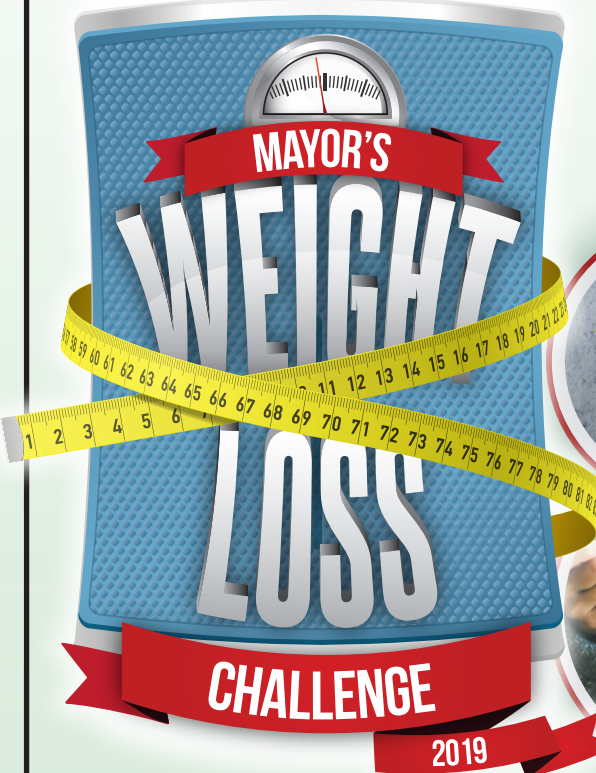




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Town of Apple Valley, California

APPLE VALLEY



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The Mayor's Weight Loss Challenge has returned to Apple Valley for its third competition since the program began in 2015. Under the umbrella of the Town's Healthy Apple Valley program, the Mayor's Weight Loss Challenge was the first community-wide weight-loss challenge to come to Apple Valley.

The Mayor's Weight Loss Challenge has brought more than 350 Apple Valley residents their own success stories with hundreds of pounds lost and thousands of dollars in prize money won.

Sponsors and gyms in Apple Valley are encouraged to join the Town in helping participants find their success this year.

A Facebook group will keep members on track for

monthly weigh-ins, upcoming events, and healthy recipes to try. Among other scheduled activities, members are invited to try out lap swimming for free at the Town's Aquatic Center, and several participants will have the chance to win monthly passes for lap swimming and water fitness classes.

"This has been a great way to keep Apple Valley's residents on track and living a healthier lifestyle," said Steve Orr Director of Business Development at Heritage Victor Valley Medical Group. "This year we are matching the mayor's \$1,000 to the overall grand prize winnings. We hope to see more community partners join us in promoting this outstanding event."

Results will be based on total percentage of weight loss.

**For more information on Healthy Apple Valley, contact the
Apple Valley Recreation Department at (760) 240-7880 or visit www.AVRrecreation.org.**



MEETING CALENDAR

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings take place in the Council Chambers at 14955 Dale Evans Parkway

TOWN COUNCIL

February 12 & 26
March 12 & 26
April 9 & 23
at 6:30 p.m.

PLANNING COMMISSION

1st & 3rd Wednesday
at 6 p.m.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

1st Thursday
of alternate months
at 6 p.m.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

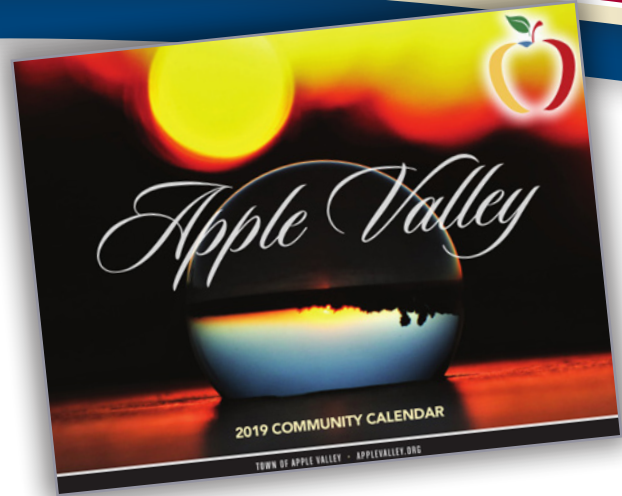
Every Saturday from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Hazardous Waste Collection Center
13450 Nomwaket Road
Closed March 30



YARD SALE

Permits Required

Yard sales are a great way to do some spring cleaning and earn a little cash. The Town of Apple Valley allows yard sales at single family homes up to three times a year for no more than three consecutive days each time. Multi-family complexes can have one yard sale per year per unit, and require property owner permission. There is no charge for a yard sale permit, just complete and return the application available on our website at www.AppleValley.org. Click on the "How Do I" tab and "Have a Yard Sale."



