CITY OF LAKE FOREST
DECEMBER 20, 1991

LAKE FOREST, CA Resource Guide

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About LAKE FOREST

Where Work and Life Come Together Naturally

Located in the heart of South Orange County, Lake Forest has the charm of a small community with the convenience of a large metropolitan city. Formerly known as El Toro, the City incorporated on December 20, 1991 and includes the master-planned communities of Foothill Ranch and Portola Hills.

Lake Forest is surrounded by natural attractions and offers beautiful communities set against the Saddleback Mountains. Careful planning has resulted in preservation of the City's rich heritage, revitalized commercial centers for shopping and business, and dedicated open space for recreation and relaxation.

With a budget philosophy that embodies fiscal responsibility and long-term sustainability, the City lives within its means and continues to make investments to improve the overall quality of life for the community.

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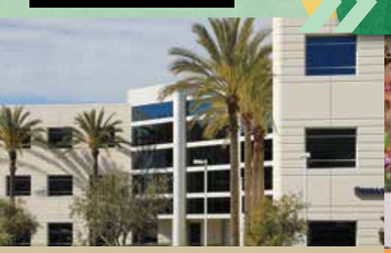

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Civic Center
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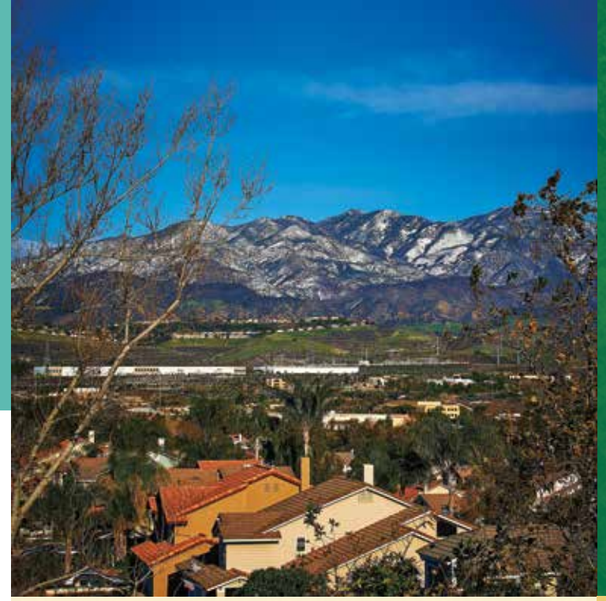
AskLakeForest.com

Government Phone Numbers

Building Division	(949) 461-3470
Building Inspection	(949) 461-3468
Business Registration and Resources	(949) 461-3567
City Clerk	(949) 461-3420
Clerk-Recorder (birth, marriage, death certificates)	(714) 834-2500
City Council	(949) 461-3420
City Manager's Office	(949) 461-3410
Code Enforcement	(949) 461-3474
Crime Prevention	(949) 461-3546
Department of Motor Vehicles	(800) 777-0133
Economic Development	(949) 461-3567
Etnies Skatepark of Lake Forest	(949) 916-5870
Graffiti Removal	(949) 461-3583
Housing	(949) 461-3569
Jobs	(949) 461-3418
Lake Forest Chamber of Commerce	(949) 583-9639
OC Animal Care	(949) 249-5160
Passport and Notary	(949) 461-3420
Planning	(949) 461-3491
Pollution Prevention	(877) 89-SPILL
Post Office	(949) 837-1976
Public Information Office	(949) 282-5214
Public Records	(949) 461-3420
Public Safety	(949) 461-3548
Public Works	(949) 461-3480
Recreation	(949) 461-3450
Registrar of Voters	(714) 567-7600
Social Security Administration	(800) 772-1213
Sports Park & Recreation Center	(949) 273-6960
Vector Control	(949) 654-2421



Electricity
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON
(800) 655-4555 / sce.com

Gas
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY
(800) 427-2200 / socalgas.com

Refuse and Recycling
CR&R WASTE AND RECYCLING SERVICES
(800) 826-9677 / crrwasteservices.com

Street Sweeping
ATHENS SERVICES
(888) 336-6100 / athensservices.com

Telephone, Television, & Internet
COX COMMUNICATIONS
27121 Towne Center Drive, Lake Forest
(866) 570-5486 / cox.com

