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assistance as a poll worker is especially needed if you speak Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese or Spanish. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. for the March 10, 2015, and April 21, 2015, elections. All eligible residents are also encouraged to register to vote in order to participate in the upcoming elections. Contact the City Clerk's Office for more information or to obtain a voter registration form. Your vote is your voice. Make it count on Election Day 2015!

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Filing Period Closes Dec. 12 For City, School 2015 Elections

The official nomination period for candidates for the Pasadena City Council and the Pasadena Unified School District closes Friday, Dec. 12, 2014 according to the Notice of Election for the March 10, 2015 Primary Nominating Election for the City Council and the Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) issued by the City Clerk's Office.

Eligible Pasadena voters will cast their ballots next year to elect local representatives to four-year terms for Pasadena Mayor and City Council Districts 1, 2, 4 and 6 and for PUSD Board of Education members representing District Seats 2, 4 and 6.

For election information, visit www.cityofpasadena.net/cityclerk/election or call the City Clerk's Office at (626) 744-4124. The City's election web page will be updated regularly as candidates file nomination papers.

The City is in need of poll workers and accessible polling locations for the consolidated City and PUSD primary election on Tuesday, March 10, 2015, and for the general municipal election on Tuesday, April 21, 2015.

Poll workers and polling sites are critical components of the election process. Contact the City Clerk's office at (626) 744-4124 to sign up as a poll worker or to host a polling site. Your

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MAYOR'S HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

**Friday, December 5, 2014
 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

**City Hall Rotunda
 100 N. Garfield Ave.**

Join Mayor Bogaard to kick off the holiday season at Pasadena's free, festive family celebration.

Tree lighting at 6:00 p.m.

Refreshments & musical performances

Special appearance by Santa Claus

Photos at Santa's Village

Spark of Love Toy Drive for new, unwrapped toy donations



Noticias En Breve

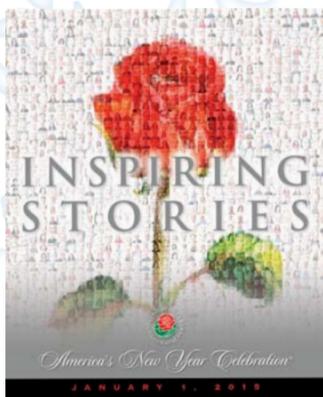
Consejos de Seguridad para la Ruta del Desfile

La Policía y los bomberos de Pasadena ofrecen estos recordatorios para todos los que asistirán al desfile.

- Solo es permitido acampar durante la noche del 31 de diciembre
- Los lugares en las aceras se pueden guardar a partir del mediodía del 31 de diciembre. El "Blue Line" es la línea de honor. Todas las personas y la propiedad deben permanecer en la acera hasta las 11p.m., del 31 de diciembre. A partir de ese momento, los espectadores pueden ponerse en la línea de honor.
- "Si usted ve algo, diga algo!" Informe de actividades y paquetes sospechosos a las autoridades de emergencia a lo largo de la ruta del desfile.
- En caso de emergencia, llame al (626) 744-4241 desde un celular o al 9-

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Rose Parade, Rose Bowl Game Info



Preparations are well underway and the excitement is building fast for Pasadena's 126th Rose Parade and the Rose Bowl Game to be held on January 1, 2015.

Pasadena becomes the focal point for the nation, and much of the world during this special time of year. A whirlwind of preparations and special activities lead up to the main events as staffs and hundreds of volunteers for the Tournament of Roses; the Rose Bowl Stadium, the City, float builders and many other affiliated organizations and businesses work in a highly efficient schedule. Much of the work includes behind-the-scenes tasks coordinated by the City and many others to ensure that these premier, international events—seen by hundreds of thousands in person and millions more around the world via TV—occur without a hitch.

Pedestrians and motorists are asked to use extra caution during this busy time of year as work crews put the finishing touches on the 5.5-mile parade route, the formation and post-parade areas. Watch for extra barricades; changes in signal lights, temporary parking restrictions and extra work vehicles in the streets. The City thanks all for their cooperation during this busy time.

Use the following links for the latest online info: www.cityofpasadena.net, www.tournamentofroses.com, www.rosebowlstadium.com, www.sharpseating.com and www.visitpasadena.com.

Don't forget that you can be part of the exciting history of the stadium itself by buying a special commemorative brick that will be part of the beautiful rose mosaic in front of the stadium. These once-in-a-lifetime bricks make the perfect holiday gift for all of the sports fans in your life.

Very affordable prices range from \$100 to \$425, with options for inscriptions and desk-top replicas for the ultimate sports fan package! Visit <http://rosebowlbricks.com/> for ordering details. Part of the brick sale proceeds will help preserve and protect the historic stadium for future generations.