FREE COMMUNITY CALENDARS Available

The 2019 Community Calendar is still available for free at Town Hall. The full-color publication features photographs that highlight the beauty of Apple Valley. The calendar includes important meeting dates, special events, Town Hall closures, information on Green Apple Valley and a Town directory that will make this a resource you don't want to be without. Distribution of this calendar is free thanks to the support of Apple Valley Choice Energy.

TOWN HOLIDAY CLOSURES

The Town of Apple Valley will be closed for the following holidays:

January 21
Martin Luther King Jr. Day

February 18
President's Day

Most department offices are closed on alternating Fridays.

Upcoming Friday closures are January 25, February 8 & 22, March 8 & 23, April 5 & 19.



FIRE DISTRICT

PLAYS A ROLE IN DISTRIBUTION CENTER SAFETY

Slated to open in late 2019, the Big Lots Distribution Center is the newest addition to the North Apple Valley industrial area.

At 1.3 million square feet it is the largest concrete tilt-up construction in Apple Valley and the local Fire District is playing a role in its safety measures.

Fire Suppression Facts:

- For a building this size there are 37 separate sprinkler systems
- It contains 17 individual sprinkler risers
- It has more than 500 Early Suppression Fast Response (ESFR) Sprinkler heads. These types of sprinklers are designed to distribute a large amount of water rapidly to quickly suppress a fire.

To put these facts into perspective, a 5,000-square-foot commercial building would be equipped with one sprinkler system consisting of one sprinkler riser and approximately 20 standard sprinkler heads.

VISTA DEL SOL COMMUNITY

Tapped for Future Growth

Ten years after the recession that would collapse the nation's housing industry, Apple Valley's Vista Del Sol Community has been granted a development permit to complete the 96 remaining single-family tract homes in north Apple Valley. With 30 homes built and occupied in the gated community, the project aims to bring an additional level of home customization to prospective buyers seeking Apple Valley's rural lifestyle, dramatic landscapes and growing community.

"We are seeing some excitement from the housing market and are hopeful to meet that market demand here in the High Desert for the semi-custom home product," said homebuilder Dave Faylor of Evergreen Homes. "We are optimistic heading into 2019."

Located in north Apple Valley along Choco Road, the Vista Del Sol Community's last home was built in 2008. The latest proposal, approved by the Apple Valley Planning Commission in December, consists of four floor plans ranging from 2,508 to 3,396-square-feet of living area with three different building elevations per floor plan. Construction is expected to commence in early 2019.

"Apple Valley's high quality of life makes it a great place to live," said Town Manager Doug Robertson. "In fact, we've been voted best place to live seven years running. This project is another example that Apple Valley is still on the map as a prime location for housing growth. The continuation of this project will bring more options to people considering moving to Apple Valley."

To receive additional information on Apple Valley's market conditions, please contact the Town's Economic Development Office at (760) 240-7915 or email select@applevalley.org.

**For questions on the project contact Dave Faylor of
Evergreen Homes at (760) 403-0429 or email
dfaylor@cambridgehomesinc.net.**



RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES

FOR ALL AGES

Information/Registration:

(760) 240-7880 or www.AVRecreation.org

ADVENTURES IN PEE WEE SPORTS

Children ages 3 to 5 are encouraged to participate in this six-week program designed to introduce the basic skills needed for team sports including soccer, basketball and T-ball. Participants will learn about sportsmanship, fair play and safety. Three sessions will be offered based on age. Visit www.AVRecreation.org for session times and registration deadlines.

Beginning Dates: Feb. 19 and Feb. 23. **Cost:** \$52

CPR AND FIRST AID TRAINING

Learn how to do CPR, use an AED, and provide basic first aid procedures for burns, allergic reactions, shock and more in this class that follows the American Red Cross guidelines. The class will be offered monthly on Feb. 9, March 16, April 6 and May 18 from 10 a.m. to noon. **Cost:** \$75

Location: Apple Valley Conference Center **Ages:** 12 and up

SPRING CO-ED SOFTBALL LEAGUE

All players must be over 18. Only 12 teams will be accepted so register early. Men must use a wooden softball bat 2 1/4" in diameter. **Cost:** \$355/team **Registration deadline:** Feb. 21 **Games Begin:** March 1

Location: Brewster Park

EASTER EGG HUNT, April 20, 9:30 a.m.

