

MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 22, 2015
TO: City Council
FROM: John Pietig, City Manager
SUBJECT: WEEKLY UPDATES

Community Emergency Response Team - There are still seats available for the class starting Wednesday, March 25. Classes will meet weekly on Wednesday evenings from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The CERT program consists of 25 hours of classroom and hands-on training. It concludes with an exercise drill to apply the skills and knowledge obtained during the classroom sessions. Training topics include Disaster Preparedness, Fire Safety, Disaster Medical Operations, plus many more. Applications and the course schedule can be found at the front counter of the Police Department or on the City's website, <http://lagunabeachcity.net/cityhall/police/programs/cert.asp>.

2015 Seasonal Rookie and Ocean Lifeguard Tryouts - Tryouts will be held at Main Beach on Saturday, February 28, 2015 and Saturday, March 14, 2015. Attendance at one test session is required. Sign-in begins at 7:30 a.m. at the Main Beach Lifeguard White Tower. Candidates must be ready to enter the water promptly at 9:00 a.m. Exceptions or late arrivals cannot be accommodated. The City's online application procedure must be completed and application submitted prior to the filing deadline of Thursday, February 26, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. The Physical Testing and Training Waiver must also be completed and submitted prior to entering the water. Please carefully follow the online application instructions located on the City of Laguna Beach Employment website page at: [http://www.lagunabeachcity.net/cityhall/marine/employment .asp](http://www.lagunabeachcity.net/cityhall/marine/employment.asp)

Community Assistance Grant Program - The City of Laguna Beach is now accepting applications for the Fiscal Year 2015-16 Community Assistance Grant Program. Each year, the City Council awards grants to assist local non-profit organizations in funding new projects and/or expanding services within the community. Applications must be returned to the Community Services Department (515 Forest Avenue) by mail or in-person. Applications will be accepted until 5 p.m. on Friday, February 27, 2015. More information regarding the Community Assistance Grant Program, including the application form, is available on the City's website: <http://www.lagunabeachcity.net/cityhall/community/grants.asp>.

Miocean Foundation Contribution - The Gaviota Drive Urban Water Diversion Unit has been successfully installed. The City has received a check for \$50,000 from the Miocean Foundation toward the installation of the project. We thank Miocean Foundation for their contribution and applaud them for their support of projects that can make an immediate difference to Ocean water quality in Laguna Beach. In most years the City's diversion systems prevent more than 8 tons of pollutants from reaching the ocean.

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