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#### CELEBRATE SAFELY THIS HALLOWEEN

According to the National Safety Council, children are more than twice as likely to be hit by a car and killed on Halloween than on any other day of the year. Follow these tips for a safe and enjoyable holiday:

- Plan your trick-or-treat route and accompany young children
- Stay on sidewalks, use crosswalks, and walk together in a group
- Wear light colored clothing, reflective markings, or carry a light to be seen in the dark
- Use a battery-operated candle or glow-stick in jack-o-lanterns rather than a live flame
- Prepare your pets for trick-or-treaters
- Inspect all treats before consuming

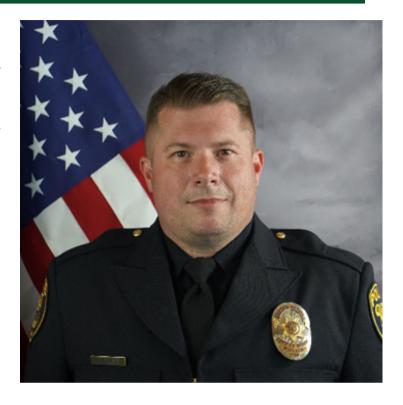
The City of Dixon Police Department will have extra officers on patrol to help keep everyone safe. The City of Dixon wishes everyone a happy and safe Halloween!



# DETECTIVE BRENT DAWSON NAMED DIXON OFFICER OF THE YEAR

The Dixon Police Department announced Detective Brent Dawson as the 2022 Officer of the Year. Det. Dawson joined the Dixon Police Department in 2020 with 18 years of law enforcement experience. His assignments include Field Training Officer, Rangemaster, Armorer, and Investigations.

An example of his exemplary work was evidenced in January 2022, when Detective Dawson responded to an arson at a local business that caused significant damage. After hours of investigation, including reviewing surveillance footage and cross-referencing license plate reader data, Detective Dawson identified the suspect vehicle and the suspect. Within a week, Detective Dawson located the suspect and obtained a full confession, resulting in an arrest. For his exceptional performance of duty, he was awarded an Award of Excellence.



Officer Dawson's work ethic and work product are admirable. His substantial knowledge and experience benefit his peers and the entire department. He is committed to continuing his professional education and often suggests training or development to his co-workers. His peers seek his advice and guidance. With his help, junior officers are producing high-quality police reports and search warrants. Officer Dawson continues to be an asset to this department and was unanimously chosen by his supervisors as the 2022 Dixon Police Officer of the Year.

Det. Dawson was honored with all Solano County law enforcement agencies honorees at the 2022 Night of Honor, sponsored by the Rotary International, on October 21, 2022.

# DEA NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK DAY OCTOBER 29

The Dixon Police Department will be participating in the DEA National Prescription Drug Take Back Day. Stop by the Police Department Saturday, October 29 between 10am-2pm and drop off unneeded medications. In addition, the Police Department has a drug take back bin available in the lobby during regular business hours Monday-Friday 9am-5pm.

# DIXON POLICE DEPARTMENT OPENS NEW PUBLIC SAFETY TRAINING CENTER

The Dixon Police Department recently opened a new public safety training center. The center includes a 25-yard pistol range with six individual lanes and a 50-yard rifle range. In addition, it features a classroom and an overhang structure where officers can maintain equipment and receive instruction.

"The new training center will ensure the police officers of the Dixon Police Department continue to receive the highest quality training available. This is much more than a firearms training facility; it is used to teach and practice de-escalation, less-lethal interventions, and situational judgment," said Police Chief Robert Thompson, "We believe training is the key to promoting a culture of continuous improvement and evolution of our staff."

The center, with a classroom and practical exercise facilities, will provide for the future training needs of not only Dixon, but the greater Solano area law enforcement community. "We're proud to be able to allow other allied agencies use of our facility for the greater good of promoting safety and training," said Thompson.



### PARKS & RECREATION UPDATES

#### PROVIDE YOUR INPUT: PARKS & RECREATION MASTERPLAN

The City of Dixon is currently in the process of updating the Parks & Recreation Masterplan (Masterplan). The goal of the Masterplan is to develop a collaborative vision for the ways Dixon will implement future recreation facilities and programs that meet the needs of the community. It is a strategic document that studies the existing parks system and recreation programs and identifies a blueprint for the future.

The City is hosting three workshops to collect input on the Masterplan. "These workshops are a vital part of the public engagement process. We encourage the community to attend each workshop to learn more about the Masterplan and share their vision for the future of Dixon." said Public Works Director Louren Kotow.

The remaining workshops will be held at the Senior/Multi-Use Center: 201 S 5th St, Dixon, CA from 6:00-8:00pm on November 9 and December 8. The workshops will build upon each other, and community members are encouraged to attend multiple workshops if possible.

To register for workshops, or learn more about the Masterplan, community members can visit: <a href="https://www.cityofdixon.us/ParksRecreationMasterplan">https://www.cityofdixon.us/ParksRecreationMasterplan</a>

#### CITY BASKETBALL PROGRAM

The City of Dixon will be hosting a National Academy of Athletics Hoop Group Basketball Program (Program) and camps.

The camps will be help during school breaks on November 21-23 and December 27-30. The Program will be held on Saturdays from January 14 to March 4.

The goal of this Program is to develop skills rather than function as a competitive league. Register today: <a href="https://www.cityofdixon.us/departments/R">https://www.cityofdixon.us/departments/R</a> ecreation/rec

#### **VOLUNTEER DAY- NOV 5**

The City will be hosting a volunteer clean up event on Saturday, November 5 starting at 9am. The event will be held at Hall Park.

Please bring plenty of water, gloves and any tools that you might want to use, as there will be limited tools provided by the City for this landscape and clean up activity. Please mark your tools so they make it back home with you.

Volunteers can sign up by contacting Linda Babb at (707) 693-2224 or lbabb@cityofdixon.us.

### **UPDATES FROM CITY HALL**

#### STAR AWARD PROGRAM

A big thanks to Jurnée Rivas-Garza, Administrative Clerk I – City Hall for always being patient and helpful with members of the public even when they ask multiple questions or become frustrated.

On July 18, 2022 Jurnée helped someone at the counter for over 30 minutes, answering their questions and offering resources. Even though the resident was frustrated and raised their voice, Jurnée remained calm and had a pleasant demeanor.

City Manager, Jim Lindley, issued a Star Award to Jurnée on October 14, 2022. Congratulations!



Residential Burn Permit Applications are now available <u>online</u> or at the Dixon Fire Station, 205 Ford Way, Dixon, CA, during regular business hours.

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

Did you know? You can view City Council meetings in person, on Channel 20, on the City website and on Zoom! See below for a list of upcoming City Council and Commission meetings and visit our website for the latest information.

City Council Meeting	11/01/22
Planning Commission Meeting	11/08/22
City Council Meeting	11/15/22
Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting	11/22/22



#### **WE'RE HIRING!**

The City of Dixon is hiring for the following positions. Interested in joining our team? Visit: www.calopps.org/city-of-dixon

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Position	Deadline
Police Lieutenant	11/06/22
Water Operator I	11/06/22
Recreation Supervisor	Until Filled
Senior Maintenance Worker- Parks Division	Until Filled
Senior Maintenance Worker- Building Division	Until Filled
Senior Maintenance Worker- Streetscapes Division	Until Filled
Lateral Police Officer (\$30,000 Hiring Incentive)	Continuous
Police Recruit (Academy Bound)	Until Filled
Transit Driver/Dispatcher	Until Filled