

City of Sebastopol Community Newsletter

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June 18 - June 24 Special Weekly Edition of Sebastopol Community Newsletter

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

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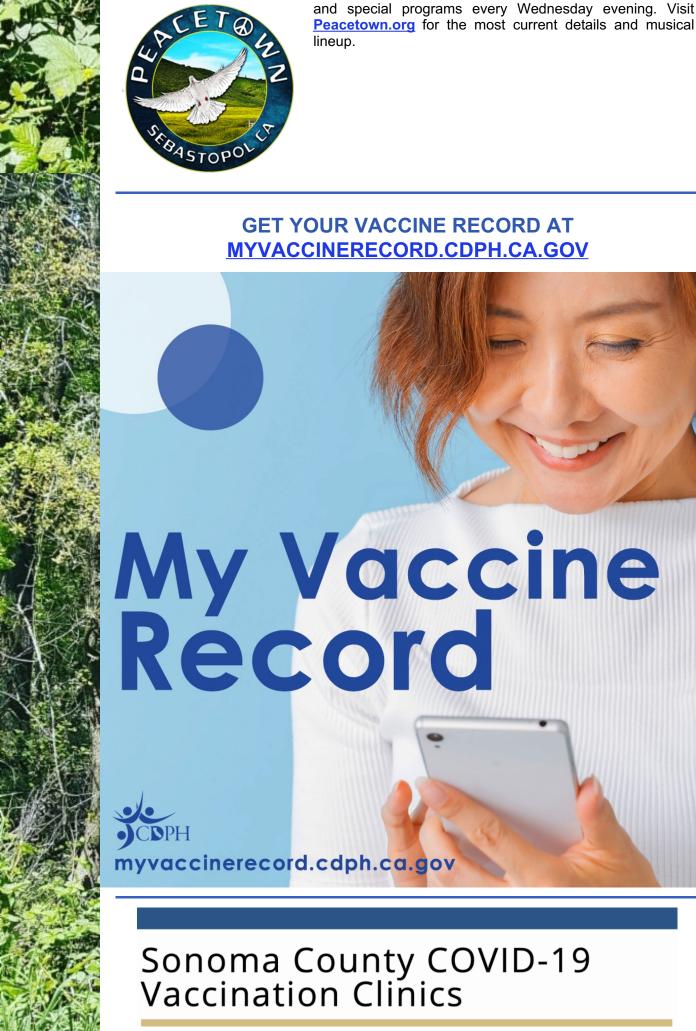
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PEACETOWN SUMMER CONCERT SERIES RETURNS!

...and all of Sebastopol becomes Peacetown, USA every Wednesday evening from 4:30-7:30 from July 7th to September 8th. The <u>Peacetown Summer Concert Series</u> has traditionally been held at Ives Park. Because of the uncertainty around COVID restrictions, Peacetown has relocated to The Barlow and will now include all of the cultural treasures of Sebastopol. Select downtown and Main Street restaurants, merchants and galleries (including the Sebastopol Center for the Arts) will offer expanded hours



Peacetown.org for the most current details and musical





See the **SoCoEmergency Calendar** for a list of upcoming vaccination clinics in the County.

CITY OF SEBASTOPOL AND SEBASTOPOL FIRE DEPARTMENT LAUNCH SEBASTOPOLREADY.ORG

During a large local emergency, the Sebastopol Fire Department and other area first responders will deploy personnel and equipment to the areas where they are needed most. With resources likely stretched thin, many areas will be on their own





for hours, days, or longer. The City of Sebastopol and Sebastopol Fire Department have launched <u>SebastopolReady.org</u>, an emergency and disaster preparedness and readiness resource with information on how neighbors can prepare to provide care, safety and comfort simply by working together. The Sebastopol Fire Department supports neighbors helping neighbors and provides a proven 9 step framework for each neighborhood to use and build upon.

