



December 2023 Newsletter

be our guest



Join us at the Helendale Community Center Monday through Friday from 11:30 – 12:30. **ALL ARE WELCOME**

The program serves delicious and nutritious meals that meet USDA dietary guidelines. The group lunch setting gives guests the opportunity to socialize with others and enjoy a meal together. A voluntary \$4 donation is suggested for anyone over 60, for people under 60 lunch is \$7.50.

Menus available at www.helendalecsd.org



Don't throw those scraps in the trash!

Bring your holiday food scraps to the Community Food Waste Drop Off Located at the North End of the Community Center Parking Lot – available 24 hours a day.



Farmers Market Closures

The Farmers Market will be open December 6th, 13th and 20th. Santa will be at the market on December 6th and 20th.

Starting in January, the Helendale Farmers Market will be taking a short break. We will be closed January through the end of March. The market will reopen on Wednesday, March 27th with our pictures with the Easter Bunny and our easter egg hunt!

Helendale Youth Basketball

There is still time to register for our 2024 season!

Late Registration open now- \$80 includes uniform, pictures and trophy. Games will be held on Saturday mornings at ACE High School January 13 – March 2. Co-ed league, ages 5-14.

Register online at www.helendalecsd.org, click on the Park and Recreation link. Late registration deadline December 8, 2023.

Questions? Call 760-951-0006 ext. 230.

Christmas Tree Pick-Ups

Burrtec will collect and recycle Christmas trees from single-family residences beginning for two weeks after Christmas on your regularly scheduled trash day. Please place your tree at curbside on your collection day.

- Trees 6' and over need to be cut in half.
- Remove all ornaments, lights, and metal stands
- Trees 6' and over need to be cut in half
- Flocked trees will not be recycled, they will be collected as trash



Holiday Office Closures

December 22
December 25
December 29
January 1

WINTER WATERING

Between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm

Consider setting irrigation timers to "off" and manually water only when your plants and lawns need it.



Helendale Thrift Store

IF YOU LOVE THE EARTH BUY SECONDHAND FIRST

Please drop off all Thrift Store donations during our regular business hours to prevent theft and keep our donation area clean. Your donations are tax deductible and proceeds from the Thrift Store go directly back into the community by helping to fund our Community Park. When you drop off donations during normal business hours, please see one of our team members for your donation receipt.

The Thrift Store will also pick up your re-sellable items at no cost. To make an appointment, please call 760-952-1941.

If you have large items that are not re-sellable, you can contact the office at 760-951-0006 for a bulky item pick-up. Customers can get up to 5 items picked up twice a year.

CONVENIENT DROP OFF LOCATION Did you know you can drop off the following items at the Helendale Thrift Store Monday through Saturday from 11:00 am to 4:30 pm at **NO COST!**

Mattresses - no soiled mattress or mattresses with bed bugs.

Electronics - including tv's, computers, vacuums, toasters, coffee pots, printers, etc.

Cardboard - must be broken down.

Green Waste - some exclusions apply, cannot be bagged.

Large Items - furniture, appliances, etc.

Holiday Recycling & Waste Reduction Tips

The holidays are coming up and that can mean more residential waste. From packaging to wrapping paper people can expect to have a lot more going into their barrels. Do you know what items can be recycled and what items should go into the trash?

Recycle



Garbage



Winterizing Your Pipes - Avoid a Leak and Save Water this Winter



Before Cold Weather Sets in:

- Make sure you've turned off your irrigation or are watering during the day.
- Know how to shut off your water—Locate your courtesy shut off valve in your meter box and know how to turn it off. Replace if necessary.
- Protect your pipes—Wrap pipes that are exposed to cold with insulation.
- If pipes run through cabinets or vanities, open the doors to let warmer room temperatures in.

If your pipes do freeze...

- Shut off the water immediately. Don't try to thaw pipes before turning the water off.
- As outside temperatures rise your pipes will begin to thaw and your water should be restored.
- Be careful when turning water back on—Once pipes are thawed, slowly turn the water back on and check exposed pipes for cracks or leaks. If there are any leaks turn your water off and make the necessary repairs.

A little preparation could save hundreds of gallons of water! Be sure to prepare for the cold weather this winter by following these easy steps.

If you need assistance, contact the Helendale CSD at 760-951-0006.

Food Waste

Bring your food waste to the community drop off 7 days a week located at the North end of the Community Center Parking Lot.

Reuse or Donate

