

LET NO ONE SEEK HIS OWN GOOD, BUT THE GOOD OF HIS NEIGHBOR.

"Paul, 1st Century Church Leader"

**CITYSERVE**

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*"Life is an exciting business, and most exciting when it is lived for others."*

*- Helen Keller*



**APRIL 2018**

**OF THE TRI-VALLEY | DUBLIN, SAN RAMON, PLEASANTON, LIVERMORE & BEYOND**

#### **OUR MISSION: CityServe exists to serve people in the Tri-Valley by:**

- Caring for people in crisis
- Coordinating resources and volunteers between the faith-based community, non-profits, schools, businesses, and government agencies
- Connecting volunteers in the local church and community to the non-profits in our Tri-Valley

#### *What Can We Accomplish Together That We Cannot Do Alone?*

Please visit [CITYSERVETRIVALLEY.ORG](http://CITYSERVETRIVALLEY.ORG) often to see regularly updated news on Tri-Valley volunteer needs and the many resources available through our Tri-Valley churches, non-profits and agencies to equip us to serve and to help others. We are a 501c3 designated non-profit #37-1735822. Please submit volunteer needs to [info@cityservetrivalley.org](mailto:info@cityservetrivalley.org) by the 15th of each month for inclusion in the following month's newsletter.

#### **COMMUNITY CARE FOCUS**

##### **CITYSERVE CHURCH LIAISON MEETING | TUESDAY, APRIL 17 | 1:00 - 2:30 PM**

Join community care representatives from our Tri-Valley churches to discuss how we are serving those in need where we live and how we can work together to serve even more. Meeting location: CityServe Conference Room, 11501 Dublin Blvd., Suite 200, Dublin. For more information contact Jill Lorentz, [jlorentz@comcast.net](mailto:jlorentz@comcast.net) or (925) 998-5194.

##### **FRIDAY FRIENDS | APRIL 6 & 20 | 6:00 - 8:00 PM**

Friday Friends is a fellowship program for adults, age 18 & over with developmental disabilities. This group meets regularly the 1st & 3rd Friday of each month. A free dinner at 6:00 PM is followed by prayer time, Bible study and games. Reservations are required by the Wednesday before each meeting. To attend or volunteer, please contact Kris Volkir, Disability Ministry Director, [Kris@vc.church.org](mailto:Kris@vc.church.org) or (925) 846-6622. Location: Valley Community Church, 4455 Del Valle Parkway, Pleasanton.

##### **LIVERMORE COMMUNITY NEEDS MEETING | TUESDAY, APRIL 10 | 9:30 -11:00 AM**

This monthly meeting of non-profits, school, city, church & community members focuses on working together to identify and address Livermore human service needs. Location: Livermore Multi-Service Center, 3311 Pacific Ave., Livermore. For more information, contact meeting coordinator, Gloria Gregory at (925) 998-3785 or [gloria@cityservetrivalley.org](mailto:gloria@cityservetrivalley.org).

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICE DAYS THIS MONTH! SIGN-UP TODAY!**

- **CITY OF LIVERMORE COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY | SATURDAY, APRIL 21** - Contact Liz Simmons, [lsimmons@cityoflivermore.net](mailto:lsimmons@cityoflivermore.net) to receive the volunteer individual and group sign-up forms and for more information.
- **DUBLIN PRIDE VOLUNTEER DAY | SATURDAY, APRIL 28** - Contact Rebecca Parnes, [Rebecca.Parnes@dublin.ca.gov](mailto:Rebecca.Parnes@dublin.ca.gov) to receive a group sign-up form (individual sign-ups can be done on the city website).

Both cities will have school, city, non-profit & community projects for many volunteers followed by a free lunch & Volunteer Fair at a central city park. See the city websites for more information or call the CityServe office, (925) 452-8276.

**Non-Profits & Community Organizations:** seize this opportunity to present your services & year round volunteer needs at the Volunteer Fair at each of these community service days. CityServe of the Tri-Valley is facilitating the Volunteer Fair for each city. Register to participate online at the CityServe of the Tri-Valley website, [www.cityservetrivalley.org](http://www.cityservetrivalley.org), For more information call CityServe at (925) 452-8276.

#### **HELP STARTS HERE: CALL 2-1-1**

Call 2-1-1 or (888) 886-9660 for free, non-emergency, confidential access to housing information and critical health and human services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.



