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Board President Letter

Dear Talega Residents,

Talega is more than just a neighborhood. It's a community built by the involvement of residents like you. Thank you for helping us create a place that feels connected, supportive, and truly like home.

Election Rule

Making Your Votes Count – The Board has diligently worked with legal counsel and the Neighborhood Delegates to amend the bylaws to ensure that every vote counts.

The Bylaw Amendments were approved by the Talega Maintenance Corporation Neighborhood Delegates on July 23, 2025, and by the Talega Maintenance Corporation Board on August 12, 2025. The amendments were to Article IV, Sections 4.7.1, 4.7.3 and 4.7.4.

The simple summary of this Bylaw amendment is that now every vote cast by a member will count regardless if your Delegate is present for that election. This is a significant change and improvement for all residents.

Painting Project

Our community painting project is well underway, with the Talega Swim & Athletic Club already refreshed with a clean, updated look.

Emergency Preparedness

Wildfire preparedness remains a top priority in our area, and being proactive is key to protecting our homes and community. Residents are encouraged to <u>sign up for CERT</u> (Community Emergency Response Team) training to learn valuable emergency skills such as fire safety, evacuation, and disaster

response. Volunteering with South County Fire Watch (Volunteer | The Nature Reserve at Rancho Mission Viejo) is another great way to help by monitoring high-risk areas and reporting potential fire hazards.

Signing up for O.C. Alerts ensures you receive real-time emergency updates, evacuation orders, and critical safety information. Together, by staying informed and involved, we can strengthen our community's readiness and resilience.

Events

2025 has been a wonderful year of connection and celebration. Highlights like the Luau and Summer Concert Series—along with fall favorites such as Bourbon & Blues on the Bayou and Movie Night Under the Stars—have brought neighbors together and created lasting memories.

A Year in Review

Looking back, it's inspiring to see how much we've accomplished. Together, we've:

- Advanced major improvement projects, including painting and facility repairs.
- Hosted a full calendar of community events, bringing residents of all ages together.
- Continued to invest in property upkeep and enhancements that improve daily life in Talega.

Thank you for your continued engagement and support. We look forward to seeing you out in the community and at our upcoming events.

Warm regards,

Phil

Phil Harris, President

Talega Maintenance Corporation

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ARCHITECTURAL PLAN SUBMITTAL DEADLINES

Friday, October 3rd | Friday, November 7th Friday, December 5th

TMC BOARD MEETINGS

6:30PM

Tuesday, October 14th | Tuesday, November 11th Tuesday, December 9th

DELEGATE MEETING DATES

7:00PM Tuesday, November 18th

ANNUAL MEETING DATE

Tuesday, November 18th

QUESTIONS?

Email: Talega@ciramail.com

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Community Reminders



E-bikes are fun and convenient, but unsafe use puts everyone at risk.

- Report unsafe riding: (949) 770-6011 (non-emergency police)
- Call 911 in emergencies
- Surron bikes are prohibited on Talega streets, sidewalks, and parks

Let's work together to keep Talega safe and walkable for all.

려 Parking in Talega

Overnight street parking (1:00 AM-6:00 AM) is not permitted without a safelist. Patrol One enforces parking in Talega.

- Safelist your car at www.patrol-one.com or call (949) 367-8055
- Up to 14 nights allowed within 30 days
- Place the confirmation number on your windshield
- Need an activation code? Contact Talega@ciramail.com
- Sub-association residents (Carmel, Trinidad, Gallery, Verano, Talega Village) → check your management company for rules

Learn more at **TalegaToday.com** → For Residents → Parking Enforcement.

Community Projects

Ongoing improvements are part of keeping Talega beautiful. Current projects include monument sign updates, painting, and landscaping enhancements. Thank you for your patience as crews work to complete these upgrades. Stay tuned to TalegaToday.com for progress updates.

Save the Date

From concerts to holiday celebrations, Talega events bring neighbors together all year long! Visit TalegaToday. com/Events for the full calendar and watch your e-blasts for upcoming announcements. Don't miss the chance to celebrate with your community!

17 Talega Swim & Athletic Club Office Closures

The Talega Swim & Athletic Club office will be closed on the following dates:

- Thursday, November 27th
- Friday, November 28th
- Wednesday, December 24th
- Thursday, December 25th
- Friday, December 26th
- Wednesday, December 31st
- Thursday, January 1st



How to Stay Connected with Your HOA:

Engaging with Your Community

Keeping up with community news and events is easier than ever with multiple ways to stay informed. Whether you prefer digital updates, newsletters, or in-person interactions, Talega offers several channels to ensure you never miss out.

Follow Us on Instagram

For instant updates, follow <u>@TalegaToday</u> on Instagram. Get alerts about upcoming events like Paint & Sip or Luaus, view photos from past events, and engage with fellow residents by commenting or sending messages.

Visit the TalegaToday Community Website

The community website, <u>talegatoday.com</u> is the ultimate resource for everything Talega. Key features include:

- Event Calendar Track upcoming events, meetings, and club activities.
- HOA Documents Access rental forms, budget updates, and community guidelines.
- Project Updates Stay informed about ongoing improvements in the neighborhood.

Bookmark <u>talegatoday.com</u> for detailed information beyond social media updates.

