



Perris Press Release

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Perris Residents Large and Small Enjoy Annual Egg Hunt

The annual Spring Egg Hunt in Perris brought out more than 300 youngsters and their parents who enjoyed a glorious day searching for candy-filled treasures, got their photos taken with the big bunny and enjoyed a breakfast served by City staff and volunteers.

The yearly event always proves popular with Perris families who circle the date sometimes weeks in advance.

"This is amazing," said Tristan De La Torre, who came to the Egg Hunt with his wife, Cindy, and children, Kyra, 3, and Athena, 5. "This is a great get-together for the entire community. It's good for everybody."

De La Torre, who serves in the Navy, said he brought his family to the Egg Hunt so the children could experience "cultural awareness and social interaction" with other youngsters. He said he was impressed with the diversity of those who turned out for the camaraderie and candy. Mom and dad benefitted too.

"It's a great way to spend quality family time," De La Torre said.

Perris City Councilman Julio Rodriguez attended with family and friends and helped serve breakfast. He dispensed sliced oranges to the crowd.

"Events like this are exactly the kind we should be hosting," he said. "Whenever we get Perris kids to come out and have fun, it's a win for all of us. This is what the community likes and enjoys."

Toni Perkins takes advantage of the Egg Hunt every year. It's a great family outing for her family to spend a day together and scoop up some sweet treats. The City Hall Campus makes the perfect venue for youngsters to search for colorful eggs. The low-cost makes it perfect a family on a budget. Perkins family includes daughters Jaymie, 5, Elizabeth, 2, Maria, 3 months and son, Ryan, 4.

"The kids love it and so do I," Perkins said. "I get the chance to let the kids do



Victor Lizarrago, 5, and his brother, Diego, 6, had their picture taken with the Bunny.

something they love to do and gets them out of the house so they aren't cooped up."

Perkins has lived in Perris for 30 years. She said she appreciates the City sponsoring events like the Egg Hunt and is pleased that Perris is in the final stages of a new Downtown park, new apartment and a major road-improvement program.

"This place is growing so fast," she said.

Grandpa Jaye Perkins also made the Egg Hunt.

"I just love the focus on the kids," he said. "Perris is a great town—a great City to live in."

Stella Fregoso was another grandparent who came to the Egg Hunt. She brought her grandson, Anthony Galvan, 18 months, and granddaughter, Kiley Ortega, 2. Every year, she marks the date of the Egg Hunt on her calendar.

"I just love seeing the kids have fun," Fregoso said. "Just watching them and seeing the excitement while they gather up eggs and knowing they're having fun is fun for me. They have a good old time."



Kyra De La Torre, 3, searches for eggs hidden in bales of straw during Saturday's annual Spring Egg Hunt in Perris, an event that drew more than 300 youngsters and their parents.



Cindy De La Torre (left) and her husband, Tristan, brought their daughters, Athena, 5, and Kyra, 3, to the egg hunt. Pictured between the two youngsters is their aunt, Ingrid.



Perris City Councilman Julio Rodriguez serves breakfast at the City of Perris annual Spring Egg Hunt.