The Sharon Frazier Annual Easter Egg Hunt hosted by the Apple Valley Optimist Club #15017 is back for its 55th year. The hunt is open to children ages 10 and younger and will begin at 9:30 a.m. sharp on the baseball fields so arrive early. There is a separate area for children with special needs. Bring your favorite basket to collect your eggs. **Note:** Parents are not permitted on the field during the egg hunt



THE HEART GAMES, FEB. 23, 8:30 A.M.

Grab your friends, family and coworkers to form a team of 3 to 5 people and compete in this family-friendly Olympic style event. Each team will compete in a variety of family friendly checkpoints throughout Civic Center Park. Activities include dancing, health knowledge and physical activity, with a race to the finish line. Sponsors and committee members are also welcome. Registration deadline: Feb. 7 **Cost:** \$10/person.

2019 RUNNING SERIES Begins This April

The Recreation Department will launch its 2019 running series this spring with the Bunny Run on April 20, followed by the Firecracker Run on July 4, and the Turkey Run on November 23.

"Our runs have gained a pretty big following with more and more participants signing up each year," said Recreation Supervisor Andy Shoup. "Each race takes place at a different park in Apple Valley so our competitors get a new route and the chance to see different parts of Town at every event."

All of the runs feature a 5K run, 5K walk, and a 10k run. Custom medals are awarded to all registered runners and the top three racers in each age group receive awards. As an added bonus, the top male and female winners of the Turkey Run each receive a turkey to enjoy for the holidays.

The registration deadline for the first run is April 18. Check-in on April 20 at 7 a.m. at James Woody Community Center Park on field #8 off of Ottawa Road for an 8 a.m. race start. The cost is \$20 by April 18 or \$25 on race day. Walkers are free.

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KINDERBOTS

Children ages 4 to 6 will begin to explore the world of robotics as they build simple models that teach the fundamentals of robotic design. Whether learning about sensors while building drills and magic wands, or discovering ways that gears and pulleys create movement while building helicopters and robotic dogs, your child is sure to have a great time. **Two sessions:** Jan. 28 to March 11 and April 1 to May 6 **Days/Time:** Mondays 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. **Cost:** \$100

STAR WARS™ MOVIE MAKING

Bring Star Wars™ to life with stop motion animation using LEGO® bricks. Children will work in teams to produce their very own Star Wars™ LEGO® movie complete with dialog and sound effects. **Two sessions:** Jan. 28 to March 11 and April 1 to May 6 **Days/Time:** Mondays 5 to 6 p.m. **Cost:** \$100

INTRO TO ANIME

This six-week course teaches children ages 8 to 15 the Japanese style of animation that is known for its colorful graphics and vibrant and expressive characters set in a fantasy world. Two sessions available beginning Jan. 30 and March 27. **Cost:** \$66 + \$20 due to instructor for each course **Days:** Wednesdays **Time:** 3:30 to 4:20 p.m.

COMPUTER CODING

Students ages 8 to 15 will explore basic concepts of coding and will create their own computer program. Two sessions available beginning Jan. 30 and March 27. **Cost:** \$66 + \$20 materials fee due to the instructor. **Days/Time:** Wednesdays 5:30 to 6:20 p.m.

VIDEO GAME DESIGN

You play them, now learn how to develop them. Working in teams, students ages 8 to 15 will create and design their own video games that they can take home and play. Computers are provided for classroom use. Two sessions available beginning Jan. 30 and March 27. **Cost:** \$66 + \$20 materials fee due to the instructor. **Days/Time:** Wednesdays 6:30 to 7:20 p.m.

SPRING DAY CAMP

Families with younger children may be interested in our traditional day camps that offer a fun safe place to keep children entertained, healthy and engaged with games, crafts, free time, outdoor play and light cooking. Spring session is March 25 to 29. **Cost:** \$57 to \$107 depending on days and schedule.

Long gone are the days when spring camps were just play time mixed with some arts and crafts. In Apple Valley, spring break options range from robotics to movie making. Contact our Recreation Department at (760) 240-7880 or visit www.AVRecreation.org for more information on the following spring camps:

JUNIOR SCIENTISTS

Allow your child (ages 4 to 6) to cultivate their love of animals. Children will learn various concepts of animal life cycles and animal characteristics and traits using K'Nex toys and other interactive learning tools. **Two sessions offered:** Jan. 23 – Feb. 27 or April 3 to May 8. **Cost:** \$100 **Days:** Wednesdays **Time:** 3:45 to 4:45 p.m.

