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Signal Hill Petroleum makes donation to fund summer-long Movies in the Park

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(From left) Long Beach Mayor Bob Foster; George Chapjian, director of Long Beach Parks, Recreation & Marine; Stefanie Gillett, Signal Hill Petroleum communications specialist; Debra Russell, Signal Hill Petroleum director of community relations; Trina Schoonmaker, Partner of Parks Board president; Drew Satariano, Partners of Parks executive director during the June 17 City Council meeting

Signal Hill Petroleum Inc. awarded a check for \$27,500 to Partners of Parks at the Long Beach City Council meeting Tuesday, June 17 to finance the Movies in the Park program, which provides a series of free movies at local parks from June through August.

Stefanie Gillett, communications specialist at Signal Hill Petroleum, presented the check on behalf of the company.

"We are thrilled to embark on our ninth consecutive year of sponsoring the Movies in the Park series with Partners of Parks," Gillett said. "At Signal Hill Petroleum, we are committed to investing in the communities where our business footprint resides and are proud to partner with local programs like Partners of Parks to give back to the residents of Long Beach and Signal Hill. The time spent together as a family is priceless, and we are so honored for this opportunity to bring families together with a fun-filled evening of movies, popcorn and a true sense of community."

Attracting over 10,000 people annually, according to ETA Advertising, which issued the press release about the donation, Movies in the Park provides free family-friendly entertainment and popcorn for families throughout Long Beach, Signal Hill and the surrounding communities. The \$27,500 gift will fund the showing of 31 movies at 28 parks throughout the Long Beach and Signal Hill area.

The 2014 Movies in the Park series started June 20 with a sing-a-long showing of *Frozen* at Whaley Park. Other features will include *The Lego Movie, Monsters University* and *Despicable Me 2*. For the complete Movies in the Park schedule visit <u>longbeach.gov/park/movies in the park.asp</u>.

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