The new resource has been a collaborative effort with the Map Your Neighborhood (MYN) Leader Council and brings together the emphasis and efforts of the MYN Program to help residents learn to work together. The primary goal of SebastopolReady.org is to help our local residents continue in their interest and efforts to take responsibility for themselves during emergencies.

<u>SebastopolReady.org</u> is intended to evolve as resiliency improves and expands in the future.

PG&E VIRTUAL WILDFIRE SAFETY WEBINAR - JUNE 30



PG&E hosts online <u>webinars</u> throughout each year for anyone who is interested in learning more about their Community Wildfire Safety Program. These virtual gatherings allow community members to learn more about wildfire safety and emergency preparedness, meet with PG&E representatives, ask questions and share feedback.

Wildfire Safety Regional Webinar - Sonoma, Marin

Date: June 30, 2021 **Time:** 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Join Webinar

Toll-Free Attendee Dial-In: 1-866-501-6088

Conference ID: 3497820

SCULPTURE GARDEN CALL FOR ARTISTS!

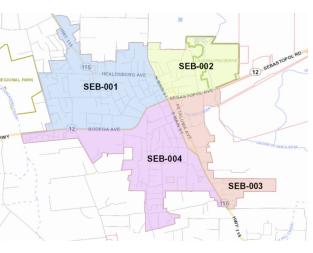
The City of Sebastopol Public Arts Committee is seeking proposals from Sonoma County based sculptors for the design, fabrication, and installation of durable and low-maintenance original public art suitable for placement in the Sebastopol Community Sculpture Garden (CSG), Ives Park, Sebastopol, California.

Submission Deadline: August 9, 2021

Call for Artists



SEBASTOPOL EVACUATION MAPS



As part of on going efforts with the County of Sonoma, Sebastopol now has evacuation maps. You can find links on the <u>Fire Department</u> page of the City's website.

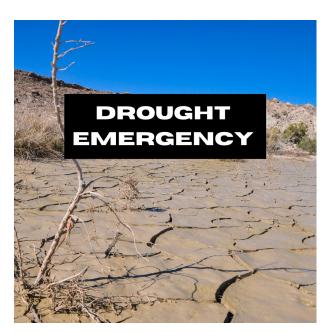
<u>Evacuation Map</u> (Enter your address in the top right search bar to find your evacuation zone.)

<u>Sebastopol Addresses Outside</u>
<u>City Limits - Evacuation Map</u> (Enter your address in the top left search bar to find your evacuation zone.)

DROUGHT EMERGENCY

Governor Gavin Newsom has declared a state of emergency in Sonoma and Mendocino counties due to drought conditions in the Russian River Watershed. Read the State of Emergency Proclamation here.

At the May 4th City Council Meeting, the City Council approved the Resolution Implementing Water Waste Prohibitions and Water Conservation Measures: Stage 1 - Voluntary Conservation to achieve an overall system-wide reduction goal of 10 percent.



For more information on the resolution clickhere.

WATER CONSERVATION TIP OF THE WEEK





Water savings are urgently needed. See the City's <u>Water Conservation page</u> for actions you can take to reduce water usage and check out these indoor and outdoor water conservation tips from the <u>Sonoma-Marin Saving Water Partnership</u>.

Here's this week's tip to help you reduce your water consumption:

 Shower less. And when you do shower, take shorter (5 minute) showers. It's critical that we all do our part to save water.

ALL OUTDOOR BURNING SUSPENDED

The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) has announced the enactment of a burn suspension, beginning at 12:01 AM Monday, May 10, 2021, which bans all outdoor burning.

According to CAL FIRE, California is entering its second consecutive dry year and is bracing for what could be another devastating wildfire season. While wildfires are a natural part of California's landscape, the fire season in California and across the West is starting earlier and



ending later each year. Climate change is considered a key driver of this trend. Warmer spring and summer temperatures, reduced snowpack, and earlier spring snowmelt create longer and more intense dry seasons that increase moisture stress on vegetation and make forests more susceptible to severe wildfire.

