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Sebastopol Community Newsletter

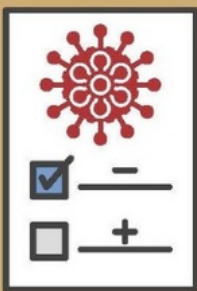
Please visit socoemergency.org for the most up-to-date information on the coronavirus crisis in Sonoma County.

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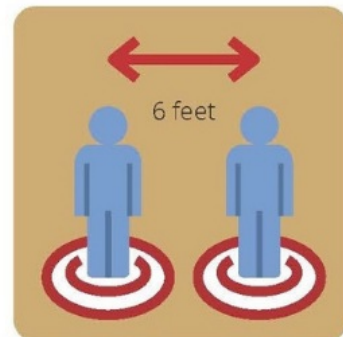
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GET TESTED



WEAR A MASK



STAY 6 FEET APART



WASH YOUR HANDS



AVOID CROWDS



GET VACCINATED

SONOMA COUNTY NOW IN THE ORANGE TIER



Sonoma County is now in the orange tier of California's Blueprint for a Safer Economy

April 7, 2021

Sonoma County moved into the orange tier as of April 7th, allowing more businesses to reopen or expand operations indoors.

See the full [Press Release](#) for what moving from the red tier into the orange tier for the county means.

For more information, visit <https://covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy/> and [SoCoEmergency.org](https://www.socoemergency.org).



**Residents 50+ years of age
are now eligible for vaccines**

Sonoma County residents 50+ years of age are now eligible for COVID-19 vaccines at several county clinics and pharmacies across the county. Proof of age will be required, appointments are necessary and vaccines are provided are at no cost. <https://t.co/Hd2i9mF9yR>

COVID POP-UP TESTING LOCATION AT ST. SEBASTIAN ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

CLICK LINK FOR DETAILS

[ST. SEBASTIAN ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH](#)

Increased testing will help our county to move to less restrictive tiers.

CITY OF SEBASTOPOL RECENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN SUSTAINABILITY

With Earth Day coming up on April 22nd we want to celebrate by highlighting the City of Sebastopol's recent accomplishments in sustainability.

- [New Solar Panels at Ives Pool & Public Works](#)
- [BayREN Water Upgrades \\$ave Program](#)
- [Water bottle filling drinking fountains](#)
- Three-Stream waste containers
- EV charging stations tech upgrades
- Earth Day 50th Anniversary events
- [Climate Action Committee creation](#)



- Letters of Support for Circular Economy & Plastic Pollution Acts: SB 54 & AB 1080
- [Sonoma County Energy Independence Program \(SCEIP\) for residents to finance seismic & wildfire safety improvements](#)
- Support re-establishment of CRV Redemption Stations
- Support Clean Energy in the COVID-19 Recovery Stimulus Package
- Electronic signatures & campaign filing
- [Climate Resolution](#)
- Support Save Solar In Sebastopol
- Climate Safe California Platform endorsement

Coming Soon: We'll be publishing a complete list of the City's recent accomplishments to the City's website.

HAPPY NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK!



Wherever you are



Whoever you are

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

April 4-10, 2021



It's National Library week (April 4-10), and we'd like to remind you of all the fantastic free services your library offers. Libraries are for everyone, and there's sure to be something you'll love!

- Peruse the [catalog](#) of eBooks, eAudiobooks, physical titles, and more! Need inspiration? Check out the curated [list of new and noteworthy titles](#).
- Bust out your favorite device and dive into the [eResources](#). Enjoy services like [hoopla Digital](#) (streamable comics, music, TV, movies, eAudiobooks, and eBooks) and [Kanopy](#) (a streaming movie collection). Learn a new skill with [LinkedIn Learning](#) or a new language with [Mango](#)!
- Visit your local library for [curbside services](#), including pickups and returns. Order some new library materials today by calling your branch or requesting through the [catalog](#).

We'd like to give a special shout out to our local library branch. Thank you for keeping us going during the pandemic and for always being there for us even when you couldn't be there in person.

