

Valdese  
Employee  
Recognition

-New Hires-

Recreation

Jonathan Carter  
Stephanie Haylock

Finance

Bo Weichel

Administration

Annie Hogan

Police

John Ray

Wastewater

Candace Cox  
Alexander Garrison  
Buddy Leger

Public Works

Richard Damron

-Retirements-

Renee Gravel  
Henry Darden  
Joe McNeely

Downtown Spot Light

New Business located at 130 Main Street West

Goodness Grace Boutique

Wednesday & Thursday 4-7pm & Saturday 10-3pm



3 GREAT BUSINESSES IN 1 LOCATION

146 Main St. West Downtown Valdese

Southern Belle Boutique

919-803-9955

VALDESE HERITAGE ARTS CENTER

828.874.1849

Foothills Temporary Employment

828-522-1123 | foothillsemployment.com

Goodness  
Grace

Shop Small! Shop Local! Support your Downtown!

Valdese Main Street Facade Grant Program: **Foothills Thrift Store**



Before



After

The Valdese Main Street Program meets the first Thursday of the month and offers special incentives for development in Downtown Valdese including the Facade Grant Program. Foothills Thrift Store is the recipient of a facade grant in the amount of \$5,000. The program encourages restoration of storefronts to their former glory by removing false facades and exposing the character of the building's original features. The renovation for Foothills will include fresh paint, new signage, awning, and restoration of the original windows currently hidden by a shingled structure. The transformation is expected to be completed Spring 2019.

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Contact

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Town Clerk/Human Resources:  
828.879.2117

Utility Bill Manager: 828.879.2118

Fire Department: 828.879.2103

Recreation Center: 828.879.2132

Planning Department: 828.879.2124

Tourism Department: 828.879.2126

Community Affairs: 828.879.2129

-Old Rock School -Teachers Cottage

Public Works: 828.879.2128

Waste Water Plant: 828.879.2131

Police Department: 828.879.2102

Fitness & Aquatics Center:  
828.879.2144

Water Department: 828.879.2127

Calendar of Events

march

Concerts at the Rock presents: Hog Slop String Band

Opening Band: Aubrey Eisenman & The Clydes - March 2nd at the Old Rock School @ 7:30pm

Movies at the Rock presents: Jurassic Park

March 8th at the Old Rock School Auditorium @ 7pm

Rock School Arts Foundation Exhibits

March 10-April 12 (Reception March 10) Carol Weisberg Burgess & Timothy Bernard

april

April Craft Market

April 13th at the Old Rock School from 9am-4pm | Over 50 crafters, door prizes and more!  
Sponsored by the Historic Valdese Foundation | \$1 per person for entry or can food donation

American Legion Easter Egg Hunt

April 21st at 2pm | Church Street Valdese | Children 10 and under & bring your own basket

Myra's Cruise In

Enjoy antique & classic cars at Myra's - Fridays at 6pm April - October

Jesus Christ Superstar

Order tickets online at oldcolonyplayers.com or Call 828-522-1150

Show Dates: April 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 17, 19 & 20 | Performed at the Fred B. Cranford Amphitheatre

Litter Sweep April 13-27

Valdese Public Works will have supplies for anyone interested in volunteering time to help beautify our community. Litter Sweep - Biannual Statewide Roadside Litter Cleanup, help beautify our community by volunteering locally to participate in the Governor's proclaimed LITTER SWEEP to remove litter from North Carolina's roadways. Litter Sweep is a statewide roadside litter cleanup drive sponsored by NCDOT, administered by its Office of Beautification, in conjunction with the Town of Valdese.

Rock School Arts Foundation Exhibits

April 29-May 30 (Reception April 30) Local Schools Exposition & Competition

may

Valdese Farmers Market begins May 24

Markets are held on Fridays from 11am-4pm at the Old Rock School Front Lawn  
Baked Goods, Eggs, Meats, Fresh Fruits & Veggies

Summer Concert Series Kickoff Celebration with OUTSHYNE

Celebrate the summer with free concerts in Valdese starting May 24th from 7-10pm  
May 24th will feature the band Outshyne (country), larger stage, concessions & beer sales by Friends of the Valdese Rec. The season will continue through August 30th with variety concerts every Friday night. See the full summer lineup at valdeseconcerts.com

upcoming

Valdese Independence Day Celebration

Friday, June 28 - Fireworks! Amusement Rides! Beer Garden! Live Music by  
Little Johnny Trailer Trash opening for ON THE BORDER, the Ultimate Eagles Tribute

44th Annual Historic Valdese Waldensian Festival

August 9 & 10 - Over 150 vendors, tours, bocce tournament, music & more!