SPACE WARS ROBOTICS

Children ages 7 to 14 will learn about space, space travel and Star Wars™ by building different, functional, robots each day using LEGO® bricks. **Two sessions offered:** Jan. 23 to Feb. 27 or April 3 to May 8. **Cost:** \$100 **Days:** Wednesdays **Time:** 5 to 6 p.m.



STREET PAVING PROJECTS Continue in 2019

Since our incorporation 30 years ago, one of the Town's top priorities has been to develop and maintain a strong transportation system. For that reason, the Town has made resurfacing the roughly 420 miles of paved roads a primary focus.

Since August of 2017, the Town has collectively paved approximately 100 miles of residential, collector, and arterial roadways using multiple funding sources such as Senate Bill 1 (SB1) and Local Transportation Funds (LTF).

The town's engineering department is preparing to resurface an additional 15 miles of bus routes using LTF funds. This work should begin in April and last approximately two months.

"Using LTF funds to improve the heavily traveled bus routes allows us to use our normal paving budget on residential areas and collector roads that may be overlooked while focusing on the major roads that require constant attention," said Town Manager Doug Robertson, who noted that a new residential surfacing project has been slated to begin this summer.

Prioritizing roadwork is a balance between reconstructing severely deteriorated roads and maintaining less damaged roads to prevent the need for more costly upgrades. Sometimes, there are roads that simply need a pothole patch but are otherwise in good condition.

To report a street that needs attention of any kind, visit www.applevalley.org and click "Let us Know" at the top of any page, or call (760) 240-7000 x7013.



Upgraded BUS STOP Improves Accessibility

Bus riders traveling west on Bear Valley Road now have easier access to the Victor Valley Transit Authority (VFTA) bus stop between Kiowa and Snapping Turtle roads thanks to the recently completed Bear Valley Road Bus Stop Improvement Project that was completed with \$269,287 in Local Transportation Funds (LTF).

The new bus turnout and ADA compliant shelter replaced an outdated structure that formerly stood on a dirt shoulder. Additionally, the sidewalk gap between Outer Bear Valley and Snapping Turtle was closed with the construction of a new, 10-foot-wide sidewalk and ADA accessible curb ramps.

"The focus of this project was accessibility and making it easier for our residents to get around town either by bus, bike, or on foot," said Town Engineer Brad Miller. "It was important for us to remove the dirt barrier that served as an obstruction, particularly for people in wheelchairs and walkers."

Now that the project, is complete, residents at the Solstice Senior Living facility and adjacent areas can travel along a sidewalk to the shopping centers at the intersection of Bear Valley and Kiowa Roads.

The bus stop was identified by Town and VFTA staff as having the heaviest usage without the benefit of a paved stop. Town staff will continue to work closely with the VFTA to identify similar areas where LTF dollars can be used to improve accessibility.

Low Cost PET VACCINE CLINICS OFFERED

There are few better ways to show your pet you love them than to keep them current on their vaccines. Apple Valley Animal Services partners with local veterinary hospitals to offer low-cost vaccines several times a year at the shelter from 5 to 7 p.m.

Rabies vaccines are available for dogs or cats for \$6. Additional vaccines available for dogs are Bordetella for \$10 and DA2PP for \$15. The feline leukemia vaccine is offered for \$15. Microchip services are only \$20. Cash only please. Same-day license renewal is offered for town residents only.

Clinics will be held in 2019 on the following dates:

- February 6
- April 3
- June 5
- August 7
- December 4

A clinic will also be held at the Paws N' Claws Pet Fair on October 20. The shelter is located at 22131 Powhatan Road at Quinault Road. Contact the Town of Apple Valley Municipal Animal Shelter for details at (760) 240-7000 x7555 or visit www.AVAnimals.org.

FUR BALL

A celebration of Olympic magnitude

The 9th Annual Fur Ball benefit for the animals will take place on May 11. This signature event will feature an Olympic theme with music, dinner, live and silent auctions, and a no-host bar. Tickets are \$80 per person and table and sponsorship packages are available. For more information visit www.AVAnimals.org.

PET MATCH VIDEOS

Continue to Save Lives

German shepherds, boa constrictor snakes, roosters, fresh water turtles and even a pot belly pig named 'Hamlet' have all been featured 'stars' of the Apple Valley Animal Shelter's Pet Match video series. The show is aimed at increasing the adoption rates for all animals that enter the shelter by introducing them on video through the shelter's Facebook page (@Apple Valley Animal Shelter) and Apple Valley's PEG television channels (Charter channel 186, Verizon/Frontier channel 29). In fact, adoption rates have increased by more than 30 percent for each animal featured on the show.

