



**CITY HALL
INFORMATION**

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City Office Hours
8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Monday thru Thursday

City Council Meetings
1st & 3rd Tuesday
Council Chambers, 7:00 p.m.



School's Out Academic and Recreation (SOAR) Summer Program

June 15 – August 14 • River Oaks Elementary • Monday – Friday 7:00am – 6:00pm
The Galt Parks & Recreation Department is happy to announce the “School's Out!” Academic & Recreation (SOAR) Program will be offered this summer. It is available to all children who will be entering grades 1-6 in August 2015.

Weekly fees vary: \$125 M-F/Full Days 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.; \$90 MWF/ Full Days 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.; \$60 T/Th/ Full Days 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.; \$45 MWF/Half Days; \$30 T/Th/Half Days (7:00a.m. - 12:00p.m. OR 1:00p.m. - 6:00p.m.); \$75 M-F/Half Days 7:00a.m. - 12:00p.m. OR 1:00p.m. - 6:00p.m.

**SAVE the DATE
INDEPENDENCE
DAY
CELEBRATION
Saturday, July 4th**

- Parade - Free Entry
- Kevin Tonn 5K Run
- Tournaments, Exhibition Hall, Kid Zone, Fireworks in the Pool, etc.

For more information visit
www.ci.galt.ca.us/IDC

**Have Your Next
YARD SALE
at The Galt Market**

Forget the hassle of placing ads and posting signs all over the neighborhood! The Galt Market attracts thousands of shoppers every Wednesday! Clean out your house for Spring and sell your treasures here! Pick a Wednesday, bring this newsletter to the Galt Market office between 5am & 8am, and get a space at the special Galt Resident rate of \$25.

For more information, please contact the Galt Market Office at (209) 366-7161.



Galt Connect
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Accessing the City with GaltConnect App

Stay in touch with the City through this easy-to-use service. You have access to important City information, can submit service requests, report issues, and track your requests online and via your mobile phones.

The City will also provide relevant information on local events, emergency alerts and more through the App. You may download GaltConnect App now and start connecting. For more information on this service and how to download the App or submit a request, please visit: www.ci.galt.ca.us.



Online Reporting

The Galt Police Department is proud to announce it will soon be providing a new online police reporting option for the public. This web based reporting system will allow the public to file certain types of incident reports (minor theft, graffiti, vandalism, lost property, auto burglary, crime tips, identity theft, etc.) over the internet at your convenience. The Galt Police Department expects this internet based reporting service to be very popular among citizens who have come to expect police services to be provided immediately and conveniently online.

The service will allow the public to file a report at a time that is best for them without having to wait for an officer to respond or call them back. The public will be able to print a temporary copy of the report upon submitting the report. The report will be reviewed by police personnel and once approved, the filing person will receive an email with a copy of the report attached without cost. The report will transfer into the Galt Police Department's records management system and receive the same investigation and statistical analysis ability as if a police officer had filed the report.

This web based reporting option will allow officers more time to address community needs while keeping pace with the public's desire to complete services via the internet.

The web based crime reporting service will soon be available at www.galtpd.com.

Water Meter and Conservation Updates

The installation of new water meters in older areas of Galt is nearing completion, along with the installation of replacement meters in the newer areas of Galt. The remote read and automated data features offered by the new meters are in final testing. After successful testing, comparison bills will be sent to current flat rate customers prior to receiving a metered bill. This will allow customers to determine what their future water bills may be and take steps to adjust their water usage. Customers will also be receiving instructions on how they can review their water usage via the internet.



Overall, Galt residents and businesses are commended for continuing to take the on-going drought and water conservation seriously. For the period from August 2014 through February 2015 Galt has met or exceeded the Governor's call for a 20% reduction in water use in all but one month. With record low rainfall in northern California this winter, it is clear that a fourth year of drought is upon us. Galt is still in a Stage 2 water alert, which restricts outdoor water use and limits watering to 3 days per week (even # addresses are Wed/Fri/Sun, odd # addresses are Tues/Thurs/Sat) It is imperative that all our residents continue to be 'water wise' and enhance their conservation efforts where possible.

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Special Dates

April 7.....	City Council Meeting
April 21.....	City Council Meeting
May 5.....	City Council Meeting
May 19.....	City Council Meeting
May 25.....	City Offices Closed - Memorial Day
June 2.....	City Council Meeting
June 16.....	City Council Meeting

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Cultivation of Marijuana is Prohibited in Galt

On March 5, 2015, a new law adopted by the City Council, known as the Cultivation of Medical Marijuana Ordinance, became effective. This law prohibits the indoor or outdoor cultivation of marijuana in the City of Galt by any person. There are no exceptions to this prohibition. Violators will be subject to criminal prosecution and fines.

The Cultivation of Medical Marijuana Ordinance was adopted to protect City residents from the nuisance impacts associated with marijuana cultivation, including noxious odors, increased risk of fire associated with dangerous electrical alterations and lack of ventilation, and the increased risk of criminal activity.

If you have any questions or complaints regarding the cultivation of marijuana inside the city limits, please contact the police dispatch center at (209)366-7000. The police department will investigate all complaints and take appropriate steps to ensure prompt compliance with this new law.