Feel like showing Sonoma County Library some social media love during National Library Week? Use #NationalLibraryWeek and #SCLLOVE and don't forget to tag @sonomalibrary!

COVID-19 FINANCIAL RELIEF

American Rescue Plan

All funding programs below will be administered by the Small Business Administration (SBA).



Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program (EIDL)

[Click here for more information](#)

Shuttered Venue Operators Grant (SVOG)

Status: Opening on/around April 8, 2021

[Preliminary Application Checklist](#)

[FAQ](#)

Restaurant Revitalization Fund (RRF)

Status: COMING SOON!

NEW: Community Navigator Pilot Program

[Click here for more information](#)

Targeted EIDL Advanced Grant

Status: Eligible applicants contacted by SBA

[Click here for more information](#)

CA Small Business COVID-19 Relief Grant Program

[Click here for more information](#)

PARTICIPATE IN THE "ADOPT A LANDSCAPE" PROGRAM AND HELP BEAUTIFY SEBASTOPOL



Looking for a fun and meaningful way to get out of the house and help beautify our community now that spring is here? Consider adopting one of the "bulb-outs" or other landscaped areas around town. Learn more [here](#).



ZERO WASTE SONOMA HOSTING FREE TREATED WOOD WASTE DISPOSAL EVENT APRIL 25

Zero Waste Sonoma is offering a **free** treated wood waste (TWW) disposal event on **Sunday, April 25th** in the northern Santa Rosa area. This event is for residents of Sonoma County only, no businesses. State transportation laws limit each vehicle to a maximum of 125 pounds of hazardous waste. The address of the location will be emailed to you once you confirm an appointment.



This [calendar](#) shows time slots that are available for the drop-off of TWW. To make an appointment, click on the time slot you'd prefer. There are 160 available appointments between the hours of 9 am to 5 pm and a confirmation email will be sent to you for your records.

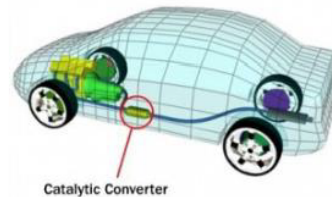
THIEVES ARE STILL ON THE PROWL FOR CATALYTIC CONVERTERS IN SEBASTOPOL



SEBASTOPOL POLICE DEPARTMENT
6850 Laguna Park Way
Sebastopol, CA 95472
(707) 829-4400

WARNING!

A catalytic converter is located underneath your car and is attached to your exhaust system. Since catalytic converters contain expensive metals like platinum, palladium and rhodium, they are often stolen and “scrapped” for a quick profit. Thieves often use power saws in the middle of the night to quickly cut the converters off. The City of Sebastopol and other parts of Sonoma County have recently seen an increase in the number of catalytic converter thefts. If you have a Toyota Prius, you’re most at risk.



Below are some prevention tips that can help reduce your risk.

- Parking in your enclosed garage is always best.
- If parked outside, park in front of high-resolution security cameras and motion lights.
- Install a catalytic converter protection device (usually around \$500).
- Etch your converter with your vehicle’s license plate number in several different locations.
- If your converter is stolen, file a police report immediately after the theft is discovered.
- Spread community awareness. Thieves sometimes strike repeatedly in the same neighborhoods so it’s good for the neighbors to be aware.

If you see or hear anything suspicious, call us immediately at (707) 829-4400.

IMPORTANT: Please be sure to report all thefts immediately to Sebastopol PD so they can continue to take steps to mitigate this criminal activity.

WATER CONSERVATION TIPS FROM SAVE OUR WATER

[Save Our Water](#) is a statewide, water conservation program created in 2009 by the Association of California Water Agencies and the California Department of Water Resources. The program's goal is to make water conservation a daily habit among Californians.



SLOW CAT'S TREASURE HUNT FOR KIDS!!



Slow Cat's Treasure Hunt runs through April 29, 2021. Children are invited to look for Slow Cat stickers placed throughout Libby Park and Playground and mark sticker locations on a map. Download a map [here](#) or pick one up from the Little Free Library box at the playground or the City Hall breezeway.