Utilize the Resident Portal

The Resident Portal provides secure, personalized access to HOA resources. Log in via the "For Residents" tab at <u>talegatoday.com</u> to:

- Pay HOA dues and set up auto-pay.
- Submit maintenance requests.
- Download essential forms and documents.

Ensure your contact information is current to receive important updates.

Tag us to be featured! @TalegaToday



Scan the QR code to follow us on Instagram

Stay Updated with the TalegaToday Magazine

Mailed bi-monthly and available online, the TalegaToday magazine covers:

- HOA board updates and policy changes.
- Upcoming events and registration details.
- Educational articles on community topics.

To view past editions, visit <u>talegatoday.com</u> under the "Welcome" tab.

Sign Up for E-Blasts

Get real-time updates through Talega's e-blasts, including:

- Emergency notifications and facility closures.
- Event reminders and city information.

Subscribe by visiting talegatoday.com under the "For Residents" tab or email **TalegaLC@ciramail.com**.

Engage In-Person at Community Events

Stop by the Talega info booth at events to:

- Ask questions about community happenings.
- Pick up flyers, newsletters, and other resources.
- Connect with HOA representatives.

Talega ensures you have multiple ways to stay engaged—whether through social media, the website, newsletters, or in-person interactions. Stay informed and be part of the thriving Talega community!

For further assistance, call the Talega Swim & Athletic Clubhouse at (949) 361-8466 or email TalegaLC@ciramail.com.

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHTS AND GRATITUDE

Community Spotlights and Gratitude





Ron Brown

Ron Brown founding member and seventeen year veteran of Talega Maintenance Corporation's Budget and Finance Committee.

A native of Kentucky, Ron received his MBA from the University of Louisville and his undergraduate BA degree in business from Bellarmine University. He served his country

for 7 years as a military intelligence analyst and reservist in the US Army's [Green Beret] Special Forces.

Ron honed his skills during his 17 year tenure with General Electric Co., holding various marketing and financial management positions and as Managing Senior on GE's Corporate Audit Staff. He is a graduate of GE's prestigious multi-year Financial Management Program.

In Southern California Ron was the Co-founder of several consumer and business services companies, including a Financial Services company and was Director and Chairman of Centennial Bank.

He was the instigator and catalyst for the creation of a Budget and Finance Committee during the developer run board period. Since it's inception, Ron has been very instrumental in the creation, monitoring and updating of Talega's fiscal policies that include:

- Operating and Reserve Funding Guideline and Policy
- Operating Funds Policy
- Purchasing and Spending Policy
- Funds Investment Policy

Additionally, He partnered in the development of a rolling 12 month balance sheet that is used as a dashboard for monitoring accounts receivable and cash flow trends.

Ron's unselfish contribution of countless volunteer hours over the last 17 years are a testament to his character and genuine care and commitment to his community.

Talega is forever grateful.





Lisa
Samerdyke
Lisa has been
proud to call
Talega home for
the past 16 years,
where she lives
with her husband,
Matthew, and

their daughter, Taylor. Drawn in by the wonderful schools and welcoming community spirit, Talega has been everything she and her family hoped for and more.

After retiring last year, Lisa felt inspired to give back, and she quickly became an active part of the community. She serves on both the **Branding & Communications**Ad Hoc Committee and the Event

Committee, where her thoughtful input and creative ideas help shape the future of Talega. In addition to her committee work, Lisa regularly volunteers at community events, helping with everything from setup to coordination, and enjoys being part of the team that makes these gatherings possible.

Having attended many events over the years, Lisa says the **Summer Concert Series** will always hold a special place in her heart. She loves warm evenings spent with friends and neighbors under the stars. Another standout memory for her is Talega's very first chili cookoff, where she entered, came in third place out of three, and still felt like a winner.

When she is not volunteering in Talega, Lisa stays active in her daily life. You can often find her at a Cycle or Y6 class, enjoying the Talega book club, traveling to new places, ushering at Segerstrom, or spending time with the wonderful friends she has made right here in Talega.

What Does Each Committee Do??

Meet the Committees Supporting Talega

Talega benefits from the dedication of volunteer committees whose members contribute their time, expertise, and perspective to ensure the community operates effectively and continues to flourish. From financial oversight to event planning, each committee plays a vital role in maintaining Talega's standards and enhancing the resident experience.

Budget & Finance Committee

Managing a community of this size requires careful financial oversight. This committee ensures Talega's budget remains balanced, responsible, and aligned with the needs of residents, maintaining a strong financial foundation.

Event Committee

The Event Committee oversees the planning and execution of community events, from summer concerts to paint & sips. Members generate ideas, coordinate logistics, and foster opportunities for residents to connect through engaging events.

Landscape Committee

Talega's trails, greenbelts, and common areas are maintained with the guidance of this committee. Members work to preserve and enhance the community's natural environment, ensuring shared spaces remain well-kept and welcoming.

Enforcement Committee

This committee upholds the fairness and consistency of Talega's CC&Rs. Members review potential violations to support a safe, attractive, and harmonious living environment for residents.

Design Review Committee

When home improvement projects are proposed, the Design Review Committee evaluates them to confirm alignment with Talega's overall architectural standards. The committee's efforts preserve community aesthetics while allowing for individual creativity.