The City of Pasadena and the Tournament of Roses wishes all a Happy Holiday Season. It is a special time of year for all of us. Please celebrate responsibly and with kindness. Always designate a driver.



Safety Tips For Parade Route

Pasadena Police & Fire Officials offer these reminders for all parade attendees.

- Overnight camping permitted only on night of Dec. 31.
- Sidewalk spots may be maintained beginning at Noon, Dec. 31. The "Blue Line" is the honor line. All persons & property must remain on curb until 11 p.m., Dec. 31. At that time, spectators may move out to honor line.
- "See Something, Say Something!" Report suspicious activities & packages to emergency authorities along the parade route or call (626) 744-4241. Life threatening emergencies call 9-1-1. Know your cross streets & location.
- Small, professionally made barbecues at least one foot off ground are allowed, but must be 25 feet away from buildings or other combustibles. Fire extinguisher & water must be on hand. NO bonfires or fireworks!
- Minors under 18 allowed on parade route only with adult supervision.
- Dress for cold weather.
- Open containers of alcohol are illegal in all public areas.
- Tents, sofas, boxes of any type, ladders & scaffolding are prohibited.
- It is illegal to buy, sell or give away horns on parade route.
- Keep pets safe at home!
- Throwing any projectile into the parade, or parade route, is prohibited.
- All illegally parked vehicles will be towed.

Visitor Hotline Opens Dec. 29

The City welcomes visitors for the 126th Tournament of Roses Parade and the College Playoff Semifinal/Rose Bowl Game on January 1, 2015 by offering a special Visitor Hotline.

The 31st Annual Visitor Hotline is staffed by trained community volunteers and is accessible by calling toll free to (877) 793-9911 during operating hours.

In addition, visitors should download the free, interactive "GoPasadena" app and like the Visitor Hotline on Facebook at facebook.com/pasadenavisitorhotline.

The toll-free Visitor Hotline (877) 793-9911 hours of operation (PST) are:

- Monday, Dec. 29, 8 a.m.–7 p.m.
- Tuesday, Dec. 30, 8 a.m.–4 p.m.
- Wednesday, Dec. 31, 8 a.m.–7 p.m.
- Thursday, Jan. 1, 8 a.m.–4 p.m.
- Friday, Jan. 2, 8 a.m.–4 p.m.

Local volunteers take note: Be part of the excitement by volunteering to answer questions from callers coming to the 2015 Rose Parade and Rose Bowl Game! The Pasadena Convention & Visitors Bureau needs you. Interested persons should contact Melissa Perez at (626) 795-4725 or mperez@visitpasadena.com.

Free Christmas Tree Recycling!



Make tree recycling a part of your post-holiday tradition. The Pasadena Department of Public Works offers an easy way for you to go green with your Christmas Tree. Thanks to your help, the City last year collected more than 10,000 trees for recycling, saving valuable landfill space and generating protective mulch.

Drop off your tree from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m., Friday, December 26, 2014 through Sunday, January 4, 2015 at: Eaton Blanche Park, 3100 E. Del Mar Blvd., parking lot on Millicent Way and Robinson Park, 1081 N. Fair Oaks Ave., parking lot on Morton Street.

From Jan. 2-17, 2015, residents can also place trees at curbside for recycling. Christmas trees will be collected on your normal service day. Remember, all ornaments, lights and stands must be removed. Flocked and fire retardant treated trees are acceptable. For more information, call Customer Service at (626) 744-7311 or online at www.cityofpasadena.net/publicworks.



- 1-1 desde un teléfono fijo. Conozca su ubicación y las calles que cruzan.
- Se permiten pequeños asadores profesionalmente fabricados por lo menos un pie del suelo, pero debe estar a 25 pies de distancia de cualquier edificio u otros materiales combustibles. Debe haber a la mano extinguidores de incendios y agua. NO fogatas o juegos artificiales!
- Se permiten a menores de 18 años en la ruta del desfile únicamente con supervisión de un adulto.
- Vístase apropiadamente para el clima frío.
- Los envases abiertos de alcohol son ilegales en todas las zonas públicas.
- Están prohibidas las tiendas de campaña, sofás, cajas de todo tipo, escaleras y andamios.
- Es ilegal comprar, vender o regalar cláxones/cornetas en la ruta del desfile.
- Mantenga a sus mascotas a salvo en su casa!
- Está prohibido tirar cualquier proyectil en el desfile, o ruta del desfile.
- serán remolcados Todos los vehículos estacionados ilegalmente .

Reciclaje Gratis del árbol de Navidad!

