



CITY OF BALDWIN PARK

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City of Baldwin Park to Host a Special Training Session on Mental Health for its Front-line Staff

BALDWIN PARK, CA – On Tuesday, October 25, 2022, the City of Baldwin Park will hold a “Mental Health First Aid” training course for City staff who interact regularly with individuals who are unhoused and have a mental condition which exacerbates their state of homelessness.

Staff from the following City departments and who generally interact with unhoused individuals experiencing a mental health disorder will participate in the training: Recreation and Community Services; Public Works; Police; Human Resources; and Community Development. The purpose of the training is to bring awareness to signs and symptoms of mental health challenges that may impact adults, and to better position City staff to assist in case management referral for mental health assistance by specialized agencies.

Universal Mental Health First Aid (UMHFA), also known as InativeLotus Services LLC, will teach the in-person, 7.5-hour live interaction course using qualified instructors certified by The National Council for Mental Health Wellbeing. UMHFA is authorized by the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health to deliver this course.

“Equipping our city staff with the basic knowledge to recognize symptoms and challenges associated with mental health disorders is essential to creating a supportive interaction that would lead to positive outcomes,” said Baldwin Park Mayor Emmanuel J. Estrada.

Building on its commitment to a comprehensive approach in its interaction with the unhoused, the City recently dedicated its Serenity Homes transitional housing project geared to provide emergency shelter to unhoused families and expectant mothers.

About the City of Baldwin Park

Baldwin Park is a nearly seven-square-mile, suburban community of 72,000 residents in the heart of the San Gabriel Valley. As the hub of the San Gabriel Valley, Baldwin Park is known

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