# AS A RESIDENT YOU WILL BE ABLE TO ENJOY...

### **Enhanced Solid Waste Services:**

- Lower residential trash rates.
- Two clean up events per year at the Community Center for your trash, bulky items, tires, green waste, e-waste, mattresses, and general trash. Shredding and Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off are offered once per year.
- Curbside pick up twice per year for bulky items too large for the trash can — up to 5 items per pick up.
- Convenient Recycling at the Helendale Thrift Store. You can drop off recyclable items, mattresses, green waste, metal, cardboard, and anything with a cord. Open 6 days a week. Donations of usable items are also accepted.

### Access to Local Leaders:

 The Helendale CSD is governed by a five member Board of Directors. The Board meets on the first and third Thursday of every month at 6 pm at the Community Center—26540 Vista Rd., Ste C.

# Civic Participation:

- Come to Board meetings held locally and participate in your local government.
- Vote for your directors.
- Run for election to the Board.
- Participate in District functions.

## Other Programs include:

- Helendale Senior Center with Daily Lunch Program and activities.
- Sports and recreation programs for all ages including soccer, softball, basketball, volleyball and flag football.
- Participate in community events.

# Howdy neighbor. We look forward to visiting with you about this proposal.





We hope you will be able to attend one of the Town Hall Meetings for more information regarding the annexation.

September 5 at 5:30 PM

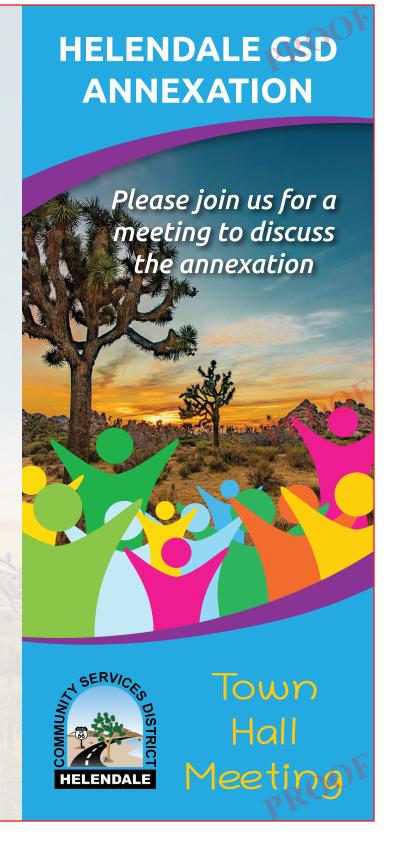
September 9 at 3:00 PM

September 29 at 6:00 PM

Meetings will be held at the Helendale Community Center—26540 Vista Rd. Suite C. Helendale, CA 92342.

Food will be served at each meeting.
No reservations required.

Feel free to contact us to discuss this information. You can reach us at: 760-951-0006 Ext. 224



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# **ANNEXATION PROCESS**

Application: The District presented an application and feasibility report to the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) requesting consideration of the annexation. LAFCO is the organization that oversees expansions of Cities and Special Districts like Helendale CSD.

Process: LAFCO will review the report and determine if it makes sense for the Helendale CSD to annex the area within our Sphere of Influence. Residents and other interested parties (i.e. Barstow, BNSF, Apple Valley, County, etc.) will be notified of the application.

Hearing: There will be a public hearing that will allow residents to voice their opinion about whether they will approve or deny the action. If the LAFCO Commission makes a decision that you do not agree with, you have the right to request reconsideration. You will have 30-days after the public hearing in which to request such reconsideration.

**Protest:** After the reconsideration period expires, the matter will be set for a protest proceeding. Each voter and landowner will receive a notice identifying their ability to protest. If more than 50% of the voters protest the matter will be terminated.

Information: You can find information about LAFCO at www.sbclafco.org. Here you can find meeting agendas and the status of the application. The Helendale CSD Annexation Proposal is LAFCO 3262 and can be found posted on their website under the heading "Applications/Proposals."

# What is an Annexation?

Annexation is an extension of boundaries within a previously established sphere of influence. As noted on the map below, the Helendale CSD sphere of influence (SOI) is in the purple hashed area. The proposed annexation area that is part of the current sphere of influence is in the orange hashed area. The District is only proposing to annex the area that is substantially included in the Helendale School District Boundaries.

# Why Annex?

The annexation is being proposed for three primary reasons: (1) to include the Helendale School District within the Helendale CSD Boundaries; (2) clear up confusion on solid waste provision; and (3) expand easterly within our sphere of influence to the proposed expansion of the City of Barstow. With the BNSF "Barstow International Gateway" (BIG) project, The City of Barstow is planning to annex a corridor along Route 66 to Hinkley Road. The City's proposed annexation area is within their designated sphere of influence (pre-determined growth boundary).

# What is the impact to me?

Solid Waste Services will transfer from the County to the Helendale CSD. You will see a reduction in your residential trash fees. There will be no water and sewer services available to the annexation area as there are no facilities outside the Silver Lakes Community. The residents within the orange area on the map will be within the Helendale Community Services District boundaries and will have access to services offered by the District.

