Citrus Heights Serves: Honoring Those Who Give Back
A Message from Mayor MariJane Lopez-Taff

Service is one of the defining strengths of Citrus Heights. It connects neighbors, builds trust, and reflects the kind of community we are.

Volunteers play a vital role in advancing the quality of life we all value. They support public safety, enhance our neighborhoods, uplift those in need, and create meaningful opportunities for connection. In doing so, they extend the reach of City services and strengthen the fabric of our community. Citrus Heights is stronger because of their service.

This month, we join communities across the country in recognizing National Volunteer Week April 19th-25th, a time to reflect on the impact of service and express gratitude to those who give back every day. In Citrus Heights, the City Council will issue a proclamation to bring awareness to the importance of volunteerism and formally recognize the contributions of those who serve.

Here in Citrus Heights, we carry that recognition forward through the Chip-In Hall of Fame Award, which honors residents who go above and beyond to make a difference. This year's nominations reflect the full breadth of service in our community, from supporting neighbors and seniors, to mentoring youth, advancing public safety, assisting those experiencing homelessness, strengthening local organizations, and enhancing the beauty and identity of our city.

On April 8, the City will host a Volunteer Appreciation Reception ahead of the City Council meeting. We will recognize this year's nominees and announce the Hall of Fame honoree. This is a moment to celebrate the individuals behind the impact and the shared commitment that continues to move Citrus Heights forward.

Service is not just something we recognize. It is something we continue to grow.

If you have been looking for a way to get involved, this is your invitation.

There are many ways to serve in Citrus Heights. You can join a community cleanup, participate in Adopt-A-Trail, volunteer through the City's Volunteer Hub, support local nonprofits, or get involved in neighborhood groups and community events. Whether you can give an hour, a day, or ongoing time, your involvement matters. Even small acts of service create meaningful change.

To every volunteer who has stepped forward to serve, thank you. Your contributions strengthen our city in ways both visible and unseen.

Together, through service, we are building a stronger, more connected Citrus Heights.

With gratitude and appreciation,

MariJane Lopez-Taff
Mayor, City of Citrus Heights