QUESTIONS? outreach@cityofsebastopol.org or (707) 823-1153

MAP YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD EMERGENCY AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS NEWS

Introduction to MYN:

Provided through the Map Your Neighborhood (MYN) Program as part of the Sebastopol Fire Department's support of community preparedness. Open to all Sebastopol area residents.

Introduction to MYN - 60-minute Zoom class. Learn the 9 steps of the MYN program to help neighborhoods prepare for emergencies and disasters.

- April 21 from 6:30-7:30 pm

The Sebastopol Neighborhood Communication Unit (SNCU):

Part of the MYN Program, SNCU is a radio communications network that will connect MYN neighborhoods to each other and to a central base station housed within the Sebastopol Fire Department. Neighbors using handheld radios are the most important link in this communications plan. Monthly skills training classes are being scheduled now.

To sign up or learn more about these and other preparedness programs, contact Skip Jirrels, Sebastopol Fire department Public Safety Outreach Coordinator at sjirrels@cityofsebastopol.org or 707-799-2204.



RECOLOGY LIVE ZOOM SERIES - "ASK A WASTE ZERO EXPERT"



Learn more about what goes where and get your recycling, compost, garbage, and hazardous waste questions answered.

Friday, April 16th
11:30am - 12:30pm
[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

SPRING HOUSING PRESENTATIONS APRIL 13 - MAY 25

Spring Housing Presentations



City of Sebastopol

Spring 2021



The Sebastopol Planning Commission will be hosting a series of presentations on innovative housing models in the Spring of 2021. Please join us for these informational sessions to learn more!

Links to meetings will be available the Thursday prior to the meeting at:
<https://ci.sebastopol.ca.us/Meeting-Event.aspx>

EAH Housing April 13, 2021

EAH is a non-profit affordable housing developer based in Marin County, which has been developing and managing affordable housing for 50 years. Their vision is “creating inclusive neighborhoods with thriving socioeconomic and cultural diversity for generations to come, through well-designed affordable housing and a commitment to stewardship and residents’ quality of life through services.” Marianne Lim and Scott Johnson, Director of Business Development – www.eahhousing.org will present.

Burbank Housing April 27, 2021

Burbank Housing is a non-profit affordable housing developer based in Sonoma County, with two housing communities in the City of Sebastopol (Gravenstein North Apartments and Bodega Hills Apartments). Rich Wallach, Co-Director of Housing Development for Burbank, will discuss working with religious organizations to develop housing opportunities.

MidPen Housing

May 11, 2021

MidPen was the developer for the teacher housing project in San Francisco's Sunset District <https://www.sfexaminer.com/the-city/more-teacher-housing-projects-in-the-works/> Ali Gaylord, Director of Housing Development – North Bay, will present.

Eden Housing

May 25, 2021

Eden Housing is an affordable housing developer and operator based in Hayward, California. They have partnered with cities throughout the Bay Area, including communities in Healdsburg, Petaluma, and Marin. Andrea Osgood, VP of Real Estate Development and Nick Randall, a Sebastopol resident, will present. www.edenhousing.org

WOULD YOU MAKE A GOOD GRAND JUROR?

The Civil Grand Jury is an important part of our shared democracy; ensuring that the Civil Grand Jury members are representative of our diverse community is important to its success.

Serving as a Civil Grand Juror is a privilege. As concerns and interests of citizens of the county are investigated, grand jurors learn about the administration and operation of Sonoma County agencies.



The Civil Grand Jury spends a significant amount of time examining aspects of local government, ensuring that funds are used prudently and that the county is governed honestly and efficiently.

If you are interested in serving as a Civil Grand Juror, click [here](#) or submit a request with a self-addressed stamped envelope to:

Sonoma County Superior Court
Attn: Court Administration, Rm 106-J 600 Administration Dr.
Santa Rosa, California 95403

For further information visit the [website](#) or call (707) 521-6501.

Application Due Date: **Friday, May 21, 2021**

Superior Court of California

County of Sonoma



WE NEED YOU!