Neighborhood Delegates

Delegates serve as representatives for each neighborhood, sharing information, gathering feedback,

and voicing resident concerns to community leadership. This structure ensures that every area within Talega has a channel for communication and advocacy.

Branding & Communications Ad Hoc Committee

This committee focuses on Talega's communications and visual identity. From updating logos and design standards to shaping newsletters, e-blasts, and social media, the committee supports consistent and effective messaging for the community.

Why Committees Matter

Each committee serves a distinct function, but collectively they strengthen Talega's governance, appearance, and sense of connection. Their work provides residents with an organized, attractive, and vibrant community environment.

Get Involved

Residents interested in contributing their skills and perspectives are encouraged to volunteer. Volunteering provides an avenue to serve the community, meet neighbors, and make a lasting impact.

The Budget & Finance Committee and the Design Review Committee are currently seeking volunteers.

To learn more or to express interest in joining a committee, please contact (949) 361-8466 or email talega@ciramail.com.

How to Prepare for an Architectural Submittal



Applying early ensures your plans can be reviewed and approved before any work begins—and keeps everything aligned with Talega's design standards.

Whether you're planning an exterior paint update, refreshing your landscaping, installing artificial turf, replacing windows or doors, or adding solar panels, here's how to prepare for a successful architectural submittal:

Step 1: Review the Guidelines

Visit TalegaToday.com and download the Architectural Guidelines. These cover a wide range of exterior changes—like paint selections, landscaping requirements, turf installations, window and door replacements, solar systems, and more. Reviewing them first helps you understand what is allowed (and what isn't) before you design your plan.

Step 2: Gather Your Details

A complete packet speeds up the review process. Be sure to include:

- A signed **Property Improvement** Form, Neighbor Awareness Form, and General Conditions Agreement
- If painting, two different paint schemes and clear photos of your property (front, rear, sides, and neighboring homes)
- Detailed drawings, plans, and specifications—such as site plans, elevations, material/color boards, or solar panel placement prepared clearly and to industry standard

Step 3: Communicate with Your Contractor or Designer

If a professional is helping, ask them to prepare accurate drawings, sample boards, or renderings that comply with Talega's guidelines. This can help you submit a solid, review-ready packet.

Step 4: Submit and Plan Ahead Submit your completed packet by email to Talega@ciramail.com, making sure to include your address in the subject line. Review times vary by project, but most take up to 45 days. Avoid scheduling any work until you receive official approval,

and keep in mind that incomplete

Step 5: Elevate Your Project at Wine & Design

packets can cause delays.

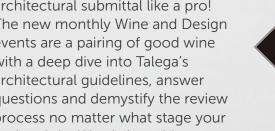
Need Help? Master your architectural submittal like a pro! The new monthly Wine and Design events are a pairing of good wine with a deep dive into Talega's architectural guidelines, answer questions and demystify the review process no matter what stage your project is in. Watch for e-blast

notices inviting you to make an appointment for an upcoming Wine & Design workshop event.

These meetings can save you tons of time so you can get to enjoying your new improvements sooner rather than later.

Tip: A submittal that's complete, well-organized, and thoughtfully designed is your best pathway to approval. Pair that preparation with the creative energy of Wine & Design, and you'll move smoothly from concept to completion.

Upcoming dates are announced monthly, so please check your e-blasts and talegatoday.com





Questions? Contact Talega@ciramail.com or call (949) 361-8466 for assistance with your application.

Neighborhood Delegates

Talega has nearly 11,000 residents spread across 37 unique neighborhoods. We want every member to be properly represented which is why we have Neighborhood Delegates to assist with the governance of this large, master-planned community.

If you...

- Care about your community and want to make a meaningful contribution
- Are actively engaged with your neighbors, observant, respectful, and a good listener
- Can be a positive voice for the community, relay perspectives on matters that are relevant to the membership, and solicit feedback when requested by TMC or its Board of Directors

We would like you to consider becoming a Neighborhood Delegate!

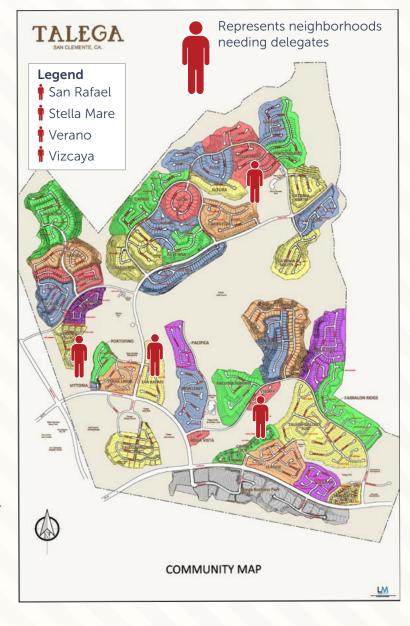
Your commitment?

- Attend 4 to 5 Neighborhood Delegate meetings a year (at Talega Swim & Athletic Club)
- Keep a pulse on your neighborhood, report issues, feedback, and suggestions as deemed appropriate
- Proactively keep your neighbors informed on major issues that affect both your neighborhood and Talega
- Represent your neighborhood constituents during the Election of Directors at the Annual Meeting, as well as validate counts and homeowner proxies, and cast proxy ballots when requested to do so by a neighbor

Requirements?