"Over the last year, our series has helped the homeless pets of the Apple Valley Animal Shelter be seen, not only locally, but across the state," said Animal Services Specialist and host of the show, Brandie Iraburo. "Our efforts along with those sharing and tuning in every week have helped place more than 120 pets in 2018 alone. I am quite honored to be a part of the AVAS Pet Match team and look forward to our 2019 series."

Viewers are welcome to visit the shelter's Facebook page as well as www.AVAnimals.org for a full list of pets available.



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES TO KEEP APPLE VALLEY CLEAN AND GREEN

COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP DAY:

Don't like litter? Be a part of the solution! The Recreation Department is accepting applications for our semi-annual Community Clean Up Day that will be held April 13. Registered groups and individuals are provided with clean-up supplies and an assigned area to clean. In return, participants get an event T-shirt and lunch while supplies last. Volunteers must sign up in advance to get supplies, assignments and fill out a liability waiver. Residents can also bring tires, bulky items and non-hazardous household trash to Lion's Park for free disposal services.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

Our facility is open the first four Saturdays of each month to accept hazardous waste such as paint, medications, batteries, chemicals, televisions, and more for free. Additionally, staff will be on hand to accept up to four banker-size boxes of paper goods to be shredded on Community Clean-up Day. Visit www.GreenAppleValley.org for a complete list of what is accepted at each location.

NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN-UPS

Discard your yard waste, furniture, mattresses, small appliances, metal, household trash and more at Lion's Park on Jan. 19 and March 9. The Code Enforcement Department will be stationed at the park from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. to accept these items free of charge. No tires, refrigerators, TV's or household hazardous waste will be accepted. Visit www.AVCode.org or call (760) 240-7560 for more information.

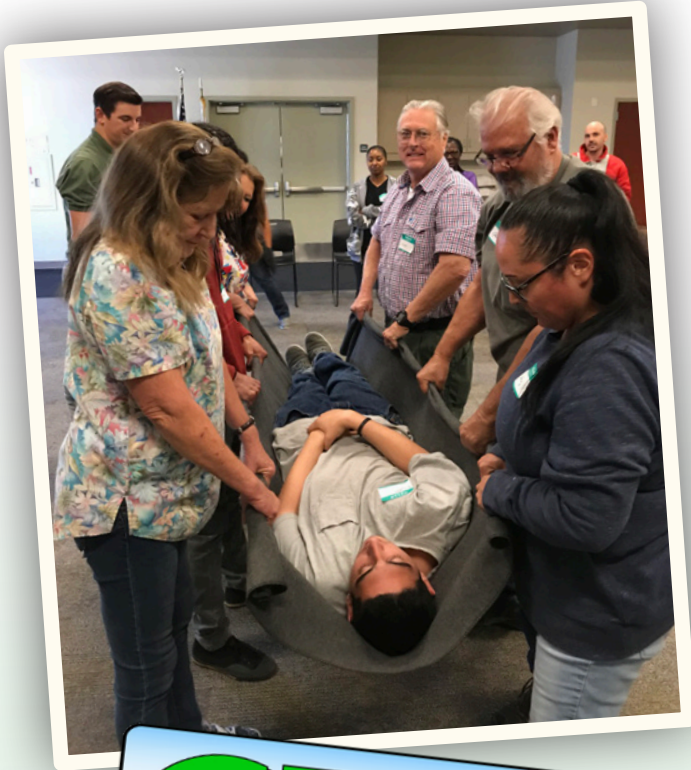
TIRE AMNESTY DAY

Discard up to nine tires for free at Lion's Park from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Feb. 9. Passenger tires only. No rims. No commercial dealers.

LET US KNOW

See graffiti, inoperative vehicles, broken windows, weeds, or, damage to public parks and streets? Let us know! Visit www.AppleValley.org and click on the "Let Us Know" link at the top of any page. Using this feature creates a case that staff can follow-up on and assign to the appropriate department.

Town of Apple Valley, California



CERT Class Offers **FREE DISASTER RESPONSE TRAINING**

Are you ready to help yourself, your family and even your neighborhood in times of emergency? Get prepared by participating in a free 20-hour Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Basic Training Class.

The CERT Program educates citizens on disaster preparedness and hazards, and trains them in basic disaster response skills such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, disaster medical operations and terrorism. Through classroom training and exercises, CERT members are able to assist others in their neighborhood or workplace. CERT members are also encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role in emergency preparedness projects in their community.

Additional training is available to become a Volunteer Disaster Services Worker, which allows for our community members to be activated in support of our first responders in a major disaster.

