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PRESS RELEASE



Annual Tree Lighting Scheduled for Monday, December 9th

Downey, CA, December 4, 2013: The City of Downey will be hosting the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony on **Monday, December 9, 2012 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** The Tree Lighting event will take place in the Civic Center, right outside Downey City Hall - 11111 Brookshire Avenue.

This FREE event will feature entertainment from local schools, a snow play area, arts & crafts and photos with Santa Claus. The actual lighting of the tree will occur at approximately 6:30 p.m. Food and refreshments will be sold by the Downey Rose Float Association and all proceeds will benefit this year's Downey Rose Float entry, which will participate in the Annual Rose Parade.

The City's Fire Department will also be present to collect new, unwrapped toys for the City's Annual Holiday Toy Drive. These toys will be donated to needy children in the community this holiday season. The public may drop off toys at the Tree Lighting event where they can hand them directly to Firefighters or drop them off in the designated boxes.

The City wishes to thank the Downey Lion's Club for their sponsorship of this event. For more information, please call the City at 562-904-1895.

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