- If you'd like to help increase efficiency within Sonoma County local government agencies, save taxpayer dollars and improve services...
- If you listen well and can cooperate with others to reach common goals...
- If you are discreet and can do confidential work...
- If you can ask meaningful questions, review confidential documents and write reports...
- If you can commit to serving the County for a year...
- **If you can do these things, then you can**

Make a Difference...
BECOME A CIVIL GRAND JUROR

2021-2022 Application Deadline

Friday, May 21, 2021

BAY AREA BIKE MONTH IS JUST 3 WEEKS AWAY

PRESENTED BY  METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION 



May is National Bike Month, created by the League of American Cyclists in 1956 to promote the benefits of bicycling and encourage more folks to give it a try. In preparation for local festivities, the [Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition](#) (SCBC) has opened nominations for two awards: Bicycle Champion of the Year and Bike-Friendly Business of the Year.

Other Bike to Wherever events include; a virtual pre-Bike to Wherever Day bike clinic; Safe Cycling classes; and Bike to Wherever Day Energizer Stations on Friday May 21st.

RENTAL AND UTILITY ASSISTANCE FOR WEST COUNTY RESIDENTS

Rental and utility assistance may be available to West County residents who meet the following criteria:

1. Can document that they owe back rent or utility payments as a result of the loss of income due to COVID-19 (as far back as March 2020)
2. Did not receive any rental or utility support through the previous CARES program from October-December 2020, from any agency.

For more information, or to apply to the program, please visit the West County Community Services website at westcountyservices.org or River to Coast Children's Services rccservices.org para asistencia en español.

We anticipate the program will operate through April 30 or when funds are exhausted.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR CITY BUDGET MEETINGS

Public Meeting

June 1, 2021
Tuesday After 6pm

City Council Budget and Street Lighting Assessment District Hearings.

Public Meeting

June 15, 2021
Tuesday After 6pm

City Council Adoption of Final Budget and the Street Lighting Assessment District.

COVID-19 VACCINE INFORMATION

Information on vaccines and the availability of vaccination appointments in our county changes rapidly.

Please visit Socoemergency.org for the most current updates.



YOUR CITY NEEDS YOU!

HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC MEETINGS



DURING THE PANDEMIC

Attend One City Council Meeting per Month.

Public participation is the cornerstone of our community. One impact of pandemic restrictions on public gatherings is that it's easier than ever to attend City Council meetings virtually and make your voice heard. These meetings typically take place the first and third Tuesday of each month and begin at 6:00 PM. Here's how to log in and participate. <https://bit.ly/3tVZF4K>

Click image for new infographic on how to participate in virtual City Council meetings.



TAKE THE TAKEOUT PLEDGE

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Once a Week is All We Ask

Join Mayor Una Glass and Vice Mayor Sarah Glade Gurney in pledging to order takeout once each week from one of our local restaurants. If even half the households in Sebastopol were to participate, it would go a long way towards helping to keep our local restaurants in business and many local residents employed. The dozens of restaurants in Sebastopol offer everything from budget friendly pizzas and tacos to fine dining. Most restaurants offer online ordering and curbside pickup, and some even deliver.

Check out the [City's Open Businesses](#) page or the [Chamber of](#)

[Commerce's](#) site to see what's open and offering special services, and take The Takeout Pledge! With support from local news app Townsy, you can now [sign up](#) to take the Takeout Pledge to receive additional information, special offers, and discounts from local restaurants.

ASK SLOW CAT!

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: Which Native American tribe or tribes inhabited Sebastopol before white people showed-up? Have archaeologists found campsites and/or artifacts?



ANSWER: We reached out to several tribal organizations to help answer this question. Nicole Lim, Executive Director of The California Indian Museum and Cultural Center (www.cimcc.org) was kind enough to share the following information with us: "Sebastopol is part of the ancestral territory of the Coast Miwok people. The area includes traditional tribal village and archeological sites, which are located in this region and throughout the greater state of California." Nicole adds, "Tribal sites should not be disturbed. Consultation with the Federated Tribes of Graton Rancheria Cultural Monitoring program and the Native American Heritage Commission is required."

This is a big topic! We would like to find out more about the lives of the Miwok and the archeological discoveries in our area. We have lots of feelers out. If we receive additional details, we will add them in a future edition of "Ask Slow Cat."