Visit our website and click on the Facebook icon to follow CityServe!

**CONTACT US | Gloria Gregory | (p) (925) 452-8276 | (e) [info@cityservetrivalley.org](mailto:info@cityservetrivalley.org)**

## **FREE INCOME TAX PREPARATION | APPOINTMENTS THROUGH APRIL 11, 2018**

IRS certified volunteers are available by appointment for low and moderate income families to receive free assistance in completing the steps for e-file state and federal taxes. For appointments at the Pleasanton Library call (925) 931-3400 x 4; for appointments at the Tri-Valley One Stop Career Center, Dublin, call (925) 560-9431.

## **NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER LUNCHEON AT CAMP PARKS CHAPEL | WEDNESDAY, MAY 2 | 11:30 AM**

Mark your calendar now to attend this special opportunity to gather and prayerfully focus on our communities and nation. No cost. Chaplain Long will be guest speaker. Be sure to pick up your entry pass outside the entry gate days prior to the event or at least 30 minutes before. For more information and/or to volunteer to help with this event, please contact Chaplain Efrain Avila, Jr. at [juarbe.e.avila.mil@mail.mil](mailto:juarbe.e.avila.mil@mail.mil) or (925) 875-4293.

## **TRI-VALLEY CONVOY OF HOPE | SATURDAY, MAY 5 | 10 AM – 2 PM**

The City of Pleasanton, Pleasanton School District and Convoy of Hope (a faith-based non-profit specializing in international disaster relief & community events to serve those in desperate need) are partnering to present this day of service at the Alameda County Fairgrounds. Free services will include health care evaluations, mental health counseling, housing information & career counseling. Plus haircuts, family portraits, groceries, backpacks, kid's zone, and free lunch! Lots of volunteer opportunities! For more information contact (925) 560-3820 or [trivalleycoh@gmail.com](mailto:trivalleycoh@gmail.com).

## **HELP US HELP OTHERS!**

Do you have a car to donate or room to rent? At CityServe we are working with individuals and families in urgent need of these items. Please call our office at (925) 452-8276.

## **MORE CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE**

### **RESPIRE CARE EVENT | SATURDAY, APRIL 28 | 2-5 PM**

Help serve Tri-Valley families affected by disabilities! Volunteers are needed to “buddy up” with special needs kids (ages 4-14) for an afternoon of fun and games while providing for a much needed break for their parents or caregivers. This is a great opportunity to volunteer as a family. Volunteer training begins at 1 PM. For information on registering as a respite family or a volunteer contact [kris@v.c.church.org](mailto:kris@v.c.church.org) or (925) 846-6622. Location: Valley Community Church, 4455 Del Valle Parkway, Pleasanton.

### **SERVE IN THESE PAID STAFF POSITIONS AT SHEPHERD'S GATE | LIVERMORE**

Shepherd's Gate has been positively impacting the lives of women & children in crisis for over 34 years. These employment opportunities are open on this amazing team:

- Case Manager, Livermore Campus
- Thrift Store Manager
- Learning & Career Center Manager

For full job descriptions & more information, visit [www.shepherdsgate.org](http://www.shepherdsgate.org). Email cover letter & resume to [dschnitter@shepherdsgate.org](mailto:dschnitter@shepherdsgate.org).

### **LITTLE LEAGUE INTERMEDIATE WORLD SERIES | LIVERMORE**

Many volunteers are needed now through the event dates of July 29 - August 5! Great opportunity for youth and family volunteering (minors need to be with an adult). This event is the international championship tournament for girls & boys aged 11-13 & televised on ESPN. Location: Max Baer Park. See the many ways you can help and sign-up at [www.intermediateworldseries.org/volunteers](http://www.intermediateworldseries.org/volunteers). For more information email [volunteers@intermediateworldseries.org](mailto:volunteers@intermediateworldseries.org) or call April Rood, (925) 339-7213.

### **HELP THOSE SEARCHING FOR EMPLOYMENT**

Volunteer at the Tri-Valley One-stop Career Center to help someone achieve employment in one of these ways: Resume Review, Mock Interviews, Workshop Leader, Mentor, Mental Health/Stress Counselor, Industry Expert, Interpreter. Location: 6300 Village Parkway, Suite 100, Dublin. To learn more contact Sarah Holtzclaw at [sholtzclaw@clpccd.org](mailto:sholtzclaw@clpccd.org) or (925) 560-3439.