AT&T
23842 El Toro Road, Lake Forest
(800) 221-3111 / att.com

Water and Sewer
EL TORO WATER DISTRICT
24251 Los Alisos Boulevard, Lake Forest
(949) 837-0660 / etwd.com

IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT
15600 Sand Canyon Avenue, Irvine
(949) 453-5300 / irwd.com

TRABUCO CANYON WATER DISTRICT
32003 Dove Canyon Drive, Trabuco Canyon
(949) 858-0277 / tcwd.ca.gov

Learn *in* LAKE FOREST

Libraries

El Toro Library
24672 Raymond Way
(949) 855-8173

Foothill Ranch Library
27002 Cabriole Way
(949) 855-8072

Schools

Saddleback Valley Unified School District
25631 Peter A. Hartman Way, Mission Viejo | (949) 586-1234

- 9 Elementary Schools (K–6)
- 1 Intermediate School
- 1 High School

Leadership Academy

Learn about local government operations through an interactive and informative eight-week program. Classes are held on Wednesday nights beginning in the fall. Sign up at (949) 461-3422.

Commitment *to* Safety

Neighborhood Watch
Join Neighborhood Watch to help reduce neighborhood crime and create a safer environment. If you're interested in forming or joining a Neighborhood Watch, call (949) 461-3546.

Vacation Home Checks
Police Services will physically check on the security of your home while you're away for up to one month (Monday through Friday). Only occupied homes are eligible. Request an application at (949) 770-6011.

Report Graffiti
The City promptly removes graffiti from the public right-of-way. Report graffiti at (949) 461-3583, email pwgraffiti@lakeforestca.gov or through Ask Lake Forest.

Get Safe Academy
Empower kids grades K-6 with this fun and interactive academy dedicated to educate and train kids in safety skills and awareness. Classes are typically offered twice a year and are advertised in the City's newsletter and website.

Community Emergency Preparedness Academy
Learn the basics of disaster preparedness and get certified in first aid/CPR and AED operations during this free six-week academy. Classes start in spring. Call (949) 461-3474 to be added to the interest list.

Passport/Notary Service
As an authorized U.S. Passport Acceptance facility, the City Clerk's Department can help obtain or renew U.S. passports (lakeforestca.gov/passports). Notary services are also available with a $10.00 fee per signature.

Shredding Services
Drop off confidential forms in secured bins at the Police Services counter. This free service is available to Lake Forest residents with proof of residency. Service hours are Monday through Thursday, and alternating Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Police, Fire, and Paramedic	911
Non-Emergency Dispatch	(949) 770-6011
AlertOC	(949) 461-3461
Orange County Fire Authority	(714) 573-6000

