Sunland-Tujunga-Shadow Hills Rotary Club

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Sunland Tujunga 4th of July Parade 2019

The Sunland Tujunga Shadow Hills Rotary Club is again hosting the Sunland Tujunga 4th of July Parade. The parade will start at 10:00 am on Thursday, July 4, on Foothill Boulevard at Summitrose Street. The parade will run down Foothill Boulevard to Sunland Boulevard, and is free of charge for both participants and spectators.

Every year this parade has dozens of entries and draws thousands of spectators. It is the single best attended community event in Sunland/Tujunga.

Applications for entry in the parade are available at the club's Facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/Sunlandrotary/</u> The theme of this year's parade is "Out of This World!" – Black Holes, Outer Space, Science Fiction...the sky is the limit. Bring out your inner Star Wars, ET, Star Trek, Superheroes...channel your favorite science fiction movie! The club encourages creative floats, and for everyone's safety, wishes to discourage throwing water balloons and other objects.

To ensure a safe parade experience for everyone, Foothill Boulevard will be closed starting at 9:00 am from Apperson Street to Fenwick Street. Westbound traffic will be diverted on Plainview Avenue and will be directed to continue on Hillrose Street. Eastbound traffic will be

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diverted onto Newhome Avenue and will be directed to continue on Apperson Street. All streets intersecting RUNNEA/SHADOW

Foothill between Apperson and Fenwick will be barricaded to prevent vehicular access.

Elected officials who have confirmed for the event include our U.S. Congressman Adam Schiff, State Assemblymember Luz Rivas, Los Angeles County Supervisor Kathryn Barger, Los Angeles City Attorney Mike Feuer, Board of Public Works President Kevin James, and Councilmember Monica Rodriguez. Other participants include the LAPD (including the Motorcycle Drill Team!), the LAFD, the Verdugo Hills Baseball team, several equestrian groups including the California Rangers, the American Legion, Village Poets, and some special surprises.

The long list of sponsors includes County Supervisor Kathryn Barger, City Councilmember Monica Rodriguez (for sponsorship of the tables and chairs for the Police Breakfast), corporate sponsors Crescenta Valley Weekly, Alpha Structural, Smart and Final Charitable Foundation (for support of our Verdugo Hills Baseball Team, The Dons, with their All City Coach Angel Espindola), and small business sponsors C&M Printing (plus help with printing and designing signs, banners, and T-Shirts), The Fish Lady, Mark's Lock and Key, Foothill Dental Care, Back Door Bakery and Cafe (plus support for the Police Breakfast), Golf Carts & Industrial Vehicles, Sierra Sign Images, and Corsica's Italian Deli and Catering (and support for the Police Breakfast). Caruso's, as always, kindly allows the use of their parking lot and external space as staging areas.

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Individual community members have also stepped up to sponsor the parade, and include Dang Coffee, the Oldest

Rock of Sunland Tujunga, and a couple more who prefer to remain anonymous.

A number of community organizations have also stepped up to sponsor this year's parade. These include the Cañada Crescenta Democratic Club, the Sunland Tujunga Neighborhood Council, the Sunland Tujunga Arts and Recreation Committee, the Village Poets, the Sunland-Tujunga Lion's Club, and the McGroarty Arts Center.

And the list of people who have enabled this parade would not be complete without again acknowledging our late member Michael Lucas, whose passion for this parade and whose legacy of community service continues to inspire the Rotary Club.

For further information, please contact parade chair Sabrina Godinez at 310-488-3030.

