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CITY FACILITIES TO CLOSE NOVEMBER 19 FOR ACTIVE SHOOTER TRAINING EXERCISE

Chino Hills, CA – The Chino Hills Community Center and McCoy Equestrian & Recreation Center will be closed on Monday, November 19 for a Multi-Agency Active Shooter Training Exercise for the Chino Hills Police Department, Chino Valley Fire District, and City employees. The training exercise is scheduled from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Notices will be posted in advance that all public areas of both facilities including all walking paths, trails, driveways, and parking lots will be totally closed to the general public. Police and fire services in the field will not be affected by the training. The date was chosen to coincide with the closure of Ruben S. Ayala High School during Chino Valley Unified School District's Thanksgiving break.

The public should not be alarmed if they see a heavy police presence, as deputies in tactical gear respond to a scenario of an active shooter at the Chino Hills Community Center. The sound of simulated gunshots will be heard in the area. Chino Valley Fire Department will be staging triage areas and transporting "victims." Message boards and signs will be posted on Peyton Drive and various locations on November 19 to notify the public that visible police and fire activity is just a drill and part of a training exercise.

This exercise is part of an ongoing effort to enhance first responder preparedness levels for a variety of scenarios and locations. A similar training exercise was held at City Hall in April. City employees participated in a two-hour Workplace Violence Training Session prior to the April exercise. Community Center personnel will receive follow-up training in 2019 to identify and report suspicious activity, and to learn how to respond in the event of an actual incident. For additional information, please call (909) 364-2610.

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