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Fremont Police Spring 2020 Community Academy Recruitment is Now Open

Applications due Friday, January 17, 2020

The Spring 2020 Community Police Academy will meet once a week from February 11, 2020 through April 7, 2020. Classes will be on Tuesday nights from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., and on one Saturday at the Police Range. For more information and to submit your application, visit www.fremontpolice.gov/CommunityAcademy. Applications are due Friday, January 17, 2020.



The academy is an educational experience taught primarily in a classroom setting, and offers a transparent overview into the department's structure, services, and personnel. Classes are lecture based with some role-playing exercises. Academy participants are not expected to perform actual police officer duties and may elect to abstain from any of the practical exercises.

Participants will learn about communications, social media, crime prevention, critical incidents, firearms training, K-9, hiring process, narcotics, traffic enforcement, SWAT, investigation, and crime scene investigation.

The Police Department will coordinate Livescan appointments for all applicants. Applicants will be notified of the process after submitting an application. Applicants must live or work in the City of Fremont, but do not need to be a U.S. citizen. Participants in the Community Police Academy are granted access to restricted law enforcement facilities. Consequently, the Fremont Police Department maintains the right to disqualify any applicant without notification of cause. Applicants will undergo a background check, to include digital fingerprinting (LiveScan) and a records check, at no cost to the applicant. Applicants previously convicted of a felony will be disqualified. Misdemeanor convictions will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

City of Fremont Launches New Universal Planning Application

New application makes it easier for applicants to obtain their planning permits

The City of Fremont Planning Division has announced a new Universal Planning Application. The new application combines all of the necessary forms and submittal requirements for planning permits into one simple, concise, and user-friendly document.



New features of the Universal Planning Application include:

- A comprehensive list of application submittal requirements for all planning application types
- A sheet-by-sheet breakdown of which plan set pages are required for each type of design review or entitlement submittal
- Updated submittal format requirements, with an emphasis on electronic plans
- Updated links to helpful resources and application components

The City hopes that the new application will make applying for planning permits more convenient and accessible, regardless of the application type.

The Universal Planning Application is available online at www.Fremont.gov/PlanningPermits or at the Development Services Center, located at 39550 Liberty St. in Fremont. The Center is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Friday. The Planning Division will continue to accept submissions using the previous Planning Application form, although applicants should note that all applications will be deemed complete or incomplete based on the submittal requirements checklist found in the Universal Planning Application.

For more information, please visit www.Fremont.gov/PlanningPermits or call the City's Zoning Information Line at 510-494-4455.

CleanStart Mobile Hygiene Unit Serves Over 200 Individuals in 2019

Last year the City of Fremont, City of Newark, and several community partners developed the CleanStart Mobile Hygiene Program to provide much-needed shower and laundry services to homeless community members. The CleanStart program launched on September 16, 2019 and within the first three months of service, the program helped 219 individuals, washed 456 loads of laundry, and provided 596 showers.



The program is available at four sites throughout Fremont and Newark. In addition to shower and laundry services, participants are provided access to clothing donations, hygiene kits, and cold weather gear. The Fremont volunteer community has embraced the CleanStart program by not only providing direct volunteer hours at service sites, but also setting up auxiliary services around the program such as clothing mending and haircuts.

For more information about the CleanStart program including the schedule of services visit www.Fremont.gov/CleanStart.

13th Annual Fremont Senior Center Crab Feed

It's that time of year again! The Fremont Senior Center invites you to the 13th Annual Crab Feed—its major fundraiser each year. Funds raised from this event go to support the Fremont Senior Center's nutritious affordable meals cooked at the center by a culinary trained chef. Enjoy a dinner on Friday, February 21 and support the Fremont Senior Center while you're at it. The menu will include all you can eat fresh local crab, pasta, salad, garlic bread, coffee, and dessert. Wine and beer may also be purchased at the event; no outside alcohol is permitted. There will also be live music and raffle prizes. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 6 p.m. The crab feed will be held at the Fremont Retirement Community at 2860 Country Dr. Tickets are \$55 per person and can be purchased at the Fremont Senior Center, located at 40086 Paseo Padre Pkwy., from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. You can also purchase them via email using a credit card.



If you have any questions, please call the Fremont Senior Center at 510-790-6600; or contact Senior Center Manager Aisha Jasper at 510-790-6606 or ajasper@fremont.gov or Senior Center Coordinator Nick Jordan at 510-790-6602 or njordan@fremont.gov.

We hope to see you at this fun event, so get your tickets today! If you'd like to support the event yet can't attend, please consider making a donation at www.Fremont.gov/HSDonate.

Tips to Prevent Recycling Contamination

Recycling contamination could damage recycling equipment, pose a safety hazard to recycling workers, reduce the value of recyclables, or disqualify recyclables from being recycled altogether. Here are some recycling best practices to keep in mind:

1. Keep it simple. Focus on the basics: glass and plastic bottles and containers, metal food and beverage cans, paper, and cardboard.
2. Keep plastic bags and plastic wrap out of the recycling cart. Your recyclables must be loose—do not bag them! Recycle your plastic bags at your local grocery or retail store if they accept them.
3. Know what doesn't belong in your recycling cart including plastic bags, clothing, food waste, yard waste, electronics, and hazardous materials.
4. As a general rule of thumb, if it seems like it could get tangled (think garden hoses, wire hangers, strings of lights, etc.,) it shouldn't be recycled.
5. Make sure your recyclables are clean and dry! Rinse bottles and containers before putting them in the cart as food residue or water can ruin perfectly good paper and cardboard.
6. When in doubt, throw it out. If you question whether something can be recycled, don't place it in your blue cart.



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