- You must be a Talega homeowner
- You must be approved by the Talega Board of Directors





What's in it for you?

- Direct interaction with the Board of Directors
- The opportunity to better understand all of the operational and governance aspects of our great community, including better visibility to the City of San Clemente
- The opportunity to engage with your neighbors beyond just a casual, "Hello"
- Special guest speakers
- The respect and gratitude earned for your contribution to our community
- Priority reservations for Talega's big events
- New Delegate Meet-n-Greet Block Party

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Paradise Living: Wildlife in Talega

Living in the semi-rural paradise of Talega gives us the unique opportunity to experience Southern California's abundant wildlife up close. Step outside, and you'll likely see or hear a wide range of animals that remind us of the natural beauty that surrounds our community.

Fall is one of the best times to explore the trails in and around Talega. The changing seasons bring out a variety of species, and the abundance of flora and fauna is always inspiring. For those who enjoy identifying what they see, the Natural History of Orange County and Nearby Places is a fantastic resource. Reviewing it before a hike will help you recognize and appreciate what you might encounter.

Wildlife Sightings in Talega

Here is just a short list of species residents have observed in our community:

- Mammals: California ground squirrels, bobcats, coyotes
- Birds: Quail, California turkey vultures, red-tailed hawks, red-shouldered hawks, Cooper's hawks, roadrunners, California towhees, barn owls, screech owls, great horned owls
- Reptiles: Southern alligator lizards, western fence lizards, gopher snakes, king snakes, two-striped racer snakes, red diamondback rattlesnakes, southern Pacific rattlesnakes

If you're especially lucky, you might even spot a long-tailed weasel.

Keeping Wildlife Wild

We are privileged to live in a place where wildlife can be seen daily. For the health of the animals and the safety of our neighborhoods, please remember: do not feed the wildlife. Feeding alters natural behavior and can lead to long-term harm for both animals and humans.

Domestic "Wildlife"

While we don't feed wild animals, our "domestic wildlife" — our kids — deserve plenty of care. Please feed them, love them, play with them, and keep them safe! Children should avoid playing in the landscape areas or on the slopes, which can hide hazards such as rebar spikes used to hold irrigation lines, drains, construction debris, and rattlesnakes.

It's also important to note that TMC spends about \$100,000 each year repairing irrigation systems damaged by people traversing the slopes and landscaped areas. That equals about \$2 per home each month — a cost that can be avoided if we all respect these areas.

Talega is a community where nature and neighborhood come together. By appreciating wildlife responsibly and keeping our kids safe, we preserve the balance that makes living here so special.



Simplify Your Payments

As a valued member of the Talega community, it's important to remember that **assessment payments are a legal requirement**. Keeping your account current not only supports the quality of our neighborhood—but also helps you avoid late fees and collection actions, which may include legal notices, liens, or even foreclosure.

Why Timely Payments Matter:

- Each homeowner is responsible for paying their assessments in full and on time, regardless of how the payment is made.
- Management does not monitor or confirm whether payments have been processed correctly on your behalf.
- Missed or late payments can result in late fees, interest, and additional legal charges.
- Continued nonpayment may lead to **legal action**, **property liens**, **or eventual foreclosure**.

To stay in good standing with the HOA, we strongly encourage residents to:

- Review your statement monthly
- Check that your scheduled payment method (ACH or online) is active
- Ensure there are sufficient funds in your account
- Monitor your HOA account for payment status
- Contact management immediately if you notice any discrepancies.

Simplifying Your Payments: How to Pay On Time, Every Time

We offer a variety of convenient methods to make your life easier while keeping your account current:

Payment Method	How It Works	Notes
ACH Automatic Pay	Set up via RealManage Resident Portal on TalegaToday.com. Withdraws automatically on the 2nd or 3rd, posts by the 5th or 6th.	Most effortless option—set it and forget it.
One-Time Online	Log into the resident portal to pay with your bank account or credit card.	Credit cards may incur small processing fees; posts within 72 hours.
Bank Bill Pay	Use your bank's bill pay—add "Talega Maintenance Corporation" as a payee.	Takes 10–14 business days to post—plan ahead.
Mail-In Check	Mail a check to the payment address on your statement.	Allow 14 business days for processing—mail early.

Payment due date: Payments are due on the 1st of every month and must post to your account by the 15th to avoid late fees.

Final Tips

- Set up ACH auto-pay for a hassle-free, reliable solution.
- Always verify your account information and payment status.
- If you're unsure about anything, reach out right away.

Need Assistance?

If you have questions about your payments or if you need your account ledger or a copy of the Collection Policy—please contact Talega@ciramail.com or call (855) 947-2636.

Thank you for staying informed and keeping Talega thriving—one timely payment at a time!

How to Plan a Block Party



Step 1: Decide to Host and Recruit Helpers

Any Talega resident can host a block party — you don't need to be on a committee. Recruit a few helpers to divide up tasks like invitations, food, kids' activities, or cleanup. Even two or three neighbors pitching in can make planning simple and fun.



Step 2: Apply for Approval

Before you host, you must submit the **Block Party Application Packet**, available at **TalegaToday.com** or at the Talega Swim & Athletic Club office.

- Applications include a Pre-Block Party Application Form, sample invitation, and invitation list.
- Submit by email to <u>TalegaLC@ciramail.com</u> or drop off at the Club office during business hours.