The next two classes will be held in January and April. Register online at www.ReadyAppleValley.org. Each participant will receive a CERT manual, backpack, vest, and helmet upon completion of the class. For more information call (760) 240-7000 x7791 or email ready@applevalley.org.

Learn more about the CERT class and Apple Valley
Emergency Preparedness Department:

Email: Ready@applevalley.org visit: www.ReadyAppleValley.org



TODAY IN WATER IS MARCH 5

Grab a cup of coffee with Mojave Water Agency (MWA) General Manager Tom McCarthy during the Agency's first-ever Today in Water. This talk show-style program will help keep High Desert residents informed and updated on the latest news and happenings in the water industry and will feature a special guest who will join McCarthy for a sit-down conversation. Today in Water will be held from 8:30 to 10 a.m. March 5 at MWA. RSVP to Public Information Specialist Bryan Kawasaki at bkawasaki@mojavewater.org or (760) 946-7001. MWA is located at 13846 Conference Center Dr., Apple Valley.



S.A.V.E. SUPPORT APPLE VALLEY Events

Summers have helped create irreplaceable memories at the Town of Apple Valley events for more than 20 years. Jumpin' and jivin', picnics on the grass, live entertainment and Independence Day fireworks are just a few things that have provided thousands of smiles through the years. In 2019, we need your help to S.A.V.E. (Support Apple Valley Events) this season so it isn't our last.

Help us S.A.V.E. our full roster of concerts, including the Freedom Festival; as well as our smaller activities such as the Rockin' Flea Market and twice annual Community Clean Up Days with a contribution to our Apple Valley Community Foundation.

Last year, more than 20 businesses and individuals contributed to the S.A.V.E. campaign, which allowed us to bring a full calendar of concerts, clean-up days, flea markets, craft shows, parks and recreation programs, and more. It's clear to see why we've been named the best High Desert City to Live In seven years in a row in a poll of Daily Press readers.

Contributions from other residents, volunteer organizations and businesses have "S.A.V.E.d" other things like the lives of animals, with donations to our animal shelter; our aquatics program, with donations to our Recreation Department; and our environment, with contributions to our Green Apple Valley program.

What Town program or event would you like to S.A.V.E.? Any contribution will help. With a \$25 donation, you will receive a special recognition of your generosity. Checks made out to AVCRF (Apple Valley Community Resource Foundation) can be sent to S.A.V.E. Campaign, Town of Apple Valley, 14955 Dale Evans Parkway, Apple Valley, CA 92307. Or you can donate online at www.AppleValleyEvents.org using PayPal or a credit card.

The AVCRF is a not-for-profit public benefit corporation. Check with your tax professional to see what tax benefits you may gain from your contribution. For more information visit www.AppleValleyEvents.org.



Rock and Roll and shop 'til you drop at our community flea market on May 11. This semi-annual event plays host to individuals, non-profit groups, churches and civic organizations to sell items that range from handmade items to garage sale treasures. Live music and food vendors make shopping a unique experience.

For more information or to reserve a space to sell, visit www.AVRecreation.org or call (760) 240-7880.



LIFEGUARD TRAINING CLASS OFFERED THIS SPRING

Every summer the Town of Apple Valley hires a crew of lifeguards to supervise swimmers, teach lessons and more. Become eligible for one of these valuable positions this spring at one of two Lifeguard Training sessions. The knowledge and skills taught in this course will teach participants everything they need to keep themselves and others safe in and around any aquatic environment.

The course covers rescue skills, CPR/AED, first aid, emergency childbirth and major trauma emergencies.

Successful completion of Lifeguard Training is required for all who seek employment as a lifeguard at the Civic Center Park Aquatic Center. Refunds will be given for participants who fail to pass the pre-swim requirement test.

The first session begins on March 2 with a Feb. 27 registration deadline. Session two begins March 23 with a March 20 registration deadline. Participants must be 15 years or older. The class costs \$200. Call the Parks and Recreation Department at (760) 240-7880 for more information.

Attend This Year's "Swim Fair" For Lesson Sign-Ups

Swim lessons sell out fast! Don't miss your chance to enroll your child. The first day for summer swim lesson registration is Saturday, May 4. Here's what you need to know:

- Open to Apple Valley residents 7:30 to 10 a.m.
- Non-residents can register beginning at 9 a.m. or whenever the resident line is empty.
- Proof of residency required (I.D. and utility bill)
- Only a parent or legal guardian can register children for classes – no exceptions
- NO refunds, transfers or credits
- Line will form in between Town Hall and the Police Department
- Can't make it to Swim Fair? Online registration will open at noon on May 4

RESIDENTIAL REHABILITATION LOAN PROGRAM



T H E T O W N O F A P P L E V A L L E Y

The Town is now offering 0% interest deferred loans up to \$25,000 for improvements to eligible owner-occupied single and multi-family homes (up to four units).