Friday Night: Cassette Rewind & Gump Fiction (80's & 90's Variety)

Saturday Night: Gary Lowder & Smokin' Hot (Beach & Variety)

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Book the Old  
Rock School

Auditorium

Seats up to 500  
Ideal for pageants,  
concerts, recitals

Waldensian Room

Seats up to 150  
Ideal for weddings,  
birthdays, showers  
anniversaries,  
meetings & more.

Classrooms

119, 137, 138, 139  
Seats up to 25  
Ideal for small  
meetings, work-  
shops & classes

Teacher's Cottage

Seats 50  
Ideal for weddings,  
birthdays, showers  
anniversaries,  
meetings & more.

For information  
call 828-879-2129.



Find out more  
about all Valdese  
events at  
visitvaldese.com  
or hear about  
them on our  
local station

WSVM 96.5 FM

225 Main Street  
West Valdese NC

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wsvmradio.com  
828.475.6980



- Come try out Tai Chi, Yoga, or TRX! These popular classes will help strengthen, stretch & center you!
- Thinking about springing into a senior-specific program? We accept Silver Sneakers, Silver and Fit, Renew Active & AARP Supplement Plans! Regardless of age or ability, we have programs for you!
- Lifeguard Training is in March! We're offering the American Red Cross blended online/pool-side course. Passing an in-water skills test is required, and we will test candidates the week of March 11. After passing, candidates will then access the online portion of the class and complete it before the pool sessions March 28-31. Ages 15+, \$92/candidate.
- April is Adult Learn to Swim Month! Visit on Wednesdays from 7-8am if you are interested in learning to swim or improving your swimming skills!
- Join the Valdese Torpedo Masters Swimmers - organized practices Mondays 7-8pm, Wednesdays 6-7am, & Saturdays 8:30-10am - \$30/month and must be an aquatics member.
- April 22: Sign-ups start for the Valdese Torpedo Swim Team, our summer team for ages 5-18. Swimmers need to be able to complete at least one 25-yard length of the pool unassisted. They'll learn the rest from us!
- May 11-May 19: The pool will close for the Bubble to come down. We'll reopen at May 20 at 6am!
- May 27: Sign-ups start for summer swim lessons. We'll kick off lessons on June 10.
- If your child is between the ages of 5 and 16 - Sign-ups for Baseball & Softball start February 22 - March 15. Group Practices will be held at Fletcher Ball Park the week of March 11 and will run through March 15. If you have any question please contact Jesse Bunton at [jbunton@valdesenc.gov](mailto:jbunton@valdesenc.gov), or Jonathan Carter at [jcarter@valdesenc.gov](mailto:jcarter@valdesenc.gov).

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**VALDESE**

**TAKE THE BUS!**  
**Greenway Public Transportation**  
Have you tried our Burke County Flex Bus Routes?  
Take the big, green buses until March 31 for free.  
Routes 23 & 24 cover Valdese.  
**Stops include:**  
Valdese Hospital Outpatient  
Bimbo Bakeries  
Zimmerman Realty  
First Citizens  
Old Rock School  
Main Street & Church Street  
Foot Lion  
Public Housing (Lydia Ave)  
Find out more at [mygreenway.org](http://mygreenway.org)



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*North Carolina's  
Friendly Town*



January 7, 2019  
\* January 31, 2019  
Special Meeting - Announcement  
February 4, 2019  
March 4, 2019  
March 18, 2019  
1-8pm Annual Budget Retreat  
Old Rock School Waldensian Room  
April 1, 2019  
April 15, 2019  
6pm Council Budget Workshop Dinner  
Town Hall Community Room  
May 6, 2019  
June 3, 2019  
June 24, 2019  
Budget Public Hearing; also serves as  
July Council Meeting  
August 5, 2019  
September 3, 2019  
Tuesday Due to Labor Day Holiday  
October 7, 2019  
November 4, 2019  
December 2, 2019

*Town Council Meetings*  
Agendas can be found online at  
[townofvaldese.com](http://townofvaldese.com) the Friday  
before each meeting.

Valdese Citizens,

Our beautiful Town of Valdese could be even prettier if we could eliminate the litter on our streets and roadsides. We are already well known for our recycling program. Wouldn't it be great if we were also recognized as a "Litter-Free Zone"? Valdese Public Works has started their spring litter pick-up, even though the official Spring Litter Sweep is not until April 13-27.

We need volunteers, and the Town will provide safety vests and litter bags with collection service for individuals and groups who want to participate. Several community groups have already organized a clean-up event. To join, or plan your own participation, visit the Public Works section on our town website, or call the Public Works Department at 879-2128. Let's all work together to preserve the beauty of Valdese.

Sincerely,  
Chip Black, Mayor



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NORTH CAROLINA