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Very Important Information on 2010 Census Orland May Lose If Census Count Is Not Correct

It is imperative to have everyone living in Orland participate in the 2010 Census. Many revenue sources from the State are determined based on the Census reporting. Additionally, the County and State will also lose. Below is an excerpt from the League of California Cities "Western City" magazine.

"Our cities and counties risk losing between \$3 billion and \$5 billion in federal funding if our residents are undercounted in the census. Just as alarming, California could lose a congressional seat for the first time in its 160-year history."

"Although California is home to 12 percent of the nation's total population, nearly 22 percent of the nation's hard-to-count (HTC) people live here. HTC populations are more likely to mail back their census questionnaire when people from their community, who act as trusted messengers, legitimize the census to them and dispel the fear surrounding the government form."

"An estimated undercount of 2.7 percent of California residents in the 1990 census translated into a loss of \$20 billion over the following decade."

Orland needs your help. The 2010 Census is only ten questions that can be answered in ten minutes. This will also define who we are as a nation. Census data are used to determine locations for retail stores, schools, hospitals, new housing developments and other community facilities. Households are asked to provide key demographic information, including: whether a housing unit is rented or owned; the address of the residence; and the names, genders, ages and races of others living in the household. **By law, the Census Bureau CANNOT share an individual's responses with anyone, including other federal agencies and law enforcement entities.** Please do your part in answering the form and mail it back in.

For more information see pages 2 and 3 of this newsletter. If you need help or assistance City Hall would be more than happy to guide you in the right direction. City Hall is located at 815 4th Street or phone us at 530-865-1600.

CITIZEN/BUSINESS FORUM

The City Council will hold its first annual Citizen/Business Forum on Monday, March 22, 2010 at 6:30 pm in the multipurpose room at Orland High School. This forum will start off with the Mayor providing a list of accomplishments over the past year and projects that are ongoing for this year.

The Mayor, Vice-Mayor and Councilmembers will then listen to suggestions/recommendations from the citizens and business owners in the community. These suggestions/recommendations will be considered during a goal setting workshop by the City Council to be scheduled in April 2010. The date and time has not been determined.

It is anticipated the goal setting workshop will be a precursor to developing the city's annual budget for 2010/2011.

How It Affects the Nation

We Can't Move Forward Until You Mail It Back

That's why it's so important that you fill in the form and promptly mail it back. Census information affects the numbers of seats your state occupies in the U.S. House of Representatives. And people from many walks of life use census data to advocate for causes, rescue disaster victims, prevent diseases, research markets, locate pools of skilled workers and more.

When you do the math, it's easy to see what an accurate count of residents can do for your community. Better infrastructure. More services. A brighter tomorrow for everyone. In fact, the information the census collects helps to determine how more than \$400 billion dollars of federal funding each year is spent on infrastructure and services like:

- Hospitals
- Job training centers
- Schools
- Senior centers
- Bridges, tunnels and other-public works projects
- Emergency services

Participation isn't just important—it's mandatory

How It Benefits Your Community

The 2010 Census is your community's voice in government.

When you [fill out the census form](#), you're making a statement about what resources your community needs going forward.

Accurate data reflecting changes in your community are crucial in apportioning seats in the U.S. House of Representatives and deciding how more than \$400 billion per year is allocated for projects like new hospitals and schools.

That's more than \$4 trillion over a 10-year period for things like new roads and schools, and services like job training centers.

The census effect in action

In addition, residents themselves have used census data to support community initiatives involving environmental legislation, quality-of-life issues and consumer advocacy.

- **“Low-income families have clearly been targeted in this study.”** The Organic Consumers Association used census data to lobby the Environmental Protection Agency to halt testing dangerous chemicals on low-income children in Florida. The testing was eventually stopped due to the petition.
- **“This data shows that Phillips has a higher number of both elderly and children under the age of 5 within its boundaries.”** A town in Minneapolis used census data to push for further examination of the environmental and physiological impact of a proposed energy facility.

“Florida is rapidly being developed, increasing the threats to wildlife” Save the Manatee Club petitions Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to step up protection of Florida's at-risk species using census data.

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Protecting Your Personal Information

Federal law protects your identity and the information you give us.

We depend on your cooperation and trust, and promise to protect the confidentiality of your information. [Title 13 of the U.S. Code](#) protects the confidentiality of all your information and violating this law is a crime with severe penalties. In addition, other federal laws, including the Confidential Statistical Efficiency Act and the Privacy Act reinforce these protections.