P.S. The CIMCC website is a fascinating resource to learn more about California's early inhabitants.

Have a question about the town we all know and love? Want to know more about the history of Sebastopol? We want to answer your questions. Submit a question via email to by clicking the button below. We'll post answers in our weekly newsletter and on our Facebook page.

[Submit A Question](#)

COVID-19 TESTING LOCATIONS FOR APRIL 12-18



COUNTY OF SONOMA

COVID-19 TESTING LOCATIONS

Free, convenient, confidential COVID-19 testing is available to all Sonoma County residents, regardless of document status

Monday, April 12

Molecular Matrix @ Luma Fitness, 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM
800 Petaluma Boulevard South, Petaluma

Alexander Valley Healthcare, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
6 Tarman Dr., Cloverdale (FQHC)

Center for Spiritual Living, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
2075 Occidental Rd, Santa Rosa (DHS)

St. Leo's Catholic Church, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
601 Agua Caliente Rd W Sonoma (Curative)

Alliance Medical Center, 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM
1381 University Ave., Healdsburg (FQHC)

Redemption Hill Church, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
2100 Petaluma Hill Rd, Santa Rosa (DHS)

Tuesday, April 13

A Place to Play Park, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
2375 W 3rd St, Santa Rosa (DHS)

Burton Avenue Recreation Center, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
7421 Burton Ave, Rohnert Park (DHS)

Coddingtontown, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
1000 Coddingtontown Center (near Suite 101) Santa Rosa (DHS)

Rincon Valley Unified School District, 10 AM - 4:00 PM
1000 Yulupa Ave., Santa Rosa (Curative)

St. Sebastian Roman Catholic Church, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
7983 Covert Ln, Sebastopol (DHS)

Petaluma HC - Rohnert Park, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
5900 State Farm Dr., Rohnert Park (FQHC)

Petaluma Valley Baptist Church, 2:00 - 4:00 PM
580 Sonoma Mountain Parkway, Petaluma (DHS)

Wednesday, April 14

Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
8400 Old Redwood Hwy, Windsor (DHS)

Russian River Senior Resource Center, 9:30 - 11:30 AM
15010 Armstrong Woods Rd, Guerneville (DHS)

Healdsburg Day Labor Center, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
405 Grove St., Healdsburg (Curative)

Sonoma Valley Community Health, 2:00 - 4:00 PM
601 Agua Caliente Rd W, Sonoma - St. Leo's (FQHC)

Thursday, April 15

Cloverdale Senior Center, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
311 N Main St, Cloverdale (DHS)

Redemption Hill Church, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
2100 Petaluma Hill Rd, Santa Rosa (DHS)

Santa Rosa Community HC, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Vista Campus 3569 Round Barn Cir., Santa Rosa (FQHC)

Resurrection Roman Catholic Parish 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
303 Stony Point Rd., Santa Rosa (Curative)

Coddingtontown, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
1000 Coddingtontown Center (near Suite 101) Santa Rosa (DHS)

Friday, April 16

Andy's Unity Park, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
3399 Moorland Ave, Santa Rosa (DHS)

Sonoma Valley Church of the Nazarene, 9:30 - 11:30 AM
18980 Arnold Dr, Sonoma (DHS)

Burton Avenue Recreation Center, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
7421 Burton Ave, Rohnert Park (Curative)

LHI Mobile bus, 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Sonoma, site to be determined (LHI)

Bayer Farm, 2:00 - 4:00 PM
1550 West Ave, Santa Rosa (DHS)

Healdsburg Community Center, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
1557 Healdsburg Ave, Healdsburg (DHS)

Saturday, April 17

Molecular Matrix @ Luma Fitness, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
800 Petaluma Boulevard South, Petaluma

Coddingtontown, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
1000 Coddingtontown Center, Santa Rosa (Curative)

LHI Mobile Bus, 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Sonoma, site to be determined (LHI)

Sunday, April 18

Molecular Matrix @ Luma Fitness, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
800 Petaluma Boulevard South, Petaluma

Coddingtontown, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
1000 Coddingtontown Center, Santa Rosa (Curative)

We are now offering Department of Health Service (DHS) pop-up testing, as well as testing opportunities with Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC), Curative, LHI, HRSupport, and Molecular Matrix:

- DHS/FQHC: Make an appointment @ sonomacounty.fullslate.com or call (707) 565-4667.
- Curative: Appointments must be made on the Curative website @ curative.com.
- LHI: Call (888) 634-1123 or make an appointment @ lhi.care/covidtesting.
- Molecular Matrix: Make an appointment @ molecularmatrix.com/covidtesting.

