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Splash into Summer Safety with OCFA and Waterworks Aquatics!

Community members invited to participate in free drowning prevention education and activities

- WHO:** OCFA crews and Waterworks lifeguards will perform a Mock Drowning and Water Rescue. OCFA Community Educators will discuss how parents and babysitters can be prepared for a safe beach or pool outing and by learning the rules of water safety.
- WHAT:** The Orange County Fire Authority and Waterworks Aquatics are teaming up to conduct a Mock Drowning Water Rescue to emphasize how quickly children can drown. Spectators will observe lifeguards and OCFA firefighter paramedics react to and rescue a child who has fallen into the water and is drowning. Representatives from the OCFA and Irvine Police Department will be on hand to answer questions. There will also be face painting, bounce houses, and other fun events taking place. Admission for the event is free.
- WHERE:** 25 Waterworks Way, Irvine CA 92618.
- WHEN:** Sunday, May 15 from 3-6 p.m.
- WHY:** Last year, there were 118 total drowning calls and 50 of those were fatal. Drowning is a preventable tragedy through learning about water safety and education.

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