

Valley Welcome Program

Thank you for your interest in the Carnation Chamber of Commerce Valley Welcome Program!

The purpose of the Valley Welcome is to provide a personal greeting to new residents of Carnation, both within City Limits and within the Greater Carnation area (98014 zip code). The distribution area may increase in the future as resources allow. We will reach out to new residents once a month with information on the Valley, including community resources, maps, businesses, shopping, dining, recreation info and more.

As a business owner or representative, if you would like to participate in the Valley Welcome, it is a benefit of membership through the Carnation Chamber of Commerce. Businesses and organizations must be a member in good standing to contribute to the Valley Welcome program. If you are not yet a member of the Carnation Chamber of Commerce, please get started by filling out a membership application at <http://www.carnationchamber.com/member/newmemberapp/>

What Can A Business Contribute?

Chamber Members are welcome to contribute any item of value to the Valley Welcome program. It is up to the Chamber Member to decide what will be included and what fits within their business goals and marketing budget. Some examples and ideas are listed below:

- A one-time use coupon for the business
- Value-added item such as a sample, freebie, magnet, etc.
- Resource and recreation guides
- Benefits of buying local
- List of events held by the community or business
- Flyer or brochure
- Community information (utilities, farms, historical info, best practices, flood and evacuation info, etc.)
- Information for specific demographics (seniors, families, etc.)

What are the Requirements for Submission?

Items must come from a Chamber Member in good standing.

- Items must be no bigger than 8"x10" paper sheet size or bigger than a shoe box (items will be distributed in reusable tote bags generously donated by Recology-Cleanscapes)
- A maximum of 50 items must be submitted no later than the last day of the month to Carnation City Hall (Open 9:00am-4:30pm Mon-Thurs and 9:00am-3:00pm Friday) to be included in the next month's distribution. Multiple month's submissions may be accepted and are encouraged (note that 50 items will last 6 months to 1 year).

How often will the Valley Welcome bags be distributed?

- It is anticipated that the Chamber will distribute 5-10 Valley Welcome bags per month based on current real estate reports and anticipated home construction. Contributors will be notified when their supply is running low.
- Distribution will occur in the final two weeks of each month
- Volunteers will be recruited to distribute Valley Welcome bags to specific neighborhoods. If you are interested in distributing bags to a neighborhood within the greater Carnation area (including neighborhoods within City limits, Lake Marcel, Lake Joy, Ames Lake, Lake Langlois, Daniels Ranch, etc.), please email info@carnationchamber.com.
- Volunteers will make their best attempt to deliver the bags and provide a personal greeting to the new residents. If a resident is not home, a welcome note will be left with the bag at the home. Extra bags will be left at City Hall for any new residents inadvertently missed.

If your business or organization would like to contribute to be part of the Valley Welcome program, please get started by filling out [this form](#). Any other questions can be directed to Erin at info@carnationchamber.com.

The Valley Welcome Committee upholds the right to change the rules of the Valley Welcome program with 30 days' notice to the Board of Directors of the Carnation Chamber of Commerce and are subject to the Carnation Chamber of Commerce Board approval. *(For example, the Valley Welcome program holds the right to limit the number and type of items submitted for the Valley Welcome program or to charge a separate nominal fee for submission of such items.)*