

### Proud to Serve the Los Altos Community

# April is Earthquake Preparedness Month!



Now is a great time to take a few moments to consider the safety of your family, pets and neighbors in the event of an earthquake. Here are four quick steps you can take today to be better prepared and avoid injury:

- 1. Ensure every family member has a pair of shoes and a working flashlight next to their bed.
- 2. Remove or secure wall hangings and furniture located above the sleeping space of each family member and pet.
- 3. Create or update your family communication plan to stay in touch when phones don't work. For a template visit losaltosca.gov/communicationplan.
- 4. Make (or update) a "Go Bag" with basic supplies, important papers, and communication devices. For a list of what to include, visit losaltosca.gov/ gobag.

#### **More Information**

Learn how to prepare to be self-reliant in the first 72 hours following a disaster – register for a complimentary Personal Emergency Preparedness class scheduled for May 9, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at Hillview Community Center: losaltosca.gov/PEP.

In Los Altos, neighbors help neighbors with emergency preparedness and response through the Los Altos Block Action Team, Community Emergency Response Team, and Los Altos Amateur Radio Emergency Service. Get more information at losaltosca.gov/emergencyprep.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### **FIRST FRIDAYS**

When: Every 1st Friday starting April 6th, 6-8pm Where: Downtown Los Altos

#### **FARMERS MARKET**

When: Every Thursday from May 3rd-Sept 27th, 4-8pm Where: State Street between 2nd & 4th

#### MOTHER'S DAY WINE WALK

When: Friday May 11th 5-8pm Where: Downtown Los Altos Tickets available through Eventbrite.com



#### Home Composting Workshops

Learn how to compost! Call 408-918-4640 for more information or visit https://www.sccgov.org/ sites/rwr/Pages/rwr.aspx

## **OIL JUGS**

Are you changing the oil in your automobile? Contact Mission Trail & we will provide one-gallon used oil containers and heavy duty zip-locks bags for used oil filters. You can also use any plastic container that has a screw top cap.



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# Cleanup/Bulky Item Collection Program. Got extra?

Once every 6 months, at no charge, residents of single-family homes can schedule the collection of up to 4 cubic yards of garbage and 3 large items. Ready to schedule your free On-Call Cleanup? Access your account or contact us today. We'll send you a confirmation notice along with a list of collection guidelines. Please contact us as far in advance as possible. Appointments are scheduled in the order received.

#### Here's how it works:

Prior to your scheduled cleanup day, two 4'x4'x4' bags will be delivered. Each bag will hold up to 2 cubic yards of garbage. Place the bags in the street curbside when you're ready to start filling them. When full, they may be too heavy to move out for collection. Fill the bags with miscellaneous items. Commonly disposed of items include: books, magazines, toys, clothing, exercise equipment, housewares, packaging materials (styrofoam blocks, large boxes), treated wood & yard trimmings. Next to the bags, you may put out up to three bulky items. Common bulky items include mattresses, sofas, dishwashers, water heaters and similar furnishings and appliances. Note: there is a charge to dispose of an item containing Freon. Also, refrigerator/freezer doors must be removed or taped/strapped shut when set out for collection. Instead of one bulky item, you may put out an e-waste item like a TV, computer monitor, printer, fax machine or VCR. Using a special flatbed truck, Mission Trail will return on your next service day to remove the bags and bulky items. Your two bags and bulky items will be collected in one trip on your scheduled collection day. Everything must be ready prior to 6am. Charges may apply for rescheduling or if multiple collection trips are requested.