Haga el reciclar su árbol navideño parte de su tradición post-fiestas de fin de año. El Departamento de Obras Públicas de Pasadena ofrece una manera fácil para que usted sea ecológico con su árbol de navidad. Gracias a su ayuda, el año pasado la ciudad recolectó más de 10.000 árboles para reciclar, ahorrando valioso espacio en los vertederos y produciendo abono protector. Deje su árbol de 7:00 a.m - 2 p.m., desde el viernes 26 de diciembre de 2014 hasta el domingo 4 de enero 2015 en el:

- Parque Eaton Blanche , 3100 E. Del Mar Blvd., en el estacionamiento de Millicent Way
- Parque Robinson, 1081 N. Fair Oaks Ave., en el estacionamiento de la calle Morton

Del 2-17 de enero de 2015 los residentes también pueden dejar su árbol en su acera para reciclarlo. Los árboles de Navidad serán recogidos en su día normal de recolección de basura. Recuerde, todos los adornos, luces y base que soporte el arbol deben ser removidos. Se aceptan con nieve artificial y tratamiento antifuego. Para obtener más información, llame a Servicio al Cliente al (626) 744-7311 o en línea en www.cityofpasadena.net/publicworks

State of the City Jan. 15

Mark your calendars and be sure to join Mayor Bill Bogaard for his final State of the City address on Thursday, Jan. 15, at the historic Pasadena Playhouse, 39 S. El Molino Ave. This year's theme is "Rediscover Pasadena." Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the program begins at 7 p.m. More event details will appear in our next issue.

Union Station's Dinner-in-the-Park Tradition Continues



For 42 years, Union Station Homeless Services has hosted Holiday Dinners-in-the-Park on Thanksgiving and Christmas Day in Pasadena's Central Park.

These joyful community events provide thousands of holiday meals and hope for all who attend—including homeless men, women, children, seniors, very low-income families and those with no place to go during the holidays. Pasadena city officials will be on-hand to kick off the feasts and thousands of volunteers and community members will share a day of gratitude and community spirit.

To learn more about Dinners-in-the-Park, visit www.unionstationhs.org. Volunteer space is limited.



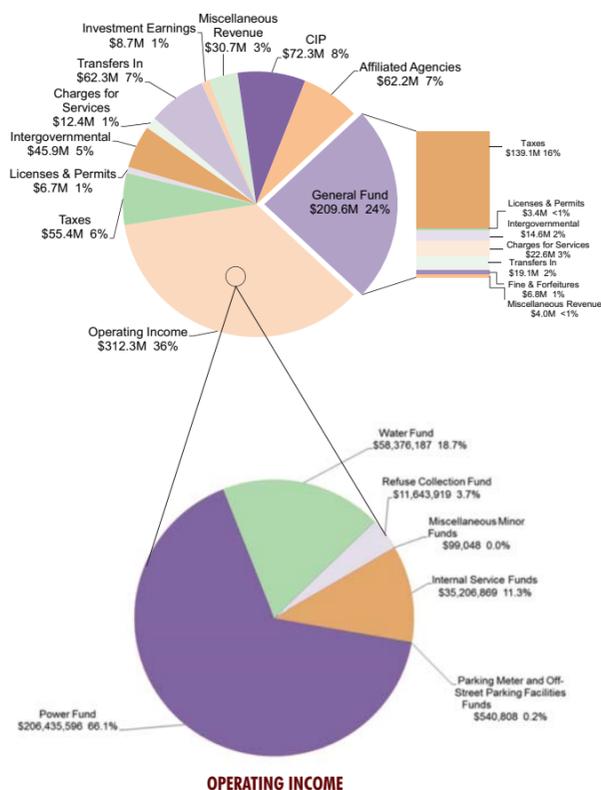
Holiday Events at the Public Library

- Allendale Holiday Literary Festival and Tree Lighting Saturday, Dec. 6, 4-6 p.m., Allendale Branch Library, 1130 S. Marengo Ave.
- Lamanda Park Holiday Tree Decorating Party Thursday, Dec. 11, 3:30 p.m., Lamanda Park Branch Library, 140 S. Altadena Drive.
- La Pintoresca Tree Lighting Friday, Dec. 12, 5 p.m., La Pintoresca Branch Library and Park, 1355 N. Raymond Ave.

Budget Details Explained

In the last issue of Pasadena in Focus, we presented pie charts that showed the large areas of both revenues and appropriations for the Fiscal Year 2015 Adopted Budget. The Revenues Chart, shown again, depicted broad categories of revenues, including the single largest source of money noted as "Operating Income." This month, we provide more specific details on "Operating Income" in the pie chart below. The "funds" are designated accounts where the money/revenue that comes into the City is held in order to determine revenue amounts. The money is kept in separate accounts as the use of these funds is restricted for specific purposes related to the operation of the municipal utility.

CHART 1: FY 2015 ADOPTED BUDGET - REVENUES BY CATEGORY



The Power Fund, the largest of all revenue funds, refers to the amount of money expected to be paid to the City from commercial and residential electric customers of Pasadena Water and Power. Likewise, the water and refuse funds represent income from customers for water and refuse collection.

