

# Come Home to *Old Town Montrose for Christmas*

If you are looking for an old-fashioned Christmas experience, we invite you to come home to *Old Town Montrose*. Our family owned and/or operated shops, dressed up beautifully for the holiday season, offer unique gifts for everyone on your list- from pets to kids to family and friends!

And when you need a break from shopping, our many restaurants, cafes and bakeries offer great choices for a quick bite of lunch, a leisurely dinner, or just a bit of sugar to satisfy your sweet tooth!

This year, as an alternative to the chaos of the holiday season, our charming town is celebrating **White Friday** on Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup>. Many stores will be “whiting out” the sales tax on items, offering special promotions, hosting open houses or offering complimentary goodies - just look for the **snowflake** to find participating stores. The 2200 block of Honolulu Avenue will be closed for strolling carolers, a play area for the kids with real snow and the first annual Holiday Tree and Town Lighting ceremony at 7:00 pm.

Our wonderful weekend traditions of horse drawn trolley and pony rides, strolling carolers, Christmas music and Santa Claus continue this year! The horse drawn trolley provides complimentary rides up and down Honolulu Avenue on Saturdays and Sundays. Free handled pony rides are available for the kids on Saturdays and Santa Claus can be seen strolling and handing out candy canes Saturdays and Sundays. There will be live Christmas music on the streets and an expanded Kid’s Zone in the Sunday Market that includes a petting zoo!

Leave the overcrowded malls and long lines behind and come spend the holidays in charming, old town Montrose. There’s plenty of free parking, wonderful shops and amazing food - truly something for everyone.

## **Schedule of Events:**

### ***Saturdays:***

Santa Claus – 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Free Horse Drawn Trolley Rides along Honolulu Avenue - 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Free Pony Rides - 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

CV High “*Charismatics*” Carolers – Noon to 1 p.m.

Live Christmas music along the Avenue

### ***Sundays:***

Santa Claus - 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Free Horse Drawn Trolley Rides along Honolulu Avenue - 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Montrose Harvest Market with Ponies & Petting Zoo - 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Live Christmas music along the Avenue