Step 3: Know the Program Details

- Each neighborhood can host up to **four block parties per year**.
- Approved events are eligible for up to \$400 reimbursement toward event expenses.
- For December, Project Holiday covers holiday lights and décor specifically.
- Wait for management approval before purchasing supplies.



Step 4: Plan the Details

Once approved, set the basics:

- Date & Time: weekends or evenings usually work best.
- Location: your street, cul-de-sac, or driveway.
- Food: potluck, BBQ, or holiday treats.
- Activities: music, games, or a decorating

Share responsibilities — ask attendees to bring tables, chairs, desserts, or games.









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HOW TO PLAN A BLOCK PARTY



Step 5: Add Holiday Magic

Want to tie your block party into the season? Try:

- Holiday Decorating Party hang lights together, then enjoy cocoa and cookies.
- **Ugly Sweater Contest** neighbors compete for the tackiest look.
- Hot Cocoa & Caroling Night simple, festive, and family-friendly.

Whether you're hosting a small get-together, decorating your home for **Light Up the Night**, or rallying your whole block for **Project Holiday**, these programs make it easy to celebrate and connect. With prizes, reimbursements, and plenty of cheer, this season is the perfect time to bring neighbors together and make lasting memories.



Step 6: Celebrate and Wrap Up

On the day of your block party, focus on enjoying yourself and mingling with your neighbors. Take photos, introduce new families, and encourage conversations. After the party, save your receipts and submit them for reimbursement of up to \$400. Helpers can assist with cleanup so it's not all on you.

Why It's Worth It

A Talega block party doesn't need to be fancy. What matters most is bringing people together. With a few helpers, a little planning, and support from the Block Party Reimbursement Program, you can turn a simple gathering into one of the highlights of the year for your neighborhood.





HAUNT YOUR HOUSE HALLOWEEN DECORATING CONTEST

Haunt Your House Decorating Contest

Talega is looking for the most spooktacular homes this Halloween season! Enter the Haunt Your House Decorating Contest for the chance to win a boo-tiful prize!

Accepting entries October 1st - October 13th

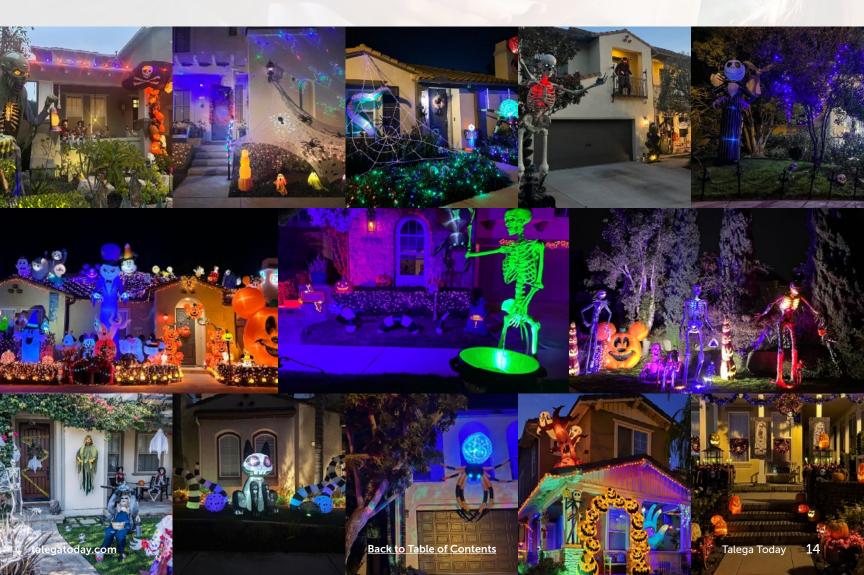
How to Enter:

- Send (2) photos of your fully decorated home to TalegalC@ciramail.com
- Include your name, Talega address, and phone number in the email
- You will receive a confirmation after entering the contest

Judging will be based on the photos you submit. The **Top 3 winners** will be announced via email and on Instagram!

Bonus for Blocks: Did your entire street go all-out with Halloween decorations? Blocks can also apply for up to **\$400 reimbursement** through the Block Party Program when hosting a neighborhood decorating party. It's the perfect way to bring neighbors together and make your block the most hauntingly festive in Talega!

Take a look at the entries from last year!



Holiday Block Party Opportunities in Talega

The holiday season offers several ways for residents and neighborhoods to come together, ranging from informal gatherings to organized contests and sponsored events. While each option involves celebration and décor, the purpose and scale are different.

Holiday-Themed Block Party

A holiday-themed block party can simply mean neighbors decide to gather and celebrate together with food, lights, and seasonal cheer. These parties are organized by residents and are primarily social in nature, without judging or prizes. However, they are eligible for reimbursement of up to \$400 (with prior approval), helping blocks cover the cost of décor, snacks, and activities.

Light Up the Night: Individual Homes Contest

This contest highlights single households. Residents decorate their own homes and submit photos for judging. Winners receive prizes, and judges tour the community to recognize the most creative, unique, or impressive holiday displays. This is

about showcasing individual creativity and personal holiday style.

