

October 1, 2021

Community Update

by Travis Walker, Chief of Police

First, I want to thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve the great community of Cathedral City as your newest Chief of Police. It is truly an honor to serve such a fine community and work with the outstanding men and women who make up our Police Department. On their behalf, please accept our gratitude for your support.

Retired Chief George Crum is to be commended for his efforts in enhancing the service that the department provides our community during his tenure, and the partnerships that he helped build.

The importance of partnerships between a police department and the community it serves cannot be overstated. It is through these types of partnerships that a high quality of life and low-crime rate can be preserved for those who live and work in Cathedral City, as well as those who visit our great community. This is my on-going commitment to you as your Chief.



I am happy to report that the most recent data that we reported to the FBI shows a 25% decrease in Part I crime, compared to the same time frame as 2016. The Part I crime category includes the following crime categories: Homicide, Robbery, Rape, Burglary, Aggravated Assault, Larceny, and Motor Vehicle Theft. Through effective traffic enforcement strategies, and the utilization of Grant funds obtained from the California Office of Traffic Safety, we also saw a significant reduction in traffic related fatalities this year.

Since our last community update, our officers have stayed active with our community engagement efforts in a variety of ways. During the Halloween Spooktacular Event held at the Civic Center, officer showed off many of the tools used to help keep our community safe, while also conducting child safety seat inspections, and giving away bicycles and bicycle helmets to several lucky young people from our community. Officers also participated in the inaugural Snow-Fest parade, and City Hall Tree Lighting ceremony. The elves you saw in the parade, and spreading joy downtown that night, were members of our Police Cadet program. The Police Department held their annual "Shop with a Cop" event at Target last week, and treated 36 local children to a morning shopping experience that included seeing Santa arriving at Target in the Bearcat, breakfast, and then a generous shopping experience with members from our department. This event is made possible through donations received from local businesses and our money our officers donate to help make a difference for some of the children of our community.

While keeping in line with our current Strategic Plan, the department will continue to undertake programs that will allow us to be responsive to the needs of our community while fostering mutual trust. Some of these programs will include on-going traffic safety campaigns, growing our Neighborhood Watch groups, and launching a Community Police Academy in 2018. The community academy will be designed to help educate members of our community on all that your police department does to protect the you, and help answer your questions about the profession.

We will also be conducting a variety of new community engagement events in 2018, to help keep you better informed about department happenings. Look for Coffee with a Cop, and Coffee with the Chief, events throughout the year!!!

Have a safe and prosperous New Year!

News



The next City Council Meeting is January 10, 2018



Palm Springs International Film Festival Begins on January 2nd

Get your tickets now for the Palm Springs International Film Festival that begins on January 2nd with movies starting on January 5th at the Mary Pickford Theatre in Cathedral City. This will be third year in a row that the film festival has utilized the newly renovated Mary Pickford Theatre with ...[Read more.](#)

Upcoming Events

Movies in the Park

Gather the family, blankets and/or chairs for "Movies in the Park" located this season at the Downtown Festival Lawn, 68600 East Palm Canyon Drive (HWY 111) in Cathedral City.



The free event, hosted by the Cathedral City Evening Rotary and sponsored by the City of Cathedral City, happens once a month on a Saturday evening every month between November and May, at 7:00 pm, except for the month of May, which begins at 8:30 pm due to daylight savings time.

You are welcome to bring snacks or non-alcoholic drinks, but you can also purchase them from the movie organizers at the concession stand. Great Family FUN!

Palm Springs International Film Festival

The Palm Springs International Film Festival is a portal for the very best in world cinema, welcoming more than 136,000 enthusiastic filmgoers. For the third year in a row, the film festival will utilize the Mary Pickford Theatre in Downtown Cathedral City to showcase many of the films on multiple screens.

For tickets and all information about the festival, go to www.PSFilmFest.org

[Read more.](#)



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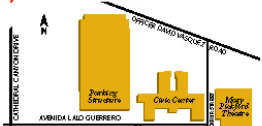
WHEN: 2017 Saturday, October 7, November 4 and December 2
 2018 Saturday, January 6, February 3, March 3, April 7 and May 5

TIME: 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
 Arrive early – once the shredding truck is filled to capacity the event will end.

LOCATION: 68-510 East Palm Canyon Drive

EXAMPLES OF DOCUMENTS:

- Legal documents
- Medical records
- Financial statements
- Accounting files/records
- Personnel files



CHILDREN'S ART PARTY FOR CHILDREN AND ELDERS

The SCRAP Gallery and the Agnes Pelton Society hosts the Children and Elders monthly Art Party at the Simeon Den Gallery, 68895 Perez Road, Suite I-27 (across from Frankie's Italian Bakery) on the First Saturday of each month from 1-3 PM. Admission is free.

