

City of Sebastopol Community Newsletter

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

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QUICK FACTS

FACE COVERINGS REQUIRED IN PUBLIC SETTINGS REGARDLESS OF VACCINATION STATUS: CLICK HERE

SONOMA COUNTY NOW REQUIRES PROOF OF VACCINATION FOR EMERGENCY PERSONNEL: CLICK HERE

RESIDENTS 12+ YEARS OF AGE ARE ELIGIBLE FOR VACCINES: CLICK HERE

SONOMA COUNTY COVID VACCINATIONS AT A GLANCE*: CLICK HERE

- PERCENT 12+ PARTIALLY VACCINATED 8.1%
- PERCENT 12+ FULLY VACCINATED 73.3%

25% MANDATORY WATER USE REDUCTION IN SEBASTOPOL: CLICK HERE

*Information updated as of Friday, August 27th at 11am.

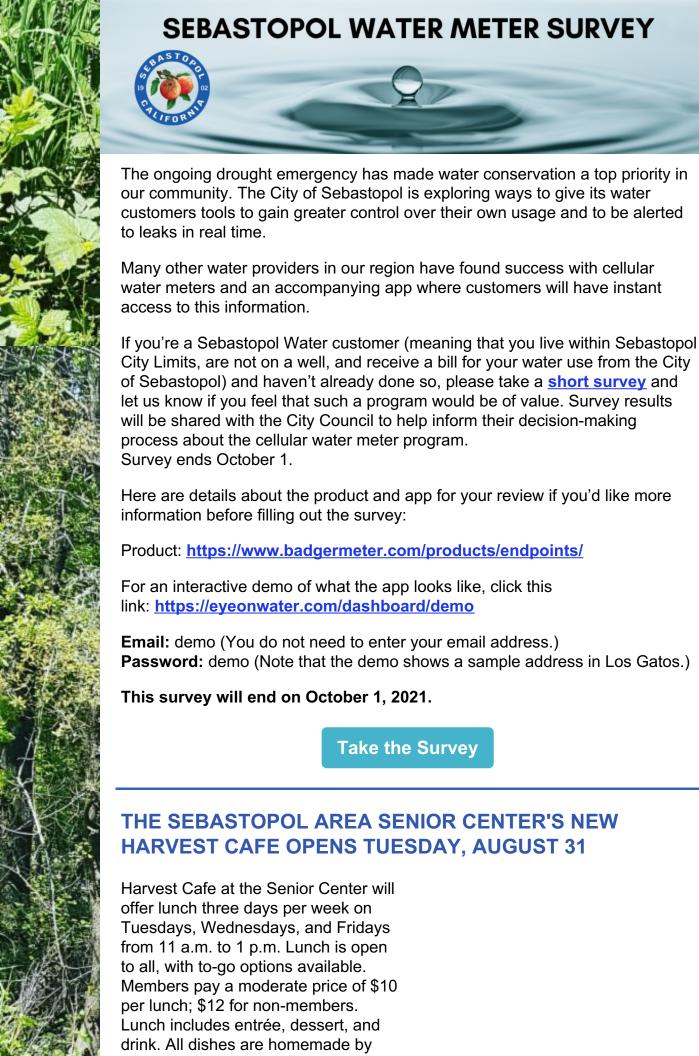
SONOMA COUNTY ISSUES HEALTH ORDER FOR ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE K-12 SCHOOLS

On Aug. 23, 2021, Sonoma County issued a health order requiring all public and private K-12 schools to verify the COVID-19 vaccination status of all workers and to require unvaccinated or partially vaccinated staff to undergo COVID testing effective Sept. 24, 2021.



Read the Health Order HERE.

WE NEED YOUR INPUT!
PLEASE TAKE THE WATER METER SURVEY
TODAY!





renowned Chef Gerald who focuses on using the most fresh and local ingredients as possible including cagefree eggs, free-range and grass-fed meats, and organic fruits and vegetables.



WANT TO VOLUNTEER AT THE CAFE?

A variety of roles are available from serving lunch to seniors, setting up for lunch service, helping with dishes, meal prep, and much more. The ideal volunteer is able to commit to one 4-hour shift per week. Volunteering is proven to have benefits including improved quality of life, stronger social networks, increased levels of physical activity and even lower mortality rates.

For more information or to apply to become a volunteer, visit www.sebastopolseniorcenter.org/lunch-at-harvest-cafe. Or call Gerald Lowe, Food Program Manager, at 707-827-8431. Proof of COVID-19 vaccine is required.

WATER CONSERVATION TIP OF THE WEEK

Water savings are urgently needed. See the City's <u>Water</u> <u>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</u> <u>Saving Water Partnership</u>.

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

 Put food coloring in your toilet tank. If it seeps into Put food coloring in your toilet tank. If it seeps into the bowl without flushing, there's a leak.
Fix it and start saving gallons.

the bowl without flushing, there's a leak. Fix it and start saving gallons. Fixing a leaky toilet can save 30 gallons per day. It's critical that we all do our part to save water.