SoCoEmergency.org

COVID-19 & HEALTH UPDATES

LEGAL AID OF SONOMA COUNTY IS HERE TO HELP PEOPLE IMPACTED BY COVID-19

If you have employment questions, benefits questions, tenant protections questions, or any other legal issues related to the pandemic, please contact Legal Aid of Sonoma County. Visit their website [here](#) for more information.



HANDWASHING STATION LOCATIONS IN DOWNTOWN SEBASTOPOL

To help make our community safer during the COVID-19 pandemic, the City of Sebastopol set up a number of handwashing stations throughout the downtown area. Click [here](#) for a list of locations.



**MASK UP,
BACK UP
& WASH UP**



Simple mitigation measures of social distancing, wearing face coverings and washing hands will allow us to control the spread of the disease while we work to immunize our community through vaccine distribution.

Thank you for doing your part.

[SoCoEmergency.org](https://www.socountyemergency.org)

Click [here](#) for more information on staying safe with good hygiene, masks, and social distance.

NEED HELP WITH ESSENTIAL RESOURCES?

Visit the [2-1-1 Free Referral Service](#) website if you have questions or needs.

For additional assistance, resources, and help with essential needs, see the [SoCo Emergency](#) resources webpage.

UTILITIES & ESSENTIAL CITY SERVICES WILL CONTINUE

Click [here](#) for information on Utilities and how to reach City Departments.

CREDIBLE SOURCES FOR COVID-19 UPDATES

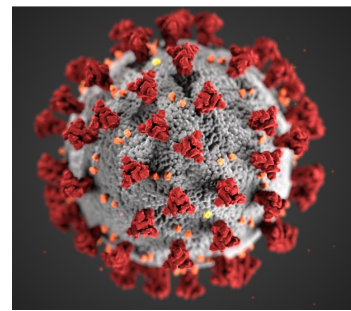
[California Department of Public Health](#)

[County of Sonoma Department of Health Services](#)

[SoCo Emergency Page](#)

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#)

[World Health Organization \(WHO\)](#)



EMERGENCY SAFETY & PREPAREDNESS

FIRE SEASON IS COMING! HARDEN YOUR HOME!

Fire Chief Bill Braga and CalFire want to remind us that fire season is coming.

Now is the time to harden your home and property to better withstand wildfire.

See [readyforwildfire.org](https://www.readyforwildfire.org) for more information.



SIGN UP FOR ALERTS

Make sure that you have signed up for:

[SoCoAlerts](#); and

Nixle Alerts (either [online](#) or by texting your zip code to 888777)

It is important to register for both types of alerts. If you receive Nixle alerts, read them thoroughly and click on any links.

Text Fire or Fuego (for Spanish) to 211-211 for updates.

More information on alerts may be found [here](#).

KNOW YOUR ALERTS

The City of Sebastopol uses multiple notifications and warning systems to make sure emergency alerts are delivered to the people who need the information.



Emergency Alert System (EAS) - No Registration Required

National public warning system that will interrupt local broadcast tv and radio programming to provide an alert in the event of a large-scale emergency.



Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA) - No Registration Required

Urgent alerts sent as text-like messages to your mobile phone based on your location (you will only receive notification if you are in the area of the emergency). WEAs have three alert categories– Imminent Threat, AMBER, Presidential. You must keep the factory settings on to your WEA- capable phone to receive a WEA.



SoCoAlert - Registration Required

Emergency notification service providing Sonoma County first responders the ability to alert residents by landline or mobile phone, text message and email about imminent threats to life and property in specific impacted areas. Register all addresses that you'd like to receive alerts for (work, child's school, etc.). You don't have to be in the location of the emergency to receive alert.