All are welcome to come help our creeks at the 2015 Creek Week Cleanup Day on April 18th from 9am-12 noon. You can call Sabra at (916) 807-4985 or email her at sabrasabra@sbcglobal.net if you would like to volunteer. You can find all the scheduled activities during Creek Week at the following link: http://creekweek.net/images/cw_brochure_2015.pdf or www.creekweek.net.

Sacramento Area Creeks Council



Water and Sewer Reliability Projects

Several water and sewer construction projects are currently underway to enhance the reliability of the City's water and sewer systems.

Meadowview Area Water Lateral Replacements: Over 200 aging water service laterals are being replaced in the Meadowview area. The existing water service lateral pipes are made of polybutylene plastic, which has become brittle and leak prone with age. This project will also install new meter boxes in preparation for meter installations.

Vintage Oaks Lift Station Rehabilitation: The existing sewer pumping station serving the Northeast Area of Galt has recently been fully rehabilitated to provide another 20 years of service. Work included installation of a temporary by-pass pump station, cleaning the existing wet well, grouting concrete joints to eliminate water infiltration, recoating and installation of new pump removal rail systems.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades: Work on the \$16 million sewer plant upgrades continue. Work includes the installation of a new oxidation ditch, clarifier and sludge handling equipment, as well as new pond liners, and control systems and building improvements. The existing oxidation ditches and clarifiers will also be rehabilitated and retrofitted with process upgrades and energy efficiency features with this project. The existing oxidation ditches and clarifiers will be rehabilitated and retrofitted with process and energy efficiency features.

Help us tell the story of our town

Galt Heritage Festival

On August 29, 2015 at Harvey Park, the Galt Community of Character Coalition in conjunction with the Galt Community Alliance will be holding the Galt Heritage Festival, a multicultural event. To tell the history of how Galt became a town, we would like to highlight different ethnic groups, past and present. We are asking for your help. We want to display or have performers representing some of the countries of our founding fathers that were part of the creation of Galt. Some of the countries that we want to highlight are Switzerland, England, Mexico, Italy, Sweden, Scotland, China, Native American, and Holland. We are also looking for memorabilia to display of the Lincoln Highway that ran through the middle of town. Please contact Barbara Payne at 209-366-7121 or bpayne@ci.galt.ca.us.



Police Speaker Series



Two months ago, the Galt Police Department started a community outreach program called the Police Speaker Series. On the 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm, the Police Department conducts a meeting highlighting different positions/units within the department. Following the presentation, attendees are encouraged to discuss what they have learned and ask questions regarding the department or any other issue they would like to discuss.

Currently, the Police Department has 10 more community-oriented topics scheduled which are designed to engage the community. The department believes that these meetings are an effective way to build communication between the police and the community we serve. We want the community to know what we do at the Police Department and share the many components of our job.

We believe the Speaker Series, along with the Neighborhood Watch in the Park, will help us increase our interaction with the community and reinforce our vision statement of "Public Trust through Professional Service".

Please join us for our next Speaker Series being held at the Anthony Pescetti Community Room inside of the Galt Police Department on Wednesday, April 22 at 7:00 pm where we will highlight "An Evening with the Police".

Twin Cities Road Roundabouts Award

The Twin Cities Road Roundabouts have been open to the public for more than 6 months. The roundabouts are working well and provide an attractive gateway into the City of Galt. On February 25, 2015 the project received the Community Improvement of the Year award from the Sacramento Chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers. The roundabouts competed against other construction projects completed in 2014 and was evaluated based on (1) contribution to the well-being of people and communities, (2) resourcefulness in planning and solving design challenges, (3) agency cooperation and coordination, (4) pioneering in use of materials and methods, (5) innovations in construction, (6) impact on physical environment and (7) beneficial as well as adverse effects of the project, including aesthetic value.



Garage and Yard Sales

As spring and warmer weather are upon us, the City's Code Compliance Division reminds Galt's residents of the City's ordinance on Garage Sales. Galt Municipal Code Section 18.60.030 states that garage sales shall be limited to two (2) per year, each of which shall last no more than three (3) consecutive days.

If you are planning a yard sale this year, please be aware that your yard sale signs may not be installed on City property, such as on sign posts, utility poles or trees, or within landscaped parkways or on sidewalks. Signs promoting your garage or yard sale should only be placed in your yard or on your vehicle.

For questions regarding this or any other code enforcement matter, or to file a complaint, please contact the City's Code Compliance Division at (209) 366-7200.

Community Benefit Funding Grant

The City of Galt released its annual Community Benefit Funding Application on Wednesday, April 1, 2015, which allows any local Galt Community 501(c)(3) non-profit organization to apply for the Community Benefit Funding Grant opportunity. Funding decisions are made solely by the City Council and funds must be expended between the time-period of July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016. Applicants must be a community-based resident 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with proper certification from the Internal Revenue Service and must be in good standing with the California Franchise Tax Board. Applications and materials are available on the City's website at www.ci.galt.ca.us or can be picked-up from the City Clerk's Office, 380 Civic Drive, Galt, CA. Applications are due to the City Clerk no later than April 30, 2015 at 5:30pm.