### **FAMILIES & INDIVIDUALS ALWAYS NEEDED TO HELP OUR SENIORS AND SERVE AT NON-PROFIT THRIFT STORES**

- Senior Support Program of the Tri-Valley: be a Friendly Visitor and provide connection & care. contact Lorie Rohloff at (925) 931-5388 or [lrohloff@ssptv.org](mailto:lrohloff@ssptv.org)
- Dublin Senior Center: to learn how you can help please email [seniorctr@dublinca.gov](mailto:seniorctr@dublinca.gov)
- Pleasanton Senior Center: volunteers positions include front desk receptionist, greeter, and computer, smart phone or tablet tutor. To help in one of these ways and others, please call (925) 931-5365.
- Livermore Senior Services: call (925) 373-5760



- Shepherd's Gate New Life Store (Livermore) (925) 606-1924
- Tri-Valley Haven Thrift Store (Livermore) (925) 449-1177
- American Cancer Society Discovery Shop (Pleasanton) (925) 462-7374

## ON-GOING OPPORTUNITIES

Find a directory of over 30 Tri-Valley human service focused non-profits you can choose from to serve others! Visit our website at [www.cityservetrialley.org](http://www.cityservetrialley.org).

## COMMUNITY RESOURCES

### HELP THE HOMELESS & HOUSING NEEDS IN THE TRI-VALLEY!

- All homeless: the first step is to call 2-1-1 and complete the Alameda County Coordinated Entry interview
- Every Thursday at 10:00 AM, Housing Education & Counseling class at Bay Area Community Services, 3900 Valley Ave., #B, Pleasanton, (925) 484-8457
- Working homeless: connect them to the Abode Services Rapid Re-housing Program at (510) 284-2135 (the person in need must call)
- Report Livermore Homeless: Call the Livermore Housing & Human Services Division at (925) 960-4590.
- Homeless ages 16-24: Project Key-paid Career Exploration Academy, La Familia-(510) 963-9328
- Help with late rent, apartment deposit, first month rent. Call ECHO Housing, Tri-Valley office (925) 449-7340
- For affordable housing in Alameda County visit [www.achousingchoices.org](http://www.achousingchoices.org)
- For information on Alameda County Social Services, Medi-Cal, Food Stamps and more visit the Multi-Service Center, 3311 Pacific Ave., Livermore
- Give out the CityServe Tri-Valley Food Resources/Food Pantries/Hot Meals/Showers/Laundry Guide (print this from the CityServe website). 29 locations of food resources in Livermore, Pleasanton & Dublin are listed

There is no provision for emergency motel nights for homeless families/individuals. CityServe provides these nights to many single moms & kids and others. If you would like to help, donate now at the CityServe website or call (925) 452-8276.

### CHILD CARE LINKS DIAPER PANTRY | OPEN TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS

The Diaper Pantry provides no-income and low-income families with a month supply of diapers. Child Care Links is also a resource for child car seats, information on child care subsidies and more. Tuesday and Thursdays 7:00 AM - 4:00 PM, closed daily noon to 1:00 PM. Location: 6601 Owens Drive, Suite 100, Pleasanton. For more information, contact Child Care Links at (925) 417-8733.

### VETERAN AND FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES

Swords to Plowshares offers services to homeless and low-income veterans and their families. Services provided include housing, legal, employment and training, health and social services, money management and eviction prevention services. Locate the Tri-Valley representative by calling (510) 844-7500 or email [ssvf-oakland@stp-sf.org](mailto:ssvf-oakland@stp-sf.org). Visit [www.Swords-to-plowshares.org](http://www.Swords-to-plowshares.org) for more information.

### CAREER COACHING

- JobLink Support Group, Mondays 7:00 - 8:30 PM, a faith-based community effort formed to assist the unemployed or underemployed in finding meaningful work. Assistance is provided by certified Career Coach, Gene Nokes ([coachnokescareers@gmail.com](mailto:coachnokescareers@gmail.com) or (510) 821-1726). All are welcome! Location: St. Raymond Catholic Church, 11555 Shannon Avenue, Dublin (in Moran Hall).
- Tri-Valley One Stop Career Center, Monday - Wednesday, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM, Thursday, 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM. This community resource connects job seekers with employment and career development opportunities. The center offers workshops on interview skills, resume writing, basic computer classes and more. Location: 6300 Village Parkway, Suite 100, Dublin, (925) 560-9431.