Light Up the Night: Streets & Blocks Contest

This option focuses on group participation. Instead of one household, entire streets or blocks coordinate decorations with a shared theme — synchronized lights, coordinated colors, or creative displays. Prizes are awarded, and participating groups are also automatically entered into Project Holiday for recognition. This contest emphasizes teamwork, planning, and community pride.

Project Holiday: Block Party Reimbursement

Unlike a holiday-themed block party, Project Holiday provides financial support for approved blocks to host a festive celebration. Groups can receive up to \$400 in reimbursement for lights, décor, snacks, and entertainment. This program encourages residents not only to decorate together but also to host a structured neighborhood gathering that brings people together in a larger, organized way.





Behind the Scenes: Fun Facts About Talega Events

Talega events bring neighbors together in unforgettable ways, but have you ever wondered what it takes to make them happen? From the supplies to the traditions, every event has its own unique story. Here are a few fun facts that highlight just how much goes on behind the scenes.

What began as a small neighborhood egg hunt has grown into Talega's **Spring Fling**, with more than **5,000 eggs hidden across the park**. Families gather for games, crafts, and plenty of surprises — making it the ultimate kickoff to the season.

Each fall, Oktoberfest transforms Talega into a festive autumn celebration, with 100 pumpkins used to decorate the event and set the stage for seasonal fun. With music, treats, and community cheer, it's a tradition that always feels like fall in Talega.

The Luau is Talega's most popular event, selling out the very same day registration opens. Residents are welcomed with more than 1,000 leis, creating an authentic island atmosphere filled with food, dancing, and tropical flair.

Each summer, the Concert Series turns the park into an outdoor stage under the stars. Families spread picnic blankets and lawn chairs across the grass while live bands keep the energy high — and glow sticks brighten the dance floor long after sunset.

Movie Night Under the Stars brings the big screen to the great outdoors. Families gather with blankets and chairs while the popcorn machine runs nonstop, creating a cozy, family-friendly atmosphere right in the heart of the community.

Paint & Sip has evolved into one of Talega's most creative traditions. With canvases, brushes, and wine glasses in hand, the clubhouse transforms into a colorful art studio where neighbors laugh, paint, and sip the night away.

What began as a simple Wine & Cheese Night has evolved into an annual themed adult event and this years is **Bourbon & Blues**, a lively evening under the stars featuring smooth bourbon tastings, Southern-inspired bites, and the soulful sound of live jazz with a saxophone leading the way. This annual event keeps things fresh with a new theme each year, giving residents a reason to come back again and again.

Family Fun Day is all about relaxing together as a community. Residents gather for a casual picnic with snacks, lawn games, and plenty of activities that bring neighbors of all ages together.



Talega events are more than just dates on the calendar — they're experiences that require planning, effort, and heart. From thousands of eggs to hundreds of pumpkins, from popcorn refills to community milestones, these events are a true team effort. Whether you're attending for the first time or the 25th, every Talega tradition is designed to create lasting memories with your neighbors.

And the best part? There are **many more new and exciting events to come**, so stay tuned and get ready to celebrate even more community traditions together!



A Year in Review: Talega Events 2025



From January through September, Talega has been buzzing with activity that brings neighbors together and celebrates our 25th Anniversary. Each month has offered something unique — from creative workshops and community celebrations to laid-back socials and lively concerts. Here's a look back at the year so far.



Your Year to Shine (January)

We welcomed the new year with a special resolution activation called *Your Year to Shine*. Residents wrote down their personal hopes, dreams, and goals for 2025, then placed them on a community display that doubled as an inspiring photo backdrop. It was a fun and meaningful way to reflect on the year ahead and start our 25th Anniversary with positivity and connection.



Kids Special: Exotic Animal Show (February)

In February, the Talega Swim & Athletic Club hosted a special evening just for kids — an *Exotic Animal Show* that brought the wild up close. Children had the chance to see snakes, lizards, and other fascinating creatures, sparking curiosity, excitement, and plenty of smiles as they learned more about the animal world in a fun, hands-on way.



Paint & Sip: Floral Landscape (February)

Our first *Paint & Sip* of the year featured a beautiful floral landscape theme. Residents gathered at the clubhouse for an evening of creativity, guided painting, and, of course, a glass of wine. The finished pieces were as unique as the artists themselves, and the event reminded us that coming together to create is just as rewarding as the art we take home.



Lucky Clover Scavenger Hunt (March)

In March, families enjoyed the *Lucky Clover Scavenger Hunt*, which transformed Calle Altea Park and the clubhouse into festive discovery zones. Kids picked up a map and stickers, then set out to find seven hidden clovers. After completing their hunt, they were rewarded with a special pot of gold prize—making it a fun and memorable celebration for the whole family.



Spring Fling (April)

In April, families gathered at Calle Altea Park for the annual *Spring Fling*, a festive celebration filled with holiday cheer. Children enjoyed an exciting egg hunt across the lawns, games, crafts, and spring-themed activities, while families came together to share in the fun. The event wrapped up with sweet treats and plenty of photo opportunities, making it a joyful tradition that brought neighbors closer to welcome the season.



Shred Day & Community Garage Sale (May)

May offered a community-driven double feature with *Shred Day and the Community Garage Sale*. Residents took the opportunity to securely dispose of old paperwork, while the garage sale brought neighbors together to buy, sell, and repurpose treasures. The day was a great blend of productivity and connection, bringing neighbors together in a fun and meaningful way.















