

SUSTAINABLE LIVING

Sustainable Living Events Calendar

For more information visit www.greenerelcerrito.org or call the Operations + Environmental Services Division at (510) 215-4350.

Recycling Center Tours

First Wednesday of each Month 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Public tours of the City of El Cerrito Recycling and Environmental Resource Center – come learn about what the Center has to offer and how to recycle more! As of July 1st 2014, private tours are subject to fees. Please call (510) 215-4350 for more information.

Baxter Creek Work Party

First Saturday of each Month 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Join other volunteers and City staff in removing invasive species and restoring native habitat in this El Cerrito jewel. For more information email spree@ci.el-cerrito.ca.us or call (510) 215-4333.

Solid Waste Collection Holiday Schedule

The El Cerrito Recycling and Environmental Resource Center and East Bay Sanitary offices will be closed for business on September 1, November 11, November 27 & 28, December 24 and 25, and January 1. Curbside collection of Recycling, Green Waste, and Garbage will occur as normally scheduled on these dates, except for December 25 and January 1 – collection for those days and all subsequent days those same weeks will occur one day later than normal.

Compost Giveaway Event

September 29 thru October 5 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
All week long, El Cerrito Residents with proof of residency can get up to 5 cubic feet (33 gallons) of compost made from yard waste and food scraps! Just enter the main circle and look for the “compost” signs. Questions? Call (510) 215-4350.

Citywide Garage Sale

October 11 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Keep waste out of the landfill while shopping for great deals and getting to know your El Cerrito community. See the registration form on page [see page 24] of this brochure for more details.



ELECTIONS NOV. 4



Measure R Extension

Funding Measure to Maintain Local Control Over Funding for City Services

Although the economy is beginning to recover from the recession, the City is still facing a variety of fiscal and service delivery challenges, including the historical effects of Sacramento takeaways. In fact, El Cerrito has continued to lose over \$1 million to the State each year over the past ten years, local funds taken by the State to address its own budget deficits.

After receiving feedback from the community, the City Council decided to place an extension of Measure R at the one-cent sales tax rate on the November 2014 ballot to continue to address these critical needs. Measure R was previously approved by local voters four years ago. If extended at the one cent rate for 12 years (until 2027) this funding would stay in El Cerrito and only be used to maintain vital city services, giving El Cerrito local control over local funds for local needs.

Visit www.el-cerrito.org to learn more about the City's finances and how the City plans to meet these needs. If you have any questions, you may also call the City Manager's Office at 215-4318.

Your opinion counts! Make sure you vote in the Tuesday, November 4, 2014 Election

Voters in the City of El Cerrito are encouraged to review all official ballot documents regarding this issue, prior to casting your vote on November 4, 2014.

If you have moved, changed your name or changed your political party affiliation, you will need to re-register to vote. The last day to register to vote in November 2014 election is October 20, 2014. Voter registration forms are available from the Contra Costa County Election Department, City Hall, Post Offices, and the Department of Motor Vehicles.

Questions regarding voter registration or absentee ballots should also be directed to the County Election Department in Martinez at (925) 335-7800 or visit www.cocovote.us for information.

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