Fun *in* LAKE FOREST

Places *to* Play

Alton Park
18992 Alton Parkway

Baker Ranch Community Park
26380 Rancho Parkway

Barker Ranch Dog Park
26500 Baffin Bay Drive

Borrego Park
26982 Cabriole Drive

Borrego Overlook Park
21 Viaggio Lane

Cavanaugh Mini Park
23782 Cavanaugh Road

Cherry Park
22651 Cherry Avenue

Concourse Park
18931 Saddleback Ranch Road

Darrin Park
22461 Cherry Avenue

El Toro Park
23701 Los Alisos Boulevard

Etnies Skatepark of Lake Forest
20028 Lake Forest Drive

Foothill Ranch Community Park
19422 Rue De Valore

Heroes Park
25420 Jeronimo Road

Lake Forest Park
24000 Serrano Road

Lake Forest Sports Park/ Recreation Center
28000 Rancho Parkway

Montbury Park
21962 Montbury Drive

Mountain View Park
24061 Dylan Street

Nature Park
26215 Dimension Drive

Peachwood Park
21132 Peachwood

Pebble Creek Park
26441 Pebble Creek Road

Pittsford Park
21701 Pittsford Drive

Rancho Serrano Park
20842 Paseo Sombra

Ranchwood Park
22500 Killy Street

Regency Park
Regency Lane & Osterman Road

Rimgate Park
29772 Rimgate Drive

Serrano Creek Park
25101 Serrano Road

Sundowner Park
22041 Sundowners Lane

Tamarisk Park
22001 Tamarisk

Village Pond Park
23102 Ridge Route Drive

Vintage Park
21000 Vintage Street

Sports Park and Recreation Center

28000 Rancho Parkway / (949) 273-6960
LFsportspark.com

- 5 baseball/softball diamonds
- Activity and meeting rooms
- Gym with an indoor volleyball and basketball court
- 2 synthetic turf soccer fields
- 2 outdoor basketball courts
- 8 picnic shelters
- 2 children's tot lots
- Pet-friendly park (Dogs must be on a leash)
- Free Wi-Fi
- Computer lab offers 16 computers and is open Monday through Friday (hours vary)

Lake Forest Golf and Practice Center

23308 Cherry Avenue / (949) 859-1455

- 9-hole executive par 29 course that offers a perfect venue for beginner golfers to seasoned players

"Each activity offers its own special touch to make life more enjoyable.
—NECTAR THE HUMMINGBIRD, CITY MASCOT

Shop & Dine Lake Forest Week celebrates the diversity of Lake Forest businesses as residents explore local restaurants and retail shops highlighted in the Shop & Dine Coupon Booklet. Starting in Fall, the week-long event kicks off with a fun-filled day of family entertainment and wraps with The Taste of Lake Forest. More at ShopandDineLakeForest.com.

Annual EVENTS

JANUARY
SnowFest

Grab your sleds and saucers and hit the snow-laden slopes at Mount Pittsford. Kids can play in the snow, jump around in bounce houses, or take pictures with Nectar and friends.

MARCH
Bunny Blast

A springtime favorite, collect eggs filled with treats, stop by the petting zoo, and ride the giant Ferris wheel. Bring your camera to take pictures with Nectar, Hoppy the Spring Bunny, and their Alice in Wonderland friends.

JULY
Fourth of July Parade

Grab a seat and enjoy the Fourth of July Parade as floats and fancy cars decked out in red, white, and blue come strolling down Toledo Way all the way to Serrano Road.

OCTOBER
Autumn Harvest Festival and Haunt at Heritage Hill

Heritage Hill Historical Park is transformed to a fun festival for young children with trick-or-treat stations, storytelling, a movie screening, and much more. One week later, the park is transformed into a haunted adventure for kids 12 years and older.

For a complete list of special events, programs, and activities, visit the *Leisure Times* at *lakeforestca.gov/publications*.

Senior Scene Clubhouse

25550 Commercentre Drive
(949) 461-3450

The Senior Scene Clubhouse is a place where seniors can meet new friends and create lasting memories. This free "drop-in" program offers BINGO, wellness lectures, exercises classes, hot meal Thursdays, a book club, and much more. The Senior Mobility Program offers door-to-door transportation service to get seniors to the Clubhouse for 50¢ to $1 a trip.

Etnies Skatepark of Lake Forest

20028 Lake Forest Drive
(949) 916-5870

With over 60,000 visitors each year, spend an exhilarating day at the award winning, world class Skatepark whether skateboarding on one of its ramps, handrails, and bowls or getting a private lesson. The park also offers summer camps, movie screenings, and birthday party package deals! Etnies Skatepark is open to the public 7 days a week.

Remember *the* past Challenge *the* future

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LAKE FOREST CITY HALL
25550 Commercentre Drive
(949) 461-3400
Hours of Operation:
Mon–Thu: 8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Fri: 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Closed Alternate Fridays

SPORTS PARK & RECREATION CENTER
28000 Rancho Parkway
(949) 273-6960
Hours of Operation:
Mon–Sat: 8:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.
Sun: 10:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

ETNIES SKATEPARK OF LAKE FOREST
20028 Lake Forest Drive
(949) 916-5870
Hours of Operation:
Summer Hours (June 1 to August 31)
Mon–Sun: 10:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.
Fall/Winter/Spring Hours
Mon–Thu: 11:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.
Fri: 11:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.
Sat: 10:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.
Sun: 10:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
- City Council and Commission meetings are held at City Hall at 7:00 p.m.
- City Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday of every month.
- Parks and Recreation Commission meetings are held on the third Thursday of every month.
- Planning Commission meetings are held on the second Thursday of every month.
- Agendas found at lakeforestca.gov/agendas.