### CANCER CARE | Mondays | 12:30 - 2:00 PM

Faith-based support group for patients, family & friends. Location: Stanford Health Care Valley Medical Oncology Center, 5725 W. Las Positas Blvd., Pleasanton. Led by Natalie Burbach, [natburbach@comcast.net](mailto:natburbach@comcast.net) or (510) 701-4845. Sponsored by Cornerstone Fellowship (925) 579-5464.



## **THE HANGER, A COMMUNITY RESOURCE FOR CLOTHING NEEDS AND MORE**

The Hanger is located at Village High School, 4645 Bernal Avenue, Room 703B, Pleasanton. It will be open two Wednesdays a month, 4:30 - 6:30 PM (April 11 & April 25). Tri-Valley families and individuals may select one bag of items per visit. The Hanger is staffed by students with disabilities in a vocational skills classroom. Tax deductible donations can be dropped off at the Pleasanton School District's special education office at 4661 Bernal Avenue, Pleasanton. Donations of clean and gently used adult and children's clothing, warm coats and jackets, new socks and new underwear, shoes, umbrellas and rain gear, laundry supplies are appreciated. For more information and to schedule appointments, call (925) 426-4293.

## **SERVE THE CITY | Each Monday | 8:00 – 11:30 AM**

Location: Vineyard Christian Fellowship, 460 N. Livermore Ave., Livermore. Major needs: men's jeans, t-shirts, socks and underwear. Drop off donations during weekend services (Saturday 5 - 6 PM, and Sunday, 9 AM - 1 PM) to the white Serve the City truck parked at Cornerstone Fellowship, 348 North Canyons Parkway, Livermore, (925) 447-3465. Serve the City volunteers provide services and fellowship to the local homeless community (shower, clothing, breakfast and bible study). To volunteer or to learn more, contact Jenne at [jennep@cornerstoneweb.org](mailto:jennep@cornerstoneweb.org).

## **MONEY MANAGEMENT WORKSHOPS | 1ST TUESDAYS OF EACH MONTH**

Tri-Valley One-Stop Career Center is hosting two workshops to provide education on better managing bills and money. First Tuesday of the month, 10:00 - 11:00 AM, "When the Money Stops and the Bills Don't." Register online at [www.trivalleyonestop.org/calendar](http://www.trivalleyonestop.org/calendar) or call (925) 560-9431. Location: 6300 Village Parkway, Suite 100, Dublin.

## **TRI-VALLEY HAVEN RESTRAINING ORDER CLINICS**

Staff and volunteers will assist clients in preparing the paperwork to apply for a temporary restraining order, explain legal procedures, and have the restrained person served after the order is approved by a judge. All services are free. Call Legal Services Advocates at (925) 449 5847 x206.

- Tuesdays, 5:30 - 7:00 PM, Tri-Valley Haven Pleasanton Satellite Office, 5890 Stoneridge Drive, Pleasanton (First Floor, Conference Room)
- Thursdays, 2:00 - 4:00 PM, Tri-Valley Haven Community Bldg., 3663 Pacific Avenue, Livermore

## **CELEBRATE RECOVERY | Tuesday Nights | 6:30 PM**

This is a biblical, balanced program designed to provide a recovery process to overcome hurts, hang-ups, and habits. Location: Valley Christian Center, 7500 Inspiration Drive in Dublin. For more information, contact Pastor Jimi Merrell at [jmerrell@comediscovervcc.org](mailto:jmerrell@comediscovervcc.org) or (925) 560-6228. Learn more at [www.celebraterrecovery.com](http://www.celebraterrecovery.com).

## **PARENTING ISSUES**

- Free Parenting Classes: Tri-Valley YMCA, First Thursday of the month. 6:30 - 8:00 PM. Location: 5000 Pleasanton Avenue, Suite 120, Pleasanton. Free childcare but must RSVP to Susan Mancino at [smancino@ymcaeastbay.org](mailto:smancino@ymcaeastbay.org) or (925) 354-1392.
- Foster Parent Support Group | 4th Tuesday each month. Cornerstone Fellowship, 348 N. Canyons Parkway, Livermore, (925) 447-3465.
- "Raising Teens & Tweens", a series of free workshops for parents focusing on some of the toughest topics facing parents today. 6:30-8:30 PM. 2 classes per month. Presented by Axis Community Health. Location: Robert Livermore Community Center, 4444 East Ave., Livermore. For more information contact Ariel Fuchs, at [afuchs@axishealth.org](mailto:afuchs@axishealth.org)

## **MILITARY PEER SUPPORT GROUP | THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH, 7:00 – 8:00 PM**

This support group is a mutual self-help group for all military veterans and is a safe place to share. All ages are welcome. Location: St. Augustine's Rectory Conference Room, 3999 Bernal, Pleasanton. For more information, please contact Dominick Pietro at (925) 462-4665.