Must register at SoCoAlert.com OR call (866) 939-0911, press "0" at the menu, ask operator for assistance with registering for SoCoAlert.



Nixle - Registration Required

Community information service managed by Sonoma County Fire District and Sonoma County Sheriff's Office. Community messages are sent to email, and for critical emergencies, Alert messages are sent via text message and email (notifications are NOT delivered by phone call). Customize your settings at nixle.com to control which types of notifications you receive. Must register at nixle.com or text your zip code to 888-777



Local Radio and Television

Local news broadcasters to provide updates during an emergency. Tune radio to 1350 AM, 103.5 FM, 100.1 FM, 89.1 FM (bilingual), 98.7 FM (Spanish); watch preferred local TV news channel.



Hi/Lo Sirens

Sebastopol police cars and fire department vehicles are outfitted with new Hi/Lo sirens, a different sound than traditional sirens. This European-style, 2-tone siren will only be used in an emergency to alert residents within specific areas of the need to evacuate.

Other Ways to Stay Informed

Sebastopol Police Dept. 
Sebastopol Fire Dept. 
City of Sebastopol  



More information on emergency alerts and notifications at SoCoEmergency.org

Thank you to the City of Santa Rosa for sharing their graphics.

**FOR NON-EMERGENCY SUPPORT
FOR FIRES IN SONOMA COUNTY
DIAL 2-1-1 OR TEXT "FIRE" TO 211-211**

**PARA AYUDA CON LOS INCENDIOS EN EL CONDADO
DE SONOMA QUE NO SEA DE EMERGENCIA,
MARQUE 2-1-1 O MANDE UN MENSAJE DE TEXTO
CON LA PALABRA "FUEGO" AL 211-211.**

FREE + AVAILABLE 24/7 GRATIS + DISPONIBLE 24/7



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ARE YOU FLOOD READY?

The rainy season runs from October to May. The most severe flooding historically occurs between December and March. During this time you should be aware of anticipated weather conditions and take appropriate actions.

Know the flood warning signals: The Police, Fire Department, Public Works Department and Emergency Manager for the city are notified of rising floodwaters. Listen for Flood Warnings on local TV, and radio station KRSO 1350. Sign up for local alerts on your mobile phone. ***Be sure to heed the flood warnings.***

What can you do now to prepare?

Find out if you live in or near a flood zone
Have a personal/family emergency plan
Have personal/family/pet disaster kits prepared
REMEMBER: *Turn around, don't drown*

Disaster Preparedness information is available on the Sebastopol Fire Department [website](#).

For more information on preparing for floods and other disasters go to:

<https://socoemergency.org/get-ready/>

<https://myhazards.caloes.ca.gov>

<https://www.fema.gov>

<https://water.ca.gov>

Information on power outages during a disaster and other safety information from PG&E can be found at [PG&E natural disaster Safety page](#)



CITY NEWS

REGULAR CITY BUSINESS CONTINUES

Administrative Services:

- Administrative Service staff are available by phone or email for questions. Please email customerservice@cityofsebastopol.org; or call **707-823-7863** and leave a message and someone will respond to you.

Building Department:

- The Building Department is open and operating regular office hours - Monday - Thursday 7am to 5:30pm, Closed 12pm to 12:30pm.
- The Building Department is located inside the Fire Station.

City Manager's Office:

- City Hall is closed, but staff are available by phone or email for questions. Please email info@cityofsebastopol.org; or call **707-823-1153** and leave a message and someone will respond to you.
- City staff encourage the public to keep up with news and updates by following the City's [Facebook](#) page and checking out Council videos.

Engineering Department:

- The Engineering Department is open and operating regular office hours - Monday to Thursday 7am to 5:30pm. The Engineering Department is located in the Public Works office. Please note signage on door with instructions for safe interaction with staff.

Fire Department:

- The Fire Department is open and continuing to provide fire response and emergency services as usual.
- The Fire Department lobby is open during normal business hours Monday - Thursday 7am to 5:30pm, Closed 12pm to 12:30pm.

