burglary				
Residential	0	1	1	0
Business	0	0	0	0
Vehicle (locked)	0	0	0	0
Theft				
Grand (\$950+)	0	2	2	0
Petty	0	1	0	1
Vehicle (unlocked)	0	0	0	0
Grand Theft Vehicle	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0
Domestic Violence / Felony	0	1	0	1
Domestic Violence/ Misdemeanor	0	1	1	0
Trespassing Calls for Service	3	15	17	-2

Noteworthy Incidents: Nothing to report



**LOS ANGELES
EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS
FOUNDATION**

PROTECT HIDDEN HILLS FROM WILDFIRES AND POTENTIALLY REDUCE YOUR INSURANCE RATES

For Hidden Hills residents, Los Angeles Emergency Preparedness Foundation (LAEPF) offers two incredible programs to help prevent wildfire-related risks:

Community Brigade Program

Acting as trusted resources with intimate local knowledge, the Community Brigade equips residents with training to support responding agencies during wildfires and other disasters.

Home Ignition Zone Assessments

LAEPF provides free Home Ignition Zone assessments to evaluate your property and recommend ways to reduce wildfire risks and protect your home.

These free programs will help the City achieve our goal of a Firewise Community designation, which will help reduce insurance rates throughout the city.

To learn more about the LAEPF and the programs they provide, please visit: www.hiddenhillscity.org/laepf

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City Council Updates

To comply with recent changes in state law, Council opened a public hearing to amend Article P of the city's municipal code, entitled "accessory dwelling units," finding the action to be statutorily exempt from CEQA under section 21080.17 of the public resources code.

L.A. County Fire Dept. Asst. Chief Drew Smith presented an update consolidating all calls from Hidden Hills residents from July - October and reported that there were 0 fires, 20 EMS calls, 0 hazardous material calls, and a total of 3 snake calls, the lowest in the region. There were also 22 good intent calls. A good intent call is a call made

to the fire department to report a potential hazard or concern, but the responding fire company determines that the incident is safe. Asst. Chief Smith also offered his assistance in helping Council with their goal of becoming a Firewise Safe Community which will help the city become eligible for certain wildfire mitigation grants and help residents qualify for insurance discounts.

The next City Council meeting will be held on Monday, December 9th. The meeting starts at 5:30 p.m. and can be watched on Channel 3 (Charter/Spectrum Cable) or web streamed via the City's website.

CITY COUNCIL REORGANIZATION

Join us at City Hall on December 9th at 5:30 p.m. for the final City Council meeting of the year! During this meeting, a new Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem will be selected at 6:30 p.m.

Can't make it in person? You can also participate via Zoom, watch on Channel 3 (Charter/Spectrum), or livestream the event on the City's website. www.hiddenhillscity.org.

Don't miss it!



MONDAY, DECEMBER 9th

Regular Council Meeting @ 5:30 PM
Reorganization Meeting @ 6:30 PM

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

6165 Spring Valley Road
Hidden Hills, CA 91302

City Council Meetings

Decembr 9, 2024, 5:30 p.m.
Hidden Hills City Hall
6165 Spring Valley Road

City Council

Mayor	Eniko Gold
Mayor Pro Tem	Larry G. Weber
Council Member	Joe Loggia
Council Member	Laura McCorkindale
Council Member	Adam Wasserman

City Staff

Interim City Manager	Gloria Mollada
Interim City Attorney	Michael Jenkins
City Clerk	Deana L. Gonzalez, CMC
Accountant	Theresa Hernandez
Administrative Analyst	Aaron Williams
City Engineer	Dirk Lovett
Building Inspector	Steve O'Hara
Public Safety & Emergency Services Manager	Mike Grant