* Private information is never published

It is against the law to disclose or publish any of the following information:

- Names
- Addresses including [GPS coordinates](#)
- Social Security numbers
- Telephone numbers

We Collect Information to Produce Statistics We use your information to produce statistics. Your answers cannot be used against you by any government agency or court.

Sworn for Life to Protect Your Confidentiality All Census Bureau employees take the [oath of nondisclosure](#) and are sworn for life to protect the confidentiality of the data.

Violating the Oath Is a Serious Crime The penalty for unlawful disclosure is a fine of up to \$250,000 or imprisonment of up to 5 years, or both.

Common Privacy Questions

Be assured, your information is safe.

How is my information protected? All Census Bureau employees take the [oath of nondisclosure](#) and are sworn for life to protect the confidentiality of the data. By law, the Census Bureau cannot share respondents' answers with anyone, including the IRS, FBI, CIA or any other government agency.

Can my neighbor see my information? No. Individual census records are not shared with anyone, including other federal agencies and law enforcement entities. By law, the Census Bureau cannot share respondents' answers with anyone, -- not the IRS, not the FBI, not the CIA, and not with any other government agency. [The penalty for unlawful disclosure is a fine of up to \\$250,000 or imprisonment of up to 5 years, or both.](#)

How can I keep my information safe? The easiest way to keep your information safe is to fill out your census form and mail it back right away. Also, look for identification from census takers and remember that the Census Bureau will NEVER ask for any information to be submitted online.

What steps are taken if my information is compromised? A determination of the sensitivity of the information and the specific details associated with incidents determines the action the Census Bureau takes. Actions range from sending notification letters to providing credit-monitoring services. All incidents are reviewed and Census Bureau senior management receives regular status reports on the incidents.

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Message from the Community Services Department **City of Orland General Plan and Housing Element Updates**

The City of Orland is currently in the process of updating the City of Orland General Plan and the Housing Element of the General Plan. Every jurisdiction (city and county) in the State of California is required to have an adopted General Plan containing seven (7) State-mandated Elements: *Land Use, Noise, Transportation/Circulation, Open Space/Conservation, Safety, Air Quality, and Housing*. The only Element mandated by State law to be updated every five (5) years is the Housing Element. Without a Housing Element in compliance with State Housing Law, jurisdictions are not eligible to apply for State funding, such as Community Development Block Grants.

The City Council held a Public Hearing at its February 16, 2010, meeting to solicit input and comments from the public and agencies. The City will be accepting written comments regarding the Negative Declaration and Housing Element Update up to March 3, 2010, at 5:00 p.m. Certification of the Negative Declaration and adoption of the Housing Element Update are scheduled for determination at the March 15, 2010, City Council meeting.

The other mandated Elements of the General Plan are not required to be updated by State law at any certain time; however, the General Plan is the leading document that contains the goals, policies, and programs for guiding growth and development in the City. When development outgrows the goals, policies, and programs in the General Plan, then an Update is necessary. The last General Plan Update for the City was in 2003, and since that time, the City has seen an extraordinary amount of growth and development in a short span of time. As a result, the General Plan is in need of updating, with a review of, and update to, the existing policies in order to comply with new State and Federal regulations, such as climate change and greenhouse gas emissions reductions (SB 375 and AB32), among others.

A General Plan Update is considered a "project" under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and as a result, the City of Orland is in the process of preparing an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the General Plan Update in order to analyze the policies to ensure that there would be no potentially significant effects to the environment through implementation of these policies.

The Housing Element of the General Plan is also considered a "project" under CEQA, and as a result, a separate Negative Declaration has been prepared for the Housing Element alone as the Environmental Impact Report prepared for the General Plan Update will be analyzing the slated land re-designations and the policies contained in the Housing Element Update as required by State law.

The City's website, www.cityoforland.com (under Departments, Planning, Maps, Forms and Documents) contains the following documents and maps for public review and comment for the General Plan Update: *Draft Final Opportunities and Constraints Report, Draft Final Background Report, Draft Final Policy Document, Draft Land Use Map, and the Draft Land Use Map with requested land use designation changes*. The City welcomes and appreciates any and all comments regarding these Draft documents by contacting the City of Orland Planning Division at 530.865.1608; by email to nsailsbery@cityoforland.com; or by mail to City Hall, 815 Fourth Street, Orland, CA 95963.

