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## **La Palma Thanks Community Volunteers**

*LA PALMA, Calif.* – The City of La Palma recently recognized its dedicated volunteers at a Volunteer Recognition Celebration. Mayor Shanahan recognized and thanked members of the Traffic Safety Committee, Development Committee, and the Community Activities and Beautification Committee for their dedicated service to the City. The Recreation and Community Services Department and the Police Department also honored their volunteers.

The Recreation and Community Services Department selected Wayne Zehner as the department's Volunteer of the Year. Wayne began volunteering for the City in 2007 at the Run for Fun event and he recently became involved with the La Palma Day's parade. Wayne's commitment to the city does not stop with these events; over the past two years he has organized several *PT Cruisers* for a small car show during one of the Concerts in the Park.

Further, the Recreation and Community Services Department selected Joselyne Carpio and Joshuena Williams as Youth Volunteers of the Year. Joselyne Carpio and Joshuena Williams have served the City in several capacities including the Volunteer program and the Youth Action Committee. Both Joselyne and Joshuena have also assisted Recreation staff by volunteering at the Run for Fun and Concerts in the Park.

The La Palma Police Department chose Katherine (Kitty) Mallett as their Volunteer of the Year. Kitty has been with Neighborhood Watch since 1985, shortly after the organization was formed. Kitty is the Block Captain for District 37 and has served on the Board from 1998 until 2010. Kitty's work with the Police Department also includes attendance at the Citizen's Police Academy, helping with bicycle registration, and being a member of the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT).

The City of La Palma has hundreds of volunteers that assist the community in a variety of ways, including: members who serve on local committees, those that volunteer at recreation events, and some who provide community safety patrols. Their dedication and faithful service help make La Palma a strong community.



From Left to Right: Councilmember Charoen, Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, Wayne Zehner, Councilmember Herman, Katherine (Kitty) Mallett, Councilmember Waldman, Joshua Williams, Mayor Shanahan and Joselyne Carpio

***About the City of La Palma***

The City of La Palma is a 1.9 square mile general law city in northwest Orange County, consisting of 16,081 residents and 482 commercial and industrial businesses. The City was incorporated in 1955 under the name of Dairyland and has 65 full-time and 35 part-time employees.

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