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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Tri-City 5k/10k/1 Mile Run

The City of Palm Valley along with the City of Primera and the City of Combes is proud to announce the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual 5k/10k run and a 1-mile fun run. These runs will be on Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 8:00 a.m. rain or shine. They are going to start in front of the Harlingen Country Club at 5500 El Camino Real, Palm Valley, TX 78552. The 5k run will be within the loop of the City of Palm Valley, while the 10k is going to cross into the City of Primera and end back at the City of Palm Valley. The minimum age to register and run is 13 years old and the first 200 registrants will get a T-shirt. Additionally, every finisher of the races will get a medal and awards will be given to the top finishers. To register for the race, you can submit the included registration form or register online at https://www.active.com/palm-valley-tx/running/distance-running-races/tri-city-10k-5k-1-mile-fun-run-2023 (QR code included below). For the registrations fee, it is \$5 for the 1 mile run, \$20 for the 5k run, and \$25 for the 10k run. Active-duty military members and veterans will receive a 5% discount on these registration fees at when registering. Only checks, money orders, or cashiers' checks will be accepted at the time of registration. Additionally, we have special sponsorship agreements for businesses and organizations. If you would like to sponsor these races, contact Palm Valley City hall for more information at (956) 423-8384. We hope to have some amazing races so come on out and join us on these fun and exciting courses across these beautiful communities.









#### Monthly Brush and Debris Curbside Pickup starts April

Included in this newsletter is the new schedule from Waste Connections which includes the monthly curbside brush and debris pickup. The collection week will be the second full week of every month. The brush and debris can be put out as early as the weekend before the collection starts as indicated by the blue boxes in the schedule.

Additionally, the City cleanup is Saturday March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023, from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Two 40-yard containers will be dropped off at City Hall parking lot where residents will be able to dispose of any large/bulky items or debris. There is no additional cost to use this service, but proof of residency will be required. For example, a City of Palm Valley water bill or drivers license with a Palm Valley address will suffice as sufficient proof.

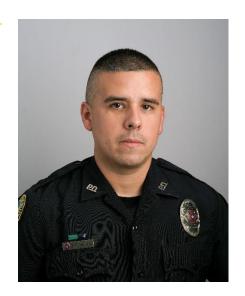
### **Recycling Containers No Longer Available at City Hall**

During the February City Council Meeting, the Council decided to terminate the Redfish Recycling service contract with feedback gathered from the January public forum. The 2 recycling containers have been picked up from City Hall and will no longer be available. However, Redfish Recycling is offering a curbside collection service if there are sufficient sign ups. This service is direct from the resident to Redfish, and they will provide a 96-gallon container to put all the recycling in to each resident that subscribes to the service. If you want more information, you can contact Redfish Recycling at (956) 299-8025 or you can fill out a short recycling survey at <a href="https://forms.gle/HxVn9ng1ZRaYWHgz9">https://forms.gle/HxVn9ng1ZRaYWHgz9</a>. I have also included a QR code below for easy access to the survey.



#### City of Palm Valley welcomes new Chief of Police

On Tuesday, March 7, 2023, the Palm Valley City Council voted on appointing Adrian Quintanilla as the new Chief of Police. Chief Quintanilla has been working with the City of Palm Valley since 2015, where he started as a Patrol Officer and was promoted to the Police Sergeant in 2018. He has attended an Institute for Law Enforcement Association intensive supervisory course on how to manage personnel, crisis management, and critical incidents. Additionally, he has also attended various other courses for leadership competencies. Chief Quintanilla is committed to continuing to provide the excellent public safety and quality patrol officers the City currently enjoys.



#### Palm Valley Recognizes Resident Veronica Garza

My name is Veronica Garza, born and raised in the Rio Grande Valley. I am happily married and have two beautiful daughters whom have already grown up and begun their own careers. Our little family moved to the City of Palm Valley in January 2015 where we plan to stay for many years to come. I am currently employed as a City Health Worker for the neighboring City of Primera. I am also a certified nutrition coach, certified personal trainer, certified fitness instructor and a competitive bodybuilder.

I began my fitness career in the year 2000 instructing classes and developing my skills in the industry. In 2004, I was hired as a Program Coordinator for Valley Baptist Health and Fitness Center and ultimately worked my way up to Director in 2012. Unfortunately, the center was forced to close in 2020 due to COVID-19. Since the year 2000, I have worked on developing my professional career by obtaining varies trainings, certifications, and a degree in business management. As a City Health Worker for Primera, my primary function is to work with the community and share my knowledge in Health & Fitness with the goal of improving the overall health of the people in the community. In addition, I work with clients through personal training, provide nutrition plans and compete in bodybuilding competitions. I am very proud to do my part in helping the community make lifestyle changes to improve their overall health and quality of life.

If you would like to learn more about our FREE programs or more information regarding The City of Primera Health Outreach Program (Tu Salud Si Cuenta) which are available to all residents of Palm Valley, feel free to contact me at 956-238-7640. We look forward to helping you on your way to a healthier, stronger, happier YOU!

If you would like to highlight your family and how and why you chose Palm Valley please submit a short bio and photo.



#### City Hall

City Hall is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Our staff is available to issue permits, take water or citation payments, and to answer any questions or concerns. The 24-hour drop box is available in front of City Hall and mail or email is still an option.

City Council meetings are open to the public with limited seating capacity. Additionally, meetings are being broadcasted on Zoom for those that wish to attend or participate from a remote location. If you wish to be added to the email mailing list for the Zoom meeting invite links, contact City Hall to make that request.

#### **Municipal Court**

Municipal Court hearings are being held through Zoom until further notice. Court hearing dates are normally on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month.

#### Social Media Pages (New Facebook Page)

The City of Palm Valley Facebook page is now up and running. The page can be found at @thecityofpalmvalley. This Facebook page will be used to post news, updates, and recognitions from the City of Palm Valley, so be sure to check it often to be up to date on the latest news.

## **Important Contact Information**

**AEP Texas Customer Service** 

1-877-373-4858

https://www.aep.com/contact/

**Magic Valley** 

1-866-225-5683

https://magicvallev.coop

# **Upcoming Holidays and Events**

**THE COUNCIL** 

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Gilberto Lucio

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City Hall: 423-8384 Municipal Court: 423-8384 Police DEPT: 873-1500 Water Services: 423-4040