



# City of Placentia Press Release

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## **Winter Wonderland Drive-Thru Event**

**PLACENTIA, CA** – As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, instead of the annual ‘Tree Lighting Ceremony,’ the City of Placentia will host its first-ever ‘Winter Wonderland’ drive-thru event on Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 4:30 pm – 9:30 pm in the Civic Center parking lot, 401 East Chapman Avenue.

All are invited to drive through a joyful experience complete with holiday music, Christmas trees, Santa’s Elves, holiday characters, a light show, a Hanukkah display from the Chabad Center, a Live Nativity Scene, and Santa Claus himself. Families will collect holiday treats and goodies from their vehicle as they enjoy the holiday scenery.

“After the success of our drive-thru Halloween event, we knew we wanted to do something even bigger to take the place of our annual Tree Lighting Ceremony. We can’t wait for everyone to see what we have in store,” said Community Services Director Karen Crocker. “Guests will be greeted with a beautiful and festive winter wonderland experience!”

“We hope everyone will join us for our Winter Wonderland event,” said Mayor Ward Smith. “The event is sure to spread holiday cheer while keeping everyone as safe as possible.”

The event is free, and participants will be asked to remain in their cars, wear a mask, and roll down their windows to collect their treats. All CDC recommended guidelines will be followed. Although not required to enter the event, participants are encouraged to donate a new unwrapped toy for children ages 6-14 as a part of our annual Holiday Toy Drive.

For more information on this event, please call the City of Placentia Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.

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