Upon review of all *Administrative Draft* documents by Staff, and revisions made, Drafts of the General Plan Update and Environmental Impact Report will be released for public and agency review for the State-required 45-day review period. During this time, public hearings for the *Draft* documents will be scheduled. If you would like to be individually notified of these hearings, please contact the City of Orland Planning Division as noted above. Please note that all documents are *Draft* until approved by the Orland City Council.



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RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Recreation Department is staying busy as the winter basketball season and activities are coming to an end this weekend and then we jump into our spring and summer activities. This past basketball season the Recreation Center was a huge asset to many of the local middle and high schools. Capay, Lake, Plaza, Providence, and CK Price hosted some of their home games at the Recreation Center. Orland High School men's and women's basketball teams held its practices at the Recreation Center. Currently our Youth Basketball League is wrapping up its 8 game schedule this weekend. There were a total of 10 teams in two different age groups. It was a great season and could not have happened without all the help from each of the volunteer coaches. Thank you all coaches and especially the Orland High School basketball program and current players. During the week of February 15th – February 19th we held our annual winter basketball camp. It went very smoothly as the kids ran through many different drills and then finished off the day with 5 on 5 games full court.

Current programs running through the Recreation Department are Adult Basketball, Adult Volleyball, Cardio Kick-Boxing, Seniorsize, open gym basketball and open gym Volleyball. Coming up starting March 13th is our Youth T-Ball league. Games will begin the weekend of March 13th 9:00am at Spence Park. Registration deadline is March 3rd. The cost per child is \$30 dollars which includes a jersey, hat, and 8 games of T-Ball. Summer activity guides will be coming out in April so look forward to signs up as the Recreation Department is offering six youth camps and our annual adult softball season is just right around the corner.

The Recreation Department is also planning the First Annual City of Orland Golf Tournament. The Tournament will be held at the Glenn Golf and Country Club on March 28th. It will be a "Best Ball Scramble". It will be \$75 per player or \$300 per team of four. Tee off time is scheduled at 9:00am Sunday morning. Proceeds benefit the Orland Library, Orland Recreation Department, and Centennial Celebration Committee. Prizes will be awarded for men's and women's longest drive and closest to the hole. R and R Sales of Orland is donating a car for a hole in one. The top 3 teams will also be awarded a prize. Two raffles will take place in conjunction with the golf tournament. The first is a "Super Raffle." Tickets will be on sale at the Orland Recreation Department, Salvagno's Event Designers and Florists, and City Hall. "Super Raffle" tickets are \$5. Prizes include a three-night stay at a Napa Valley resort, a gas barbecue, and \$100 cash. You do not need to be present to win. The second raffle will take place at the golf course. You must be present to win. Tickets are \$1 and prizes will include many great gifts donated by the Orland community and surrounding businesses. If you have questions about this Tournament or if you would like to get involved, you can call the Recreation Department at 865-1630.

Summer time is coming near and the Orland Recreation Department is looking for Lifeguards and Pool Cleaners. All returning Lifeguards or Pool Cleaners will start at step 2 of the wage scale. Lifeguards with Water Safety Instructor (WSI) certification are recommended but not required. WSI Certification is required to teach swim lessons. If you are interested in being a lifeguard or pool cleaner this summer for the City of Orland, application deadline is 5:00pm March 5th 2010. Applications are available at City Hall or the Recreation Department.



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Orland Free Library

Artwork on Display at the Library

Stop by the library and take a look at the fabulous artwork created by the talented students in the Orland High School art class on display in the teen section.

Information Online

Free access from your library at www.orlandfreelibrary.net-All you need is a library card!

Repairing a car? Try **Chilton Library** for automotive instruction and diagrams on all makes and models.

Looking for a magazine or newspaper article? Try **General Reference Center Gold**. It has thousands of articles in full-text.

Studying for the GED, ASVAB, SAT, or a civil service job test? Take a look at **Testing and Education Reference Center**. It has lots of practice tests, and even the full text of study books.

Need health or medical information. Use **Health Reference Center**. Find thousands of articles from health and medical journals.

Public Works Department

There are times when the Public Works Department needs to shut off water service to City residents. It may be because a water line needs repairing or an accident has occurred. They do their best to inform all customers as soon as they can so arrangements can be made for showers, clothes washing, etc. when it is a planned shut down. But there are times when an emergency arises and the Public Works crew has to take immediate action to remedy the problem. If you have a disruption of water service, call the Public Works Department at 865-1610 and you will be informed on the situation and when you can expect your water service to be restored.

Due to budget constraints, the City will not have a green waste pick-up this spring. If there is going to be a fall pick-up, you will be informed around August. In the meantime, please use the City's green waste facility at County Roads N and 21 for all of your yard clippings. Even without the annual spring pick-up, we hope citizens will continue to keep their lots trimmed and free of debris.