For more information on eligibility requirements, please contact the Town of Apple Valley Housing Division

14955 Dale Evans Parkway, Apple Valley, CA 92307
760.240.7000 ext. 7208
housing@applevalley.org
www.AVHousing.org

ELIGIBLE IMPROVEMENTS



Health, Safety
and Code Violations



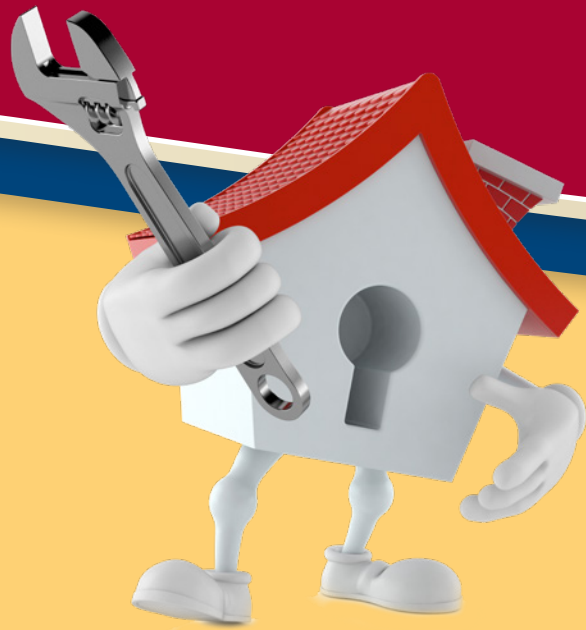
Energy Conservation



Accessibility Improvements
for Disabled



Necessary Repairs for
Deferred Maintenance



Apple Valley Expands **HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM** For Low-Income Residents

Rain, high winds and freezing temperatures can have negative effects on housing structures in the High Desert. Homeowners wrestling with damage from the winter season may qualify for the Town of Apple Valley's Residential Rehabilitation Loan Program to make repairs, replace old appliances, or furnish new improvements to their existing home.

The rehabilitation program has been expanded to include owner-occupied multi-family housing, up to four units. The owner must reside in one of the units and all tenants must meet proper income requirements under the terms and conditions of the federally-funded program.

The program offers a 0% interest loan up to \$25,000 for eligible participants that can be used to increase energy conservation, replace or modify any health, safety or code violations and make improvements for disabled accessibility or other necessary repairs for deferred maintenance. For example, a family of four with a clear title and a maximum income of \$53,900 annually could qualify for a 0% simple interest loan deferred for 30 years.

Apple Valley's Residential Rehabilitation Loan Program is an Equal Housing Opportunity Program.

To receive additional information on eligibility requirements and to begin the loan process, contact the Town of Apple Valley Housing Division at (760) 240-7000 x7208 or visit www.AVHousing.org.

PUBLIC NOTICE ALERT Virulent Newcastle Disease



Residents raising fowl in Apple Valley are encouraged to be on the alert for symptoms your flock has been exposed to the Virulent Newcastle Disease (VND) that has been found in Southern California. It is a contagious disease of birds, including chickens. All birds can be infected with VND. In most cases the disease will kill chickens. Other birds may not get sick

but can still spread the disease to chickens and other pet birds. If you think your birds are sick please immediately call the Sick Bird Hotline at: 866-922-2473. More information on VND is available at www.cdffa.ca.gov.

BLOOD DRIVES Scheduled in 2019

It is easy to save a life and only takes a few minutes. Find out how simple it is at a LifeStream blood drive hosted by the Town of Apple Valley in 2019.

All prospective donors should be free of infections or illness, weigh at least 110 pounds, and not be at risk for AIDS or hepatitis. Donors receive a free mini-physical as part of the donation process. Donating blood takes about an hour yet gives someone a lifetime. Join us:

- June 13
- September 12
- December 12

Call LifeStream at (800) 879-4484 or visit LSTREAM.ORG for more information or to make an appointment.

Top 7 Reasons to Shop Local.

SHOP LOCAL



THINK APPLE VALLEY

1. Build Community

When an individual business profits, the entire community prospers.

2. Add Jobs

Buying local can increase hiring and drive down unemployment rates.

3. Preserve Safety

Tax revenues fund vital public safety including police and fire services.