Participants create art pieces made of recyclable materials and also meet and work with a local guest artist, who will share his/her work as well as conduct ...[Read more.](#)

Cathedral City
Childrens
 Artes para Los Niños
 Holiday Gift Making
Art Party!
 y adultos mayores



SIMEON DEN GALLERY

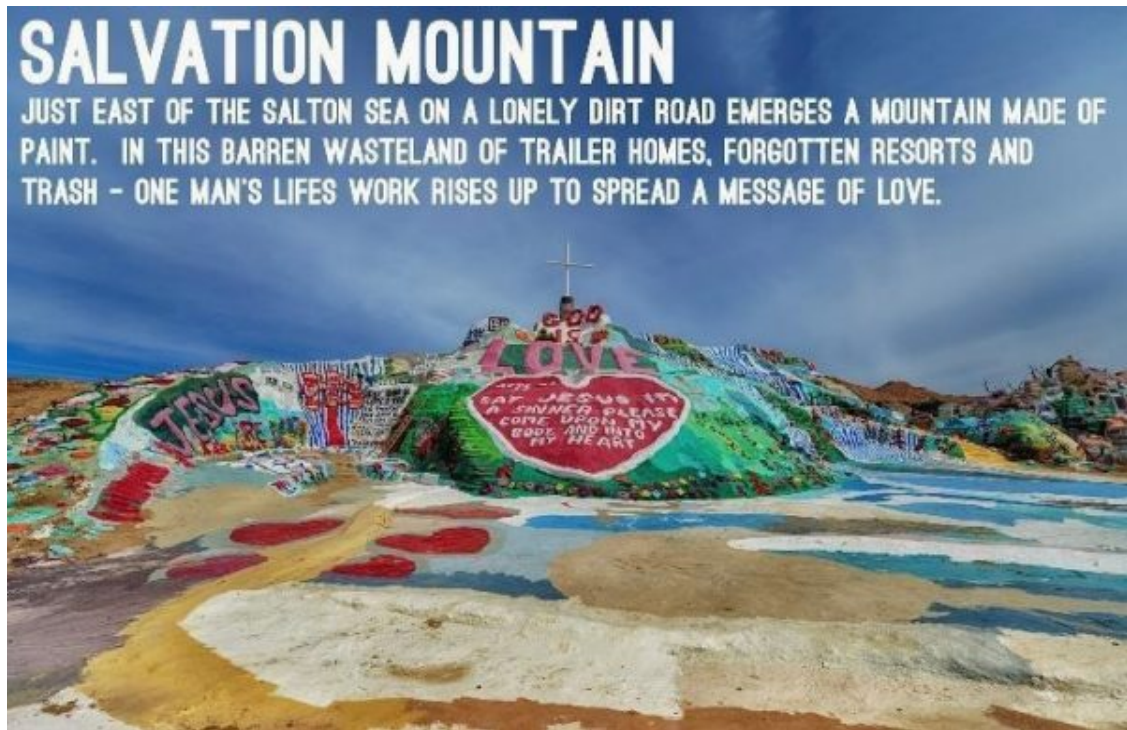
Saturday Dec 2, 1-3pm
 68895 Perez Rd, #I-27 Cat City
 info **760-459-3564**

City of Cathedral City SCRAP Gallery Agnes Pelton Society

2nd Saturdays Art Walk on Perez Road

Every 2nd Saturday, come to Cathedral City's Art & Design District for "2nd Saturdays Art Walk on Perez Road" where you will discover special art exhibits, museum quality art as well as cultural art to brighten your soul, meet other like-minded people, and maybe get a little exercise going from art gallery to design gallery to art gallery. It will be ARTtastic!

[Read more.](#)



Salton Sea and Salvation Mountain Day Tour

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3rd Annual
Taste of Jalisco
 A Celebration of Our Sister City TEQUILA, JALISCO - MEXICO
 February 10, 2018 11am - 9pm Downtown Festival Lawn
 68600 E. Palm Canyon Drive, Cathedral City

Presented by:
sunniva™

Sabor de Jalisco
 Cathedral City

FIREWORK FINALE
 9pm
 Presented by: **sunniva™**

Free Admission
 Admisión es Gratis

LIVE Entertainment
 Música en Vivo para Bailar

Free Parking
 Estacionamiento Gratis

Food / Comida
 Mariachi Limon de Javier Hernandez
 Vanessa "Damita" Martinez
 Zable Norteno
 Kid Zone / Zona Para Niños

Tequila Tasting / Patear Tequila
 Benjamin Flores
 The MYX
 Melodia Versatil
 Horse Show / Exhibición de caballos

3rd Annual Taste of Jalisco Festival

Live Music, Food, Tequila/beer, Fireworks Show, Kid Zone and Outdoor Market! for More Information, [Click Here.](http://www.TasteofJalisco.com)

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Mary Nutter Collegiate Classic

According to the organizers, the **Mary Nutter Collegiate Classic** is the nation's largest and most prestigious preseason college softball tourney, featuring 50 top Division I teams. For the third year in a row, the Cathedral City, Calif., event will span two weekends — Feb. 17-19 and Feb. 22-25, 2018...[Read more.](#)

4th Annual Cathedral City LGBT Days

The 4th Annual Cathedral City LGBT Days, presented by Volkswagen of Palm Springs, celebrates the lives, history, and wonderful accomplishments the LGBT community has contributed in making Cathedral City one of the “most livable” cities in America and a testament to its perfect equality score by the Human Rights Campaign Foundation. The festival provides an opportunity to recognize the strength in our diversity, appreciate our similarities, and stand united for the equal rights of all Americans. Don’t miss out on the infamous LGBT Days Bed Race[Read more.](#)



Easter Kidapalooza

Bring the kids to Cathedral City’s Town Square Park in downtown for an event that is all about Kids! From 12 (noon) to 3:00 pm, kids will enjoy the fun of multiple bouncy houses surrounding Cathedral City’s Fountain of Life area...[Read more.](#)