Internal Service Funds represents the internal charges made by the City itself from and to various departments for the cost of internal services such as Information Technology (IT) services, building maintenance and operations and fleet (vehicle) services.

Give Five Minutes for a Future of Clean Energy



Hundreds of Pasadena power customers have already shared what's most important to them as PWP updates the City's 20-year Power Integrated Resource Plan (IRP), have you? The plan is a 20-year blueprint for providing reliable, environmentally friendly power at competitive rates.

Have your say before it's too late! Visit www.PWPweb.com/IRP to take a quick, five-minute survey. You can also find complete details, watch the 18-minute Energy Roadmap video and join the IRP mailing list to receive meeting announcements. Watch for details on the third and final community event this winter.



Cool Winter Savings, Right Outside your Door

Cooler weather makes for happy plants – and lower water bills! Save money in your own backyard with these tips from PWP:



- Now that Daylight Saving Time has ended, adjust your sprinkler timers to water before 9 a.m. or after 6 p.m.
- From Nov. 1 to March 31, Pasadena reverts to a one-day-per-week watering schedule. Pick Tuesday, Thursday or Saturday. Always shut off sprinklers during and after a rainstorm. A weather-based irrigation controller will do the job for you—and PWP offers rebates!
- Consider buying a rain barrel to capture free, plant-friendly rainwater. Find \$100 rebates at www.PWPweb.com/SaveWater.
- Consider replacing lawns with water-saving, California-friendly groundcover, shrubs or permeable paving and earn \$2 per square foot at www.PWPweb.com/TurfRemoval.
- Young trees also do well when planted in the fall. Earn a rebate of up to \$60 per tree with PWP's Cool Trees program, at www.PWPweb.com/CoolTrees.
- Cover planting beds with three to four inches of mulch, gravel or decorative rock to keep the soil moist.



Get the Dirt on Pasadena's New Power Plant

Construction crews are hard at work at the Glenarm Power Plant this month, removing obsolete equipment and tunnels below and above ground and compacting the soil to form a solid foundation for the new plant.



The goal is to replace an aging power generating unit with an efficient new 71-megawatt natural gas-fired combined cycle plant, dubbed GT5.

In addition to providing jobs and training for Pasadena residents, the multi-million dollar project is part of PWP's commitment to deliver reliable, environmentally responsible electric service at competitive rates for generations to come.

For more information, visit www.PWPweb.com/GT5. Email your power plant questions to wdeleon@cityofpasadena.net and you'll receive a free LED light bulb (limit one per household).

Progress Flows in the Arroyo

Deep inside the Arroyo Seco, volunteers are quietly nurturing a crop of young oaks, sycamores, cottonwoods and willows at the City's brand-new native plant nursery north of Oak Grove Park.

The nursery opening is the latest step in a multi-million dollar project, backed by PWP and the Arroyo Seco Foundation to maximize Pasadena's water supply, restore native habitat and improve recreational opportunities.

Funded by PWP and the California Integrated Regional Water Management Program Proposition 84, the project will rehabilitate an old stream intake structure to protect local fish and capture more mountain runoff. Spreading basins near JPL will be expanded to recharge Pasadena's groundwater and, higher into the foothills, old PWP equipment will be removed to restore the stream to its natural state. Watch for updates at www.arroyoseco.org.



Happy Holidays for Less Cash

Twinkling lights are a big part of the holidays, but they can really add to your power bill! Here's some tips to save money and still have a bright holiday display.



Use decorations with light emitting diodes (LED). They are virtually unbreakable and great for both outdoors and indoors, but they use up to 90 percent less energy and can last for 50,000 hours.

Unlike traditional lights, one bad bulb won't shut off an entire string. And LED lights pose virtually no fire hazard because they don't generate heat. For true cost savings, remember to replace old lights with LED models, instead of simply adding them to your displays.

Next, try a fiber optic tree that uses a low-wattage incandescent bulb to light small fibers on the ends of each branch. They come in a variety of colors, shapes and sizes.

Finally, plug your lights into a simple timer, and program them to shut off after hours. You'll sleep easier, knowing you're saving holiday cash.

And The 2015 One City, One Story Selection is ...???

Don't forget that books make a great holiday gift and what better book than the latest selection for the 2015 One City, One Story!

The winning title is announced in late November, giving reading fans plenty of time to prepare for the month-long series of One City, One Story events in March 2015, including a community dialog with the author on Thursday, March 12.

Pasadena's annual community reading celebration is designed to broaden and deepen an appreciation of reading and literature in the community, engage participants in dialogue and bring Pasadenans together by promoting greater understanding of differing points of view.

Thousands of people read the same book and participate in related events including a conversation with the author, film series, book discussion groups, exhibitions, lectures and other activities. The full calendar will be announced in the near future. For more information visit www.onecityonestory.com.