City Council Raises Utility Late Fees

The City Council raised the late fee charge for water/sewer utility billing from \$2 to \$5. This late fee will begin with the utility bills that will be sent out on April 1, 2010. The April 1, 2010 utility bills will be due April 30, 2010, and a late fee of \$5.00 will be added to the billing account on May 1, 2010.

Late fees have not been raised since they were established thirty-years ago in 1980. Currently, late fees do not cover the cost of printing, distributing and assisting with customers who are more than 30 days past due.



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Important Message From The Police Chief

I recently sat through a webinar presentation on Social Media and Electronic Communications for the Law Enforcement Workplace. During the webinar, the presenter mentioned that most college and job recruiters routinely search Social Media Forums for the applicant such as Facebook and My Space accounts and use the information, pictures, and videos posted on the accounts as decision making tools for the admittance or hiring of the college student or job applicant. I have included an excerpt from an article posted on career builder.com that gives tips on protecting your online image.

Warning: Social Networking Can Be Hazardous to Your Job Search

Kate Lorenz, CareerBuilder.com Editor

Don't let online social networking deep-six your careers. Protect your image by following these simple tips:

1. Be careful. Nothing is private. Don't post anything on your site or your "friends" sites you wouldn't want a prospective employer to see. Derogatory comments, revealing or risqué photos, foul language and lewd jokes all will be viewed as a reflection of your character.
2. Be discreet. If your network offers the option, consider setting your profile to "private," so that it is viewable only by friends of your choosing. And since you can't control what other people say on your site, you may want to use the "block comments" feature. Remember, everything on the Internet is archived, and there is no eraser!
3. Be prepared. Check your profile regularly to see what comments have been posted. Use a search engine to look for online records of yourself to see what is out there about you. If you find information you feel could be detrimental to your candidacy or career, see about getting it removed -- and make sure you have an answer ready to counter or explain "digital dirt."

First Annual Orland Golf Tournament

The First Annual Orland Golf Tournament will be held on March 28, 2010 at 9:00 am at the Glenn Golf and Country Club in Willows. The tournament is to benefit the Orland Free Library and the Orland Recreation Department.

The cost is \$75 per person and \$300 per team. A dinner will follow the tournament with prizes for first, second and third place, longest drive, closest to the pin and even a car for a hole-in-one on a designated hole. If you are interested sign up at the Orland Recreation Center. There will be 18 teams, and sign up is on a first-come-first-play basis. A waiting list will also be taken once the 18 teams are full.

There will also be raffles, food offered at the turn and a beverage cart making the rounds.

The Orland Free Library will use the money to purchase books and needed supplies. The Recreation Department will use the funds to purchase recreation equipment. These funds will not be used for operations or maintenance.

There are sponsorships available for \$120, this cost will provide the sponsor with a 18" x 24" sign. The sign can be reused next year at a cost of only \$100. There will be two signs assigned to each of the nine holes. For sponsorship contact the City Manager, Paul Poczobut Jr., at 865-1603.



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Message from the Orland City Clerk

Best of the West Expo

The City of Orland will again be participating in this year's Best of the West Expo which takes place Saturday March 27, 2010 at the Glenn County Fairgrounds. Please stop by the "Orland Arch" and say "hi" to Orland Mayor Wade Elliott, Vice Mayor Jim Paschall and Councilmembers Paul Barr, Reggie Olney, and Bruce Roundy.

City Council Meetings

The public is encouraged to attend our City Council meetings which are held on the first and third Monday of each month. The meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. and are held at the Carnegie Center, 912 Third Street.

A copy of the City Council agenda is always available Thursday afternoon prior to the scheduled City Council meeting. You may pick up a copy at City Hall or it's available online at www.cityoforland.com. The agenda is also posted on the message board in front of City Hall.

Chamber of Commerce Presents Best of the West Business Expo

There are still booth spaces and sponsorship opportunities available for the 5th Annual Best of the West Business Expo, reports event chairman Kevin Schindler.

Created to showcase the best the West side has to offer, the Expo offers local businesses and industries the opportunity to thank current customers as well as solicit new ones. The focus of the Expo is business to customer, and provides any business on the west side of the valley that opportunity.

Booth spaces cost the same as last year, with Chamber members receiving discounted pricing.

Act quickly to ensure your place at this premier business to customer event. For additional information call the Chamber office at 865-2311.

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