Tapas Tuesday (May)

Also in May, *Tapas Tuesday* gave residents a flavorful way to unwind with neighbors. Small plates, shared tables, and lively conversations made the evening feel warm and welcoming. It was the perfect setting to build friendships over food and celebrate the joy of gathering.

Summer Splash Pool Party (June)

June marked the beginning of summer break with the *Summer Splash Pool Party*. Kids celebrated the last day of school with floaties, games, and plenty of poolside snacks, while parents enjoyed the energy and excitement of the season's start. It was a splashy way to kick off months of summer fun.

Tunes by the Pool (June-August)

Tunes by the Pool brought a relaxed, resort-style atmosphere to the Talega Swim & Athletic Club all summer long. Families gathered by the water to enjoy live music, sunshine, and the laid-back rhythm of summer afternoons.

Summer Concert Series (June-August)

Talega's Summer Concert Series returned with an incredible turnout, filling the park with energy and excitement all season long. Families brought picnic blankets and chairs, enjoyed live music, and danced under the stars while glow sticks lit up the night. The concerts were a highlight of the summer, bringing neighbors together for unforgettable evenings.

Ice Cream Chill Zone (June-August)

Throughout the summer, the *Ice Cream Chill Zone* added surprise sweetness to the season. Trucks stopped around the community with classic frozen treats, drawing kids, teens, and adults alike to cool off and connect. It was a simple gesture that brought a lot of smiles.

Heroes Day (June)

Later that month, we gathered for *Heroes Day* to honor local service members and first responders. Families had the chance to connect with those who serve and protect the community while kids explored fire trucks, police cars, and much more! It was a heartfelt event that balanced education, gratitude, and fun.

Paint & Sip: Coastal Celebration (July)

In July, residents gathered for another creative evening with *Paint & Sip: Coastal Celebration*. The theme captured the beauty of summer by the sea, and participants painted bright, beachy landscapes while sharing laughs over wine. The clubhouse turned into a lively art studio, full of color and creativity.

Movie Night Under the Stars (September)

September gave families a magical night outdoors with *Movie Night Under the Stars*, featuring *Mary Poppins Returns*. Residents set up blankets and lawn chairs under the evening sky, enjoying popcorn, games, and the joy of watching a film together. The event created lasting memories for both kids and parents.

Bourbon & Blues on the Bayou (September)

In September, residents gathered for *Bourbon & Blues on the Bayou*, one of Talega's most stylish evenings of the year. With Southern-inspired cuisine, smooth bourbon tastings, and the soulful sounds of live jazz, the night was unforgettable. What began years ago as *Wine & Cheese* has grown into a signature event with a fresh theme every year, keeping it exciting and new.

From resolutions in January to jazz and movies under the stars in September, 2025 has been full of unforgettable moments. With the 25th Anniversary still underway — and the holidays just around the corner — there are many more exciting events to come. Thank you to the residents, staff, and volunteers who make each gathering special. Here's to even more memories ahead!

How to Register for Events

In 2025, event registrations will be online only, unless noted *otherwise*. Registration links will be available in weekly e-blasts and on <u>TalegaToday.com</u> under the "<u>Events & Programs</u>" tab. TLC highly suggests subscribing to e-blasts because they are the best way to stay updated with event information.

Please review some key information about registering for events:

- Pre-registration is required for all events.*
- Registration typically goes live 4-5 weeks prior to the event at 10:00AM PST.**
- Carefully read all question prompts when registering.
- There is a two (2) adult maximum per household, per event.***
- Events are exclusively for Talega residents. Any individual registered to attend must reside within the community. Visitors from out-of-town are unable to attend Talega events.
- Increasing headcounts after the event has sold out or on the same day is not permitted and will not be accommodated.
- The cancellation policy remains in effect for all events with and without registration charges.

Should you have any questions, please contact the Lifestyle Manager, at (949) 361-8466.

*With the exclusion of Summer Concerts. See event flyers for more details.

**Registration links will not allow you to make any selections until 10AM PST. Links are typically available on the website 10 minutes prior to going LIVE.

***TLC understands some households have more than two (2) adults who would like to attend events. If this is you, please contact the Lifestyle Manager for further direction <u>prior to registering</u>.

EVENTS CANCELLATION POLICY

TLC understands that unforeseen circumstances may arise. We ask that those who can cancel in a timely manner please do so. Events are carefully planned and all registrants are accounted and paid for.

Failing to notify of cancellation in a timely manner compromises others. Waitlists fill quickly, and management is unable to notify those on the waitlist the day before and the day of the event. Help management help you and your neighbors.

The policy is as follows:

- Talega Lifestyle Events are for Talega residents only. Guests and family cannot be accommodated.
- Adult events are limited to two (2) adults per household. Additional adult(s) residing in the household require prior approval and verification of Talega residency 48 hours before registering for an event.
- All cancellations must be emailed to TalegaLC@ciramail.com.
- Cancellations received 14 days or more prior to the event (by 5:00PM on the 14th day) will receive a full refund
- Cancellations received less than 14 days prior to the event or no-show will not be refunded.
- Cancellations received 48 hours prior to the event will be considered a violation. A notice reminding you of the cancellation policy will be sent to your residency.
- Registering and failing to attend will be considered a violation and will result in a charge equaling the actual unsubsidized cost of attendance per person.
- Upon your third offense, you may be denied registration for one or more future events.
- No balance or ticket transfers will be accommodated.



