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### **CITY OF DUBLIN SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR ITS 2017 “DUBLIN PRIDE WEEK” CELEBRATION, APRIL 29 - MAY 6**

**DUBLIN, Calif., April 12, 2017** – The City of Dublin is seeking volunteers to assist with multiple activities planned for this year’s Dublin Pride Week, April 29 through May 6, 2017. The theme this year is “Celebrate Dublin, Our Emerald City,” in honor of the City’s 35<sup>th</sup> “Emerald” anniversary. Dublin Pride Week seeks to demonstrate ways in which individuals or groups can act to improve our community, and work to improve the world, through volunteerism and environmental awareness.

In 2016, over 750 volunteers assisted on projects throughout the Dublin community, from helping seniors with household maintenance and yard work to elementary, middle, and high school beautification projects, including painting and landscape work. Additionally, volunteers participated in a number of parks and non-profit clean-up projects around the City.

“Dublin residents are very committed to their city,” says Dublin Mayor David Haubert. “They always come out in great numbers during Dublin Pride Week to better our community by working at parks, schools, and for our seniors. In doing so, we all strive to make an impact environmentally and socially.”

The program encourages youth participation and hosts an annual poster and essay contest to engage youth in the event. This year’s essay contest theme is identifying actions residents can take in the next 35 years to reduce our impact on the environment. The 2017 poster contest theme is “Celebrate Dublin, Our Emerald City.”

Several community groups, faith-based groups, and service organizations will assist in providing volunteers and support for the event. Those interested in volunteering can visit the Dublin Pride Week website at [www.dublinprideweek.com](http://www.dublinprideweek.com) or call (925) 833-6630.

## **2017 Events and Activities**

The following events and activities will take place throughout Dublin Pride Week:

- **“Volunteer Day”** – Saturday, April 29, 8:00 a.m. – noon. Volunteers are needed to help with senior assistance, school beautification, parks beautification, and creek cleanup projects. A light breakfast will be served, and volunteers will be invited to a barbecue at Emerald Glen Park following all volunteer activities from noon – 1:00 p.m.
- **Volunteer Day Food Drive** on April 29 at Emerald Glen Park, 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., and at Safeway stores and Sprouts in Dublin, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- **Volunteer Fair** – Saturday, April 29, 8:00 a.m. to noon, on the basketball courts at Emerald Glen Park. Learn about year-round volunteer opportunities in the Tri-Valley.
- **Drug Take-Back, E-Waste Recycling & Document Shredding Event** – Saturday, April 29, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., 100 Civic Plaza. Residents are invited to dispose of unwanted pharmaceuticals, recycle e-waste, and shred documents containing sensitive information.
- **Dublin Pride Poster & Essay Contest** for students, grades K-12. The theme this year is environmental impact reduction during the next 35 years (essay contest) and “Celebrate Dublin, Your Emerald City” (poster contest). Prizes include gift certificates and City Council recognition.
- **Free Home Energy Workshop** - Wednesday, May 3, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., 100 Civic Plaza, Regional Meeting Room. Learn about the Home Energy Score, a rating system which rates your home’s energy efficiency; and the Home Upgrade Program, which provides rebates for energy-efficient upgrades. Reserve your spot at [trivalleygreenhome.eventbrite.com](http://trivalleygreenhome.eventbrite.com).
- **Free Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection and Compost Giveaway Day**, Saturday, May 6. To schedule an appointment, residents can call 925-557-1091 or email [psc-appointments@answerquick.com](mailto:psc-appointments@answerquick.com).
- **Screening of *Dirt! The Movie*** – Saturday, May 6, noon – 5:00 p.m., Dublin Heritage Park and Museum, 6600 Donlon Way, Old St. Raymond Church. *Dirt! The Movie* is a documentary directed by Gene Rosow and Bill Benson and narrated by Jamie Lee Curtis. This fascinating film brings to life the environmental, economic, social, and political impact that soil has worldwide. *Dirt! The Movie* will be played on loop in the church as part of Dublin’s Spring Fair on the Farm. Information about how you can build healthy soil in your backyard will be available.

For more information on any of the Dublin Pride events, visit [www.dublinprideweek.com](http://www.dublinprideweek.com).