



# CITY OF DUBLIN

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### **CITY OF DUBLIN SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR THIS YEAR'S "DUBLIN PRIDE WEEK" CELEBRATION - APRIL 27 THROUGH MAY 5** *New This Year: A Community-wide Photography Contest*

**DUBLIN, Calif., April 3, 2019** – Dublin Pride Week, the City of Dublin's annual week-long series of events, which promotes volunteerism and environmental awareness, will be held Saturday, April 27, through Sunday, May 5. The theme of this year's Dublin Pride Week, "Dublin Makes a Difference," seeks to demonstrate ways in which individuals or groups can improve the community and the world through even the smallest of positive acts. New this year is a Nature Photography Contest and a Lawn-to-Garden Party, where residents can learn how to convert a lawn into a garden.

Volunteers are needed to assist with multiple service projects planned for Volunteer Day on Saturday, April 27. In 2018, hundreds of volunteers assisted on projects throughout the community, ranging from helping seniors with household maintenance and yard work, to school and park beautification projects. Additionally, residents donated much-needed food to local food banks.

The program encourages youth participation and hosts an annual poster and essay contest to engage youth in the event.

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

### **2019 Events and Activities**

The following events and activities will be occurring this year throughout Dublin Pride Week:

**Volunteer Day – Saturday, April 27, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** Volunteers are needed to help with senior assistance; non-profit support; school and park beautification; and creek clean-up projects. Volunteers will meet at the Emerald Glen Park basketball courts for a light breakfast and to receive their volunteer assignments. They'll return to Emerald Glen Park at noon for lunch, provided by the Dublin Lions Club. Register at [www.dublinprideweek.com](http://www.dublinprideweek.com).

**Food Drive – Saturday, April 27, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** Food will be collected at Volunteer Day and at both Safeway stores in Dublin. The donations will be presented to food banks that service the Dublin community, including the Children's Emergency Food Bank.

**Volunteer Fair – Saturday, April 27, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.,** Emerald Glen Park basketball courts. Learn about year-round volunteer opportunities in the Tri-Valley.

**Drug Take Back, E-Waste Recycling, Document Shredding – Saturday, April 27, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.,** 100 Civic Plaza. Residents are invited to recycle unwanted pharmaceuticals and e-waste, and shred documents containing sensitive information. Hosted by Dublin Police Services.

**Fix-it Clinic - Sunday, April 28, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.,** Dublin Library Community Room, 200 Civic Plaza. Learn how to fix that broken item that sits in the corner of your garage. The fix-it clinic will be staffed by volunteer coaches who will help you actively participate in the disassembly, troubleshooting, and repair of your item so that you leave fully empowered to share your new-found confidence and insight with your friends, neighbors, and the community at large. Tools provided.

**Bicycle Commuting Lunch and Learn - Tuesday, April 30, noon to 1:00 p.m.,** Civic Center Regional Meeting Room, 100 Civic Plaza. Learn the basics of bicycle commuting over lunch. Lunch will be provided for those who register at <https://bikeeastbay.org/1Hr>.

**Home Energy Fair/Workshop – Saturday, May 4, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.,** Dublin Library Community Room, 200 Civic Plaza. This is a one-stop shop to get help on reducing your residential energy use, for free! Learn more about EBCE; solar options; energy-efficiency upgrades and rebates; and more. Reserve your spot at <https://www.dublinprideweek.com>.

**Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection and Compost Giveaway Day – Saturday, May 4.** A detailed flyer of the event will be mailed to all single-family dwellings in April.

**Poster and Essay Contest –** Participants (K-12 students) receive a certificate; winners receive gift cards and City Council recognition. Winning posters and essays will be displayed in the Dublin Civic Center during the month of May. The 2019 theme is "Dublin Makes a Difference."

**Lawn-to-Garden Party – New this year! – Sunday, May 5, 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Not like any other lawn party – this one gives residents an opportunity to help convert a lawn into a garden using sheet mulch, all in one day! StopWaste staff, Bay-Friendly Qualified Landscape Professionals, and sheet mulch educators will all be on hand to provide guidance. Information on the registration and location to be announced.

**Photography Contest – New this year! – “Nature in Our Backyard”**

The City of Dublin invites photographers to show their love of the Dublin community by participating in the new “Nature in Our Backyard” photography contest. Participants can submit their creek, wildlife, and natural park photographs taken of a Dublin, California, location. Location of photograph must be included in the application. Photography can include any wildlife or nature setting, but photographs including humans will be rejected. Deadline to submit pictures is no later than midnight on Sunday, April 28, 2019. Photos must have been taken within the last 12 months (no earlier than April 1, 2018). Photographer does not need to be a Dublin resident.

For more information on any of the Dublin Pride events, visit our website at [www.dublinprideweek.com](http://www.dublinprideweek.com), or contact Anna Fessler at (925) 833-6630.

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