4. Attract Retail

Successful stores and restaurants attract even more options to a commercial area.

5. Maintain Infrastructure

Tax revenues maintain roads and keep up parks and sports fields.

6. Support Events

Award-winning events include the Sunset Theater and Concert Series and July 4th Freedom Festival.

7. Avoid Traffic

Staying local saves time and money on travel and reduces stress.

Did You Know?

Dollars spent locally generate a greater return to the community than shopping out of town or online.

www.ShopAppleValley.org





Two sessions available for the **START SMART DRIVING PROGRAM**

Send your teen on the road to safety by enrolling him or her in the Apple Valley Police Department's Start Smart driving class Feb. 26 or April 23 from 6 to 8 p.m. Designed by the California Highway Patrol to offer tips on how to avoid collisions, adopt safe driving habits, learn the consequences of making a poor choice behind the wheel of a vehicle and much more, this class is offered free to teens accompanied by a parent. Some automobile insurance companies may offer a discount for teens who attend a Start Smart class. The classes are held at the Town of Apple Valley's Conference Center located at 14975 Dale Evans Parkway. Seating is limited. For additional information or to reserve a seat contact Joy Ballinger at (760) 240-7400 x7457.

San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department

EXPLORER PROGRAM

The primary mission of the Sheriff's Explorer Program is to educate and mentor youth and provide in-depth firsthand experience in the field of law enforcement. The program is intended to interest youth in possible law enforcement careers and to build a mutual understanding. Participation in the explorer program helps in the areas of character building, leadership development, and community involvement.

The explorer training includes physical fitness, weaponless defense, firearms, chemical agents, investigations and much more. Some of the activities might include traffic control, community functions, ride-alongs with deputies and explorer competitions. Candidates must be between 14 and 20 years of age, maintain a "C" grade point average, pass a background investigation and an oral interview.

Applications are available at the Apple Valley Police Department or online at www.co.san-bernardino.ca.us/sheriff/volunteer/volunteer.asp.

YANA PROGRAM

Offers Seniors Peace of Mind



You Are Not Alone (YANA) is a free program that provides regular phone calls to seniors who are able to care for themselves and are living on their own. Offered by the Apple Valley Police Department, YANA promotes peace of mind and a sense of

security for elderly residents. It's a great resource for disabled seniors who enjoy the independence of living on their own, but don't have friends or family members nearby to check on them regularly.

If an emergency occurs during a phone call or the senior is unable to be contacted, the YANA representative will arrange for a deputy to be sent to the residence to do a welfare check. For more information or to sign up to become a YANA participant, please contact the Apple Valley Police Department at (760) 240-7400.



TOWN INFORMATION

TOWN COUNCIL

- Art Bishop
- Larry Cusack
- Curt Emick
- Kari Leon
- Scott Nassif

HOW TO REACH US (All Numbers 760)

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Reflects on First Year as Town Manager

It's hard to believe it's been a year already, yet at times it's hard to believe it's only been a year. This has been one of the most eventful, challenging, yet rewarding experiences in my career and I am thrilled to have the privilege to serve as your Town Manager.

We've had to dig deep to continue to provide essential public services without noticeable interruption. Significant budget cuts, including the closure of one park and staff downsizing, have not been easy, but they have been an important step in bringing our expenditures back in line with our revenues. These actions will ensure we have the fiscal wherewithal to keep moving forward on one of the most important issues in the Town's thirty years of incorporation: transitioning the Town's water supply into an asset owned and managed by you, the residents of Apple Valley.

In 2018, the court ruled in favor of the Town, and against Liberty Utilities, stating that the Town had followed state environmental laws and could continue our acquisition efforts. We expect more progress in 2019, including a trial where a judge will consider the Town's right-to-take the water system.

In 2019, the Big Lots Distribution Center will open, adding several hundred industrial jobs to our community and the greater High Desert. Tractor Supply Company will open, adding to our growing retail base. The Town will also annex more than 1,300 acres into the Town's boundaries in north Apple Valley including prime freeway frontage along I-15. These extraordinary actions lay the groundwork for long-term economic growth and stability in Apple Valley's commercial and industrial sectors.

After recently meeting with several developers and real estate professionals, my 2019 work plan includes engaging with the Town Council and Planning Commission to propose changes to the Development Code that will give us greater flexibility to help bring more business to Apple Valley. Our goals are to make Apple Valley truly business friendly while maintaining our high-quality standards and "Better Way of Life."

Hand in hand with that will be a renewed focus on fostering quality customer service to our residents, businesses and developers as we begin several important projects that will continue to show that Apple Valley is the place to live, work and play.