Scan the QR code to subscribe to e-blasts

Talega Upcoming Events

To learn more information about these events, visit talegatoday.com under the "Events & Programs" tab and on the dropdown menu click "Talega Events".



Talega is looking for the most spooktacular homes this Halloween season! Enter the Haunt Your House Home Decorating Contest for the chance to win a boo-tiful prize!

Accepting Entries October 1st – October 13th

How to Enter:

- Send (2) photos of your fully decorated home to TalegalC@ciramail.com
- Include in the email your name, Talega address, and phone number
- You will receive a confirmation after entering the contest

Judging will be based on the photos you submit. Top 3 winners will be announced via email and on Instagram!



Join us on **Saturday, October 18th from 1PM-4PM** at the Talega Swim & Athletic Club for Oktoberfest Fall Harvest Celebration! Enjoy Oktoberfest bites, beer garden, sweet treats, harvest crafts, petting zoo, polka band entertainment, DJ music & games, glitter art, carnival games and more!



Join us on **Saturday, November 8th from 12PM-2PM** for Kids Special: Science Day! Best for K-5TH! Prepare to be amazed as a mad scientist dazzles and educates with thrilling science experiments!



Scan the QR code to visit the website



Santa's mailbox will be placed outside of the Talega Swim & Athletic Club and will be accepting letters from **December 1st-11th from 9AM-5PM!** Santa's custom letter template will be posted to the **TalegaToday.com** website soon! Santa will write back to every mailed letter! Please make sure the address and child's name is legible!



Scan the QR code to follow us on Instagram



Join us on **Saturday, December 6th for Photos with Santa from 10AM-1PM** at the Talega Swim & Athletic Club. Here comes Santa Claus! Join Talega for its annual Photos with Santa event! Meet Santa Claus, enjoy cookies & hot cocoa, ride the train and more!



Scan the QR code to sign up for email blasts



Join us on **Thursday, December 11th for Wine & Wrap from 5PM-8PM** at the Talega Swim & Athletic Club. Sip, snack & wrap! Join us for an evening of refreshments & gift wrapping! Wrapping paper, tape, bows & tags will be provided! Must be 21+ plus to attend. *Talega Residents only

HANG LOOSE

Kat Partma, (949) 538-6588 kathypartma@aol.com

Hang Loose is a walking and social group for mature women. We welcome new faces. Come "walk and talk" with us and HANG LOOSE. Every Monday and Wednesday at 9:00AM.

Local meeting locations vary. Please call or email for current schedule.



TALEGA BOOK CLUB

Viv Shaw, (951) 313-1342 vtsteach@cox.net

The Talega Book Club meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 4:00PM at the TSAC Clubhouse fireplace room.

Please contact Viv Shaw for upcoming book selections. Everyone is welcome!



SINGERS COMPANY

Erika Johnson, (562) 318-9454 erika@singerscompany.com talega.singerscompany.com

Singers Company is a non-competitive performing group for girls age 4 through 3rd grade. Our goal is to provide a fun environment to inspire young girls with confidence through music and dance.



Mondays from 2:40PM-3:30PM & 3:40PM - 4:30PM (ages 4 years to kindergarten), and 4:40PM-5:30PM (1st-3rd grade) in the TSAC Terrace room.

TALEGA MOMS

Membershiptalegamoms@gmail.com

Talega Moms is a local community of mothers supporting each other through every stage of motherhood. While many of our activities are geared toward moms with children ages 0–5, all moms are welcome. We host weekly playdates, family events, Mom's Night Out gatherings, holiday celebrations, and a monthly Book Club—all designed to foster connection, friendship, and fun.



Please note: All attendees of any sports or activities must be a Talega resident.

TALEGA TIGER SHARKS Mary McLaughlin, Coach, (949) 293-5772 swimtalega@gmail.com

Join the fun and improve your swimming skills with these swim camps and classes. Group and private swim instructions are available.

Stop by the pool or visit us on Facebook to book a class or a lesson that meets your swimming goals.

This is the perfect class to prepare for Jr. Guards, surf camp, and summer swim team. Participants must be able to swim independently. Designed to increase overall fitness and confidence in the water.

Registration and fees are taken in-person on the first day of class.

SWIM CONDITION CLASS:

Swim Condition Class is offered Monday/ Wednesday OR Tuesday/Thursday from 4:00PM to 5:00PM at Saluda Pool.

Swimmers must be 6 years of age and able to complete 25 yards of freestyle. This is not a learn-to-swim class. Swimmers will learn all four (4) swim strokes, turns, starts, (weather permitting) and increases endurance.

This is a fun, non-competitive environment to enhance your fitness and stamina. Come join the Tigersharks at the Saluda pool above Liberty Park! Contact Coach Mary for more details at (949) 293-5772.

For updates, gives us a follow-on Instagram <u>@TalegaTigersharks</u> and we will see you at the pool!

Please note: If you have inquiries for registrations, class schedules, costs, etc., that go beyond what is listed for that specific program, please contact the instructor directly.



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