The increasing fire danger posed by dead grass and hotter, drier conditions in the region is prompting CAL FIRE to suspend all burn permits for outdoor residential burning within the State Responsibility Areas of Sonoma, Lake, Napa, Solano, Yolo and Colusa counties. This suspension takes effect Monday May 10, 2021, and bans all residential outdoor burning of landscape debris such as branches and leaves.

See the **Press Release** for more information.

NO FIREWORKS IN SEBASTOPOL

Due to the extreme fire danger that they present, the Sebastopol City Council voted unanimously on May 4, 2021 that fireworks are



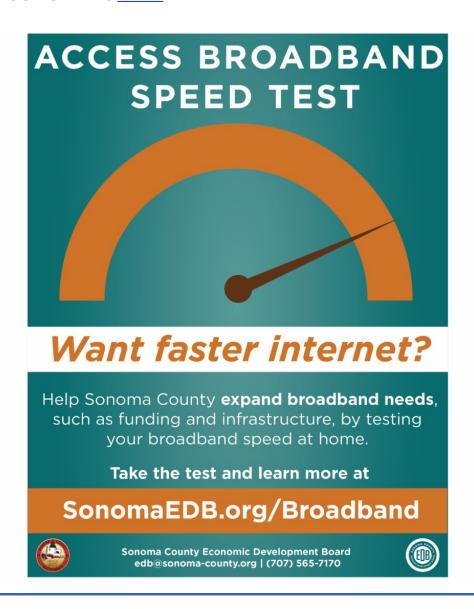


no longer permitted to be sold or used within Sebastopol City Limits.

WANT FASTER INTERNET? TAKE THE ACCESS BROADBAND SPEED TEST!

Help Sonoma County expand broadband needs, such as funding and infrastructure, by testing your broadband speed at home.

TEST YOUR SPEEDS HERE!





¿Quiere aprender cómo su familia puede compostar y reciclar? ¿Quieres saber cómo ahorrar en tu factura de basura?



PREGUNTE AL EQUIPO!

Recology Sonoma Marin is hosting an upcoming zoom series that will be given entirely in Spanish! This is a wonderful educational opportunity to offer to Spanish speakers who have questions or want to learn more in regards to their waste. It will be our usual Waste Zero presentation educating people about where things go, best practices, how materials are processed, information for commercial accounts, how someone can reduce their bill, and addressing any garbage/recycling/compost questions they may have. These are the dates:

Wednesday, June 30 | 5:30-6:30pm Zoom Link

See the website for more information.

¡Pregunte al Equipo de Waste Zero!

- ¿Quiere aprender cómo su familia puede compostar y reciclar?
- ¿Quieres saber cómo ahorrar en tu factura de basura?

¡Únase a una de nuestras sesiones de "Pregunte al Equipo" los viernes por la tarde y los miércoles por la noche en las fechas a continuación! Sea parte de este rápido seminario web de una hora que incluye una breve presentación y preguntas y respuestas para terminar. ¡Nuestro equipo de expertos ayudará a responder todas las preguntas relacionadas con la basura, el reciclaje, el abono y los desechos peligrosos!

Miércoles 30 de Junio | 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM Para el Miércoles, utilice el ID: 857 6208 0277 Unirse a la reunión de zoom

Para ambos, la contraseña es: WasteZero

SEBASTOPOL AREA TIME BANK - BUILDING COMMUNITY ONE HOUR AT A TIME

<u>Sebastopol Time Bank</u> is a network of local residents who help each other by sharing their skills and talents on an hour-for-hour basis.

Virtual orientations are held by appointment and on the 10th of each month at 5pm. To register or receive more

details email info@sebastopoltimebank.org.



NOMINATE A LOCAL WHO MAKES A DIFFERENCE!

Do you know a Sebastopol local who makes a difference in the community?

The Locals Who Make a Difference (LWMAD) program recognizes and acknowledges Sebastopol community members for their contributions in helping to make Sebastopol a better place to live. Nominations for the next LWMAD honoree will close on **July 5**.



To nominate someone from the Sebastopol community, learn about past honorees or the program, visit the <u>Locals Who Make a Difference</u> section of the City website.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY - SONOMA CLEAN POWER AUTHORITY COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE



Sonoma Clean Power is recruiting volunteers for openings on its Community Advisory Committee. This is a meaningful opportunity to provide input toward Sonoma Clean Power's innovative customer benefits, renewable energy projects, and assist with shaping clean energy goals for our community.

Click <u>here</u> for more information and to download an application or visit Sonoma Clean Power's <u>website</u>.

ASK SLOW CAT!

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

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES



Planning Department Associate Planner

Deadline to Apply: July 8, 2021

See the city <u>website</u> for additional information and requirements on these current opportunities to participate in the management and growth in our community.

SEBASTOPOL BOARD, COMMISSION, AND COMMITTEE OPENINGS

City of Sebastopol Representative on the Local Task Force on Integrated Waste Management – (3-year terms) – Appointed August 7, 2018

Primary – Term Expiration of August 2021 Alternate – Term Expiration of August 2021

DEADLINE: July 1, 2021



Zero Waste Committee

- Student Representative and Alternate
- Commercial Entity Representative (1)
- Citizen Representative (1)

DEADLINE: July 8, 2021

Public Arts Committee

Category 1: Active members of a City-based, art focused, registered nonprofit organization, entity or facility.

The recruitment will be to fill the remainder of Mr. Arnold's term (December 31, 2021). **Job Notice**

DEADLINE: July 15, 2021

If you would like an application, please contact City Hall at 707-823-1153 or info@cityofsebastopol.org for applications or information.

COVID-19 INFO & RESOURCES

GOVERNOR NEWSOM SIGNS EXECUTIVE ORDER

Governor Newsom Signs Executive Order Expediting Cal/OSHA's Revised COVID-19 Regulations to Ensure Consistency with Public Health Guidance



SACRAMENTO – Following the vote by the Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board to adopt revised COVID-19 Prevention Emergency Temporary Standards that reflect the state's latest COVID-19 public health order, Governor Gavin Newsom today signed an executive order enabling the revisions to take effect without the normal 10-day review period by the Office of Administrative Law – providing clarity and consistency for employers and employees as California fully reopens its economy.

Click here for more information.

The full text of the executive order can be found here.

More information on the revised COVID-19 Prevention Emergency Temporary Standards can be found here.

RESIDENTS 12+ YEARS OF AGE ARE NOW ELIGIBLE FOR VACCINES

Sonoma County residents 12+ years of age are now eligible for COVID-19 vaccines at several county clinics and pharmacies across the county.

- As of May 12, all residents in California 12 and older are now eligible for vaccination.
- Children ages 12 to 17 can only receive the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine.
- Vaccine appointments are readily available in the County. Anyone who wants one can get an appointment at one of our many clinics, pharmacies or health centers in the County -often the same day. All County-supported clinics are accepting walk-in patients.
- Residents are still encouraged to make vaccine appointments through the https://myturn.ca.gov web site. Residents who need help making an appointment are encouraged to call the County COVID-19 hotline at 707-565-4667 in English and Spanish.

Visit https://socoemergency.org for more information.





Join the more than half of adults in the United States who have their first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine.



cdc.gov/coronavirus

SONOMA COUNTY EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



COUNTY OF SONOMA

EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Have you been financially impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic? Do you need help with rent and utilities? As of April 19, 2021, the County of Sonoma has started providing support to households impacted by COVID-19 through the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP).

The program will provide payment assistance for tenants who are behind on rent and utilities. ERAP additionally provides options for landlords to participate and receive financial assistance. This program is open to all County residents, regardless

of immigration status, who are renters or landlords requiring rental assistance. Any community member can apply with any organization on this list regardless of where in Sonoma County they reside.

See the <u>Tenant and Housing Resources</u> page on the City's website for more information, FAQs, and links to apply.

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)
Preliminary Application Checklist
FAQ



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

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.

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 <u>readyforwildfire.org</u> for more information.



Use fire-resistant building materials to protect your home from wildfires.

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 <u>SoCoAlert.com</u> 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

Other Ways

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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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CITY NEWS

SEBASTOPOL WEBSITE EN ESPAÑOL

In an effort to better serve members of the Sebastopol community for whom Spanish is their primary language, Google Translate has been added to the City of Sebastopol website.

REGULAR CITY BUSINESS CONTINUES

City Hall (City Manager, Administrative and Finance Services, and Planning Department) offices continue to operate virtually and remain closed to the public. We anticipate opening to the public for limited hours in early July. Check the city website for updated hours.

All other City offices are open regular business hours. Please note signage at each location for any special instructions about interacting safely with staff.

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 "<u>Meetings</u>" 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 July 6, 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 <u>ksvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org</u>

Next Meeting: Planning Commission Meeting of July 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: <u>Design Review Board Meeting of July 7, 2021 @ 4:00 PM</u>

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: <u>Public Arts Committee Meeting of July 7, 2021 @ 10:30AM</u>



GENERAL INFO

SEBASTOPOL

CENTERARTS

CHECK OUT THE SEBASTOPOL CENTER FOR THE ART'S FANTASTIC EDUCATION PROGRAM!

he classes include the Poetry Project, Pocket Sketching, Bookmaking Workshop, Abstract Art Course, Colored Pencil, the Creative Process in Watercolor, and more!

Adult Classes

Some classes have already started, so check them out and act fast... For full details visit the Sebastopol Center for the Arts website here.

LIBRARY EXPANDS IN-PERSON SERVICE HOURS

EXPRESS SERVICES Servicios express



OPEN · In-person

ABIERTO · En persona









More Library Access!

Sonoma County Library is moving to the next stage of their **Express Services** model. Library doors are now open at 50 percent capacity, with a variety of service hours to meet

your needs. There is no time limit for your library visit, and you don't need to make a reservation (except for the Sonoma County History & Genealogy Library). See the new inperson hours at sonomalibrary.org/express.

Curbside service is still available by request during in-person open hours, with additional curbside hours at regional libraries.

Join us in reopening gradually and safely!

EDUCATION RESOURCES

SCHOOL RESOURCES FROM SONOMA COUNTY LIBRARY

School Resources

Recursos Escolares

Online Library 24/7























This is a challenging time for our community, and Sonoma County Library is here to help with your back-to-school needs. Are you a parent of a school-age child or children? A student yourself? Maybe you want to enrich your self-learning. We've put together a list of resources that you may find useful during the school year...and beyond!

- Access educational <u>eBooks</u>, <u>and eAudiobooks</u>, <u>stream movies and more</u>. This
 includes always-available eBooks and eAudiobooks such as <u>Diverse Reads for</u>
 <u>Teens</u> and <u>Diverse Reads for Kids</u> on OverDrive.
- Students of any age can connect with free tutors and more at Tutor.com.
- Our Student OneCard partnership provides students access to library resources using their student ID number. <u>See the list of participating schools and learn</u> more about Student OneCards.
- Earn your high school diploma online with Career Online High School.
- Learn at home with our <u>Great Courses collection</u> on OverDrive. Explore 200
 expertly-produced audio and video courses by professors such as Neil DeGrasse
 Tyson!
- Your library card gives you access to <u>LinkedIn Learning</u>, an online learning service that teaches business, technology, and creative skills through video tutorials.
- <u>LearningExpress Library</u> features nearly 1,000 online tutorials, practice tests, and eBooks for all ages.
- Why not use this time to learn a new language or brush up on one you're already familiar with? <u>Mango Languages</u> is fun and easy to use.

Still hungry for more? Your online library never closes. View More eResources

