



# CITY OF DUBLIN

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### **CITY OF DUBLIN TO CELEBRATE “DUBLIN PRIDE WEEK,” APRIL 20 – APRIL 27**

***2024 Theme is “Green City, Bright Future”***

**DUBLIN, Calif., April 4, 2024** – Dublin Pride Week, the City of Dublin’s annual week-long series of events promoting volunteerism and environmental awareness, will be held Saturday, April 20, through Saturday, April 27, 2024. The theme of this year’s Dublin Pride Week is, “Green City, Bright Future.” Along with a large Volunteer Day that combines the efforts of several hundred resident volunteers to complete beautification projects around the city, several other planned events and activities will take place to promote environmental stewardship. Residents and groups interested in volunteering can visit the Dublin Pride Week website at [www.dublinprideweek.com](http://www.dublinprideweek.com) or call (925) 556-4500. Volunteers who help on Volunteer Day will receive a complimentary day pass to The Wave Waterpark valid for the 2024 Season.

#### **Dublin Pride Week Activities:**

**Volunteer Day:** Dublin residents are encouraged to give back to the community by pitching in to help clean up Dublin parks, trails, and schools. The event will take place on **Saturday, April 20, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** All ages are welcome to participate, but safety guidelines require that anyone under the age of 15 must be accompanied by an adult. Volunteers will meet at the Emerald Glen Park Amphitheater for a light breakfast and a kick-off rally. Volunteers do not need to bring tools, but are encouraged to bring water, sunscreen, and

work gloves, and wear close-toed shoes. After the clean-up activities, volunteers will return to Emerald Glen Park for a community barbecue provided by Dublin Rotary. Volunteers may register at [Eventbrite](#) or learn more at [www.dublinprideweek.com](http://www.dublinprideweek.com).

## **Volunteer Day Activities**

- **Creek and Trail Cleanups:**
  - Walking multiple sections of creeks and trails at various locations throughout Dublin to ensure that they are free of litter and debris.
- **City Park and Facility Beautification Projects:**
  - Collecting litter
  - Planting trees and plants
  - Spreading decomposed granite on pathways, sand in playgrounds, and mulch around planted areas
  - Weeding planted areas
- **Dublin Unified School District Projects:**
  - Planting drought-resistant plants, shrubs, and trees, and spreading mulch around planted areas
- **Drought-Tolerant Garden Creation:**
  - Join the City of Dublin and Zone 7 Water Agency to help transform parts of Emerald Glen Park into a low-water garden.
- **Volunteer Resource Fair, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Emerald Glen Park:** Attendees will learn how to give back to local organizations in the community and find resources to help them create more eco-friendly homes. Visit [www.dublinprideweek.com](http://www.dublinprideweek.com) for the list of participating organizations and activities.

## **Other Dublin Pride 2024 Events and Activities**

**Care Package and Food Bank Supply Drive** – In partnership with CityServe of the Tri-Valley and the Childrens Emergency Food Bank, the City of Dublin will accept food and care-package supply donations. Residents are encouraged to donate [needed food items](#) and [care-package items](#) for community members in need. Collection receptacles will be placed at the following City of Dublin facilities throughout Dublin Pride Week:

- Dublin Library (200 Civic Plaza)
- Dublin Civic Center (100 Civic Plaza)

- Shannon Community Center (11600 Shannon Avenue)
- Dublin Senior Center (7600 Amador Valley Blvd.)
- Public Safety Complex (6361 Clark Avenue)

**Compost Giveaway** - Amador Valley Industries will hold its annual Compost Giveaway event at Emerald Glen Park on **Saturday, April 20, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**, or while supplies last. Dublin residents can take home one bag of FREE compost on Dublin Pride Volunteer Day. The compost is made from Dublin residents' yard trimmings and food scraps. This is a great way to see the cycle of Dublin's food waste and how it directly benefits the community. This is a drive-through event in the parking lot of Emerald Glen Park, off Gleason Drive. Limit one bag per household; ID or proof of residency is required.

**Household Hazardous Waste Collection** - The Household Hazardous Waste Collection event will be held on **Saturday, April 27**, at Zeiss Innovation Center (5300 Central Parkway). Drop off is **by appointment only from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.** More information can be found at [www.dublinprideweek.com](http://www.dublinprideweek.com).

**4<sup>th</sup> Annual Plogging Challenge** – The Plogging Challenge provides the community with a fun activity that allows participants to exercise while also cleaning up the city. This activity entails jogging or walking throughout town and making quick stops to pick up trash along the way. The challenge helps to raise awareness about storm-water pollution, while also giving residents the opportunity to act by cleaning up litter from our neighborhoods, parks, trails, and streams. All registered participants will receive a complimentary Plog-n-Go kit, which can be picked up on Saturday, April 20, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., at Emerald Glen Park. To be eligible to win a Plogging prize pack, participants must register at [DublinRecGuide.com](http://DublinRecGuide.com).

**National Prescription Drug Take Back Event – Saturday, April 20, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., 100 Civic Plaza** - Hosted by Dublin Police Services, this event allows residents to drop off unwanted pharmaceuticals such as prescription pills, tablets, capsules, and other solid forms of prescription drugs, no questions asked. Intravenous solutions, injectables, and syringes will not be accepted. Document shredding and e-waste services will also be available.

**Poster and Essay Contest** - The annual Dublin Pride Week Poster Contest is open to all K-12 students in Dublin. This contest is a project of the Dublin Pride Week Committee and the General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) Dublin/San Ramon chapter. All Dublin students in grades K-12 are encouraged to participate. Students will drop off submissions with their teachers, and entries will be picked up for judging by members of the Women's Club. Entries may also be delivered to the Dublin Civic Center (100 Civic Plaza). All

submissions must be turned in by **April 10, 2024**. Visit [www.dublinprideweek.com](http://www.dublinprideweek.com) to learn more. The topic of both contests mirrors the overall theme, “Green City, Bright Future!”

**“Nature in Our Backyard” Photography Contest** – Earlier this year, the City of Dublin invited photographers to show their love of the Dublin community by participating in the annual “Nature in Our Backyard” photography contest. Participants could submit their creek, wildlife, and natural park photographs taken of a Dublin, California, location. Photography could include any wildlife or nature setting, but photographs including humans would not be accepted. Photos must have been taken within the past year (April 2023 through April 1, 2024). Photographers do not need to be Dublin residents. The public will have an opportunity to select the contest winners during Dublin Pride Week via an online survey at [www.dublin.ca.gov/opencityhall](http://www.dublin.ca.gov/opencityhall).

Dublin residents looking to keep the city clean and green all year long can register to become a member of the “People of the Parks” (P.O.P.) program. This incentivized volunteer program enables residents, businesses, organizations, and visitors to join us in keeping the City of Dublin clean and green, year-round. For more information, visit <https://www.dublin.ca.gov/pop>.

For more information on any of the Dublin Pride events, visit our website at [www.dublinprideweek.com](http://www.dublinprideweek.com), or contact Lauren Marriott at (925) 556-4500.

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