Planning Department:

- The Planning Department is (virtually) open Monday - Thursday 7am to 5:30pm (Closed 12pm to 12:30pm) and continues to accept applications. Staff is available via email or phone (707-823-6167). Planning is accepting new applications; please contact staff for instructions for submittals. Click [here](#) for details.

Police Department:

- Lobby is open to the public. For non-life-or-safety-threatening situations, we encourage the public to call the 24/7 police non-emergency line at **707-829-4400**. As always, in the event of emergency, call **911**.
- [Sebastopol Police Log March 29 - April 4](#)

Public Works Department:

- The Public Works Department is open and operating regular office hours - Monday to Thursday 7am to 5:30pm. Please note signage on door with instructions for safe interaction with staff.
- Water and sewer utility systems continue to be monitored and maintained.

CITY MEETINGS

All meetings will be held virtually and are open to the public to attend via web or phone link.

Agendas for upcoming meetings can be found on the City website by clicking the [“Meetings”](#) link on the home page. Agendas will contain information about participating virtually in real time when this feature is available.

City Council Meetings:

- **Meeting Days:** First and Third Tuesday of each month
- **Meeting Time:** 6pm

- **Livestream Link:** <http://bit.ly/sebcctv>
- To submit comments before the meeting:
 - **For Items Not on the Agenda:** Members of the public may submit written emails/comments for items not on the agenda either by email as a public record or by public comment during the public comment period of the virtual City Council meeting. All written emails/comments will be provided to the entire City Council as a public record but will not be read into the minutes at the City Council meeting. Written emails/comments should be received by 5:00 pm of the Council Meeting Date for submission to the entire City Council prior to the meeting and will be included as a part of the record of the meeting. Please submit your comments via email for this meeting to mgourley@cityofsebastopol.org
 - **For Items Listed on the Agenda:** Members of the public may submit written emails/comments for items listed on the agenda either by email as a public record or by public comment during the public comment period of the agenda item during the virtual City Council meeting. **Email comments must identify the Agenda Item Number in the subject line of the email.** All written emails/comments will be provided to the entire City Council as a public record but will not be read into the minutes at the City Council meeting. Written emails/comments should be received by 5:00 pm of the Council Meeting Date for submission to the entire City Council prior to the meeting and will be included as a part of the record of the meeting. Please submit your comments via email for this meeting to mgourley@cityofsebastopol.org
- **Next Meeting:** [City Council Meeting of April 20, 2021 @ 6:00 PM](#)

Planning Commission Meetings:

- **Meeting Days:** Second and Fourth Tuesday of each month
- **Meeting Time:** 7pm
- **Livestream Link:** <http://bit.ly/sebcctv>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to kvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org
- **Next Meeting:** [Planning Commission Meeting of April 13, 2021 @ 7:00 PM](#)

(NOTE: All meetings will be held virtually and are open to the public to attend via web or phone link. Information for meeting attendance can be found here: <https://www.ci.sebastopol.ca.us/Meeting-Event.aspx>)

Design Review Board Meetings:

- **Meeting Days:** First and Third Wednesday of each month
- **Meeting Time:** 4pm
- **Livestream Link:** <http://bit.ly/sebcctv>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to amontes@cityofsebastopol.org
- **Next Meeting:** [Design Review Board Meeting of April 21, 2021 @ 4:00 PM](#)

Public Arts Committee Meetings:

- **Meeting Days:** First Wednesday of each month
- **Meeting Time:** 10:30am
- **Livestream Link:** <http://bit.ly/sebcctv>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to amontes@cityofsebastopol.org
- **Next Meeting:** [Public Arts Committee Meeting of May 5, 2021 @ 10:30AM](#)



GENERAL INFO



Check out the Sebastopol Area Senior Center's weekly and monthly virtual classes and workshops!

The classes include Chair Sail, Chair Yoga, Gentle Yoga, 10 Series Lecture on A Psychological Approach to the Old Testament, Support Groups, and more.

Click [here](#) to see what classes are available and to register.

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[12 Resources for Emergency Closings](#) that include activities, lesson plans, and videos organized by grade and subject area.



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