GET YOUR WATER SAVING SEBASTO-PAIL NOW!



Pick up your
Sebasto-Pail at
the Public Works
Department. It's
the perfect way
to collect the
running water
while you wait for
hot water, and
use it to water
plants.



residents can stop by the Public Works Department office at 714 Johnson Street Monday through Thursday 8 AM to 4:30 PM to pick up a bucket.

As the Sebastopol Buckets were purchased with water enterprise funds we are asking that the buckets be supplied to current residents that have a City of Sebastopol Water account.

Use your new Sebasto-Pail to collect the running water while you wait for hot water and use it to water plants. It's critical that we all do our part to save water.

GET YOUR WATER SAVING YARD SIGN NOW!

Water-conserving Sebastopol residents can stop by the Public Works Department office at 714 Johnson Street Monday through Thursday 8 AM to 4:30 PM to pick up a sign. Help spread the word!



ZERO WASTE SONOMA MINI-GRANTS FOR REUSABLE FOODWARE



Zero Waste Sonoma has a mini-grant program of up to \$250 to help businesses purchase reusable food ware supplies and materials. Eligible expenses for reusable food service ware may include, but are not limited to: baskets, plates, bowls, ramekins, cups, mugs, trays utensils, bulk dispensers, self-service bins, dishwashers, and payment to

third-party support for reuse. Establishing a rentable Party Kit with reusable food ware is another eligible expense.

Click **HERE** for more information.

PLEASE NOTE: Funding is limited, and available only on a first come, first served basis. Zero Waste Sonoma may not be held responsible if this funding runs out before you are reimbursed.

JOIN THE SEBASTOPOL GRAFFITI PATROL AND HELP KEEP SEBASTOPOL GRAFFITI FREE

Wonder why you see relatively little graffiti around town? There has been an ongoing effort

for many years to eradicate malicious graffiti wherever it pops up around Sebastopol.

If you are interested in being involved in helping keep Sebastopol tag free, the Sebastopol Graffiti Patrol has a role for you. We are planning on meeting with any new volunteers in the next few weeks, date and place TBD, and welcome your participation. Leave a message for Steve at **953-9077**, with interest in volunteering.

Should you come upon graffiti that you believe needs to be removed, you can either call the Sebastopol Police Department non-emergency number at **707-829-4400**, or the number above.

Thanks in advance, The Sebastopol Graffiti Patrol





Two young members of the Sebastopol Graffiti Patrol.

Typical tagging around town.

SLOW DOWN SEBASTOPOL!

School has started.
Please slow down and be aware of pedestrians.



COUNTY OF SONOMA

COVID-19 TESTING LOCATIONS

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

See the <u>SoCoEmergency Calendar</u> for a list of testing locations in the County.

See the **SoCoEmergency Testing** page for more information.

BACK TO SCHOOL INFORMATION & RESOURCES

Access them here: https://bit.ly/3lez2Gj

Back to School

2021-2022



According to the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), recent evidence indicates that in-person instruction can occur safely without a minimum physical distancing requirement when other mitigation strategies are implemented.

As California schools plan for a complete return to in-person instruction for the 2021-22 school year, universal masking and other Covid-19 mitigation strategies will be prioritized.

Masking in School Settings Regardless of Vaccination Status*



When Indoors

Masks are required
for everyone



When Outdoors

Masks are optional
for everyone



for everyone

*Based on CDPH guidance released July 12, 2021. CDPH will continue to assess conditions and will determine no later than Nov. 1, 2021 whether to update its universal mask requirement.





ARE YOU PREPARED FOR A PUBLIC SAFETY POWER SHUTOFF (PSPS)?

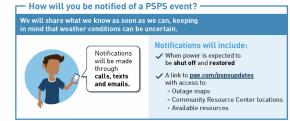


Public Safety Power Shutoff Tips to Help You and Your Family Prepare

April 2021

At PG&E, our most important responsibility is the safety of our customers and communities. During severe weather, we may need to turn off power for public safety. This is called a Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS). We know losing power is disruptive to your work and personal life, so we want to help you prepare. To learn more about PSPS events, visit pge.com/psps.







Identify backup charging methods by visiting pge.com/backuppower



Learn More
For the latest on PG&E's wildfire safety efforts, please visit pge.com/wildfiresafety.

For translated support in over 250 additional languages, please contact PG&E at 1-866-743-6589.

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT: WWW.PGE.COM/PSPS DOWNLOAD THE PSPS TIPS PDF HERE.

ASK SLOW CAT!

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: Is there a reporting mechanism people can use when they see excessive water use?

ANSWER: The City of Sebastopol Public Works department has created door hangers with water conservation tips. Please contact Public Works if you see an opportunity in your neighborhood where we can help educate property owners on how to prevent water waste. Our staff will take



weekