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Snow Comes to Perris!



Young Perris residents enjoying last year's Snow Day in Perris.

Snow Day 2017 is going to be bigger than ever.

The City of Perris usually trucks in 21 tons of snow for the annual event, which gives local kids the chance to make snowballs, snow angels and sled down a manmade ramp.

This year, 42 tons have been ordered for Snow Day, which takes place Jan. 21 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Foss Field Park on the City Hall Campus, 101 North D Street.

For many youngsters in warm and sunny Southern California, it's the only time they'll ever get to play in the snow. Recreation Coordinator Rachel Pinedo said she expects up to 800 children to take part in this year's Snow Day fun.

"It's our first big community event of the year and it's a huge hit with kids and their parents," Pinedo said. "I'm excited because it's really fun to see all the kids get excited."

Pinedo's two daughters will be among the kids taking part in Snow Day.

So will Mayor Michael Vargas, a grandfather of six young boys.

"I'll be there," he said. "It's a great example of community engagement. It's all about the kids. It's very important that we provide as many programs as possible and expand on our community engagement. For some of our children this will be the only snow they see. When we can bring it to them, that makes me feel great."

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