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Over 3,000 residents attend WRD's 12th Annual Groundwater Festival

Annual community event to celebrate the "Treasure Beneath Our Feet" featured food, games, prizes and education booths

Lakewood, CA - The Water Replenishment District (WRD) hosted the 12th annual Groundwater Festival this past Saturday May 4, 2019 at the WRD Headquarters in Lakewood.

The annual community event drew residents from throughout WRD's service area who celebrated the "Treasure Beneath Our Feet" with education booths, food, music, festivities, and raffle prizes. A new water efficient washing machine was also raffled off to one lucky resident.

The event honored regional water advocates including Jeff Wood, Vice Mayor of the City of Lakewood; Madelyn Glickfield, Director at the UCLA Water Resources Group; Victor Griego, Water Education for Latino Leaders; and Juan Perez, Magnet School Coordinator at Nimitz STEM Magnet Middle School.

"We are thrilled that so many residents attended this year's Groundwater Festival, said WRD Board President John D.S. Allen. "It's a great opportunity to educate the public about water sustainability and groundwater replenishment, all within a fun and dynamic family-friendly event."

WRD is the largest groundwater agency in the State of California and is responsible for managing and protecting local groundwater resources for over four million residents. The need for sustainable and local water resources is imperative to ensure the reliability the region's water supply. WRD is currently on track to becoming completely independent from costly imported water by the end of this year.

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About WRD: The Water Replenishment District (WRD) is the largest groundwater agency in the State of California, managing and protecting local groundwater resources for four million residents. WRD's service area covers a 420-square-mile region of southern Los Angeles County, the most populated county in the United States. The 43 cities in the service area, including a portion of the City of Los Angeles, use about 250,000 acre-feet (82 billion gallons) of groundwater annually which accounts for approximately half of the region's water supply.