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# From The Ground Up

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### City of Highland's Community Development Mission Statement:

*To ignite positive change through orderly development and revitalization of quality construction while serving in a courteous professional, and ethical manner.*

## Summertime Fun



Summer weather has arrived! Children are out of school, vacations are being planned and outdoor activities are on the increase. Here are some tips to help you have an enjoyable summer.

Check yard for holes

Check trees/shrubs for broken limbs

Survey the exterior of your structure looking for new cracks, peeling paint or broken windows.

Keep your grass under 8 inches

Make an area in your yard especially for the kids. Let them help you with design ideas and in creating the space.

Encourage children to read a book

Volunteer to help a neighbor maintain their property.

Remember to drink plenty of water to keep hydrated.

Never run a lawn mower with young children nearby.

Now would be an excellent time to review your family emergency kits and emergency plans. Review and practice an emergency escape plan with your children.