## **LA FAMILIA / CULTURA Y BIENESTAR**

- SPANISH-SPEAKING WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP | Thursdays, 9:30-11 AM. Location: 1401 Almond Ave., No. 20, Livermore. Walk-ins welcome!
- SENIOR GROUP (Adults 60+) SUPPORT GROUP | Fridays, 9:30 AM-Noon. Location: St. Michael's Convent, 375 Maple St., Livermore
- IMMIGRATION CLINICS | 1st Wednesday each month. Location: 1401 Almond Ave., No. 20, Livermore. Free one on one confidential meetings.
- For more information or to schedule an immigration appointment contact Lupita Barattino, [gbarattino@lafamiliacounseling.org](mailto:gbarattino@lafamiliacounseling.org) or (925) 273-4220

## **LAWYER IN THE LIBRARY | FREE LEGAL HELP IN EACH COMMUNITY**

Please call one week in advance for an appointment.

- Dublin Library: 3rd Wednesday of each month. No walk-ins.
- Livermore Rincon Branch: 2nd Monday of each month, 6:00 - 8:00 PM. Drop-ins welcome but not guaranteed an appointment.



- Livermore Civic Center Branch: 4th Thursday of each month, 6:00 - 8:00 PM. Drop-ins welcome but not guaranteed an appointment.
- Pleasanton Library: 3rd Tuesday of each month. Each person will have a 15-20 minute consultation with a member of the Alameda County Bar Association. Appointments are by lottery. Registration from 5:30 - 5:45 PM. Names will be selected at 5:50 PM, and you must be present when names are drawn. 12 names will be chosen. Appointments begin at 6:00 PM. For more information, call the Adult Reference Desk at (925) 931-3400 x4.

### **GRIEF SHARING, SUPPORT & CARE**

Find strength and encouragement in these meetings of support for those going through the loss of a loved one:

- Saturdays, 10:30- Noon at CrossWinds Church, 1660 Friesman Rd., Pleasanton (925) 560-3800.
- Saturdays, 11:00 AM at St. Raymond Catholic Church, 11555 Shannon Avenue, Dublin. Many facilitators are Spanish speaking. Contact Matt & Denise Troiano at [matt\\_troiano2001@yahoo.com](mailto:matt_troiano2001@yahoo.com) or (925) 828-2460.
- 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:30 PM at St. Elizabeth Seton Church, 4001 Stoneridge Drive, Pleasanton. All sessions are open to all regardless of religious affiliation. For more information, please contact Eleanor at (925) 846-8708.
- Sundays, 1:00 - 3:00 PM at Valley Christian Center | 7500 Inspiration Drive, Dublin. For more information, contact Tawni Garcia at [tgarcia@comediscovervcc.org](mailto:tgarcia@comediscovervcc.org).
- Cornerstone Grief Care Support Group offers an 8-week series twice per year and monthly potlucks between sessions. Livermore location. Contact Brian Laurence at [brian@cornerstoneweb.org](mailto:brian@cornerstoneweb.org).

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**Blazing Fire Church**  
**Cedar Grove Community Church**  
**Celebration Christian Center**  
**Cornerstone Fellowship**  
**CrossWinds Church**  
**Crystal Korean Church**  
**Dunamis Christian Center**  
**East Bay Prayer Furnace**  
**Fountain Church**  
**Good News Family Fellowship**  
**GraceWay Church**  
**Indian Community Church of the Valley**  
**John Knox Presbyterian Church**  
**New Life Church**  
**Our Savior Lutheran Ministries**  
**Parkway Fellowship**  
**Pathway Community Church**  
**RCCG Graceland Redeemed Christian Church of God**  
**Rock Bible Church**  
**St. Philip Lutheran Church**  
**St. Raymond Catholic Church**  
**Sunset Community Church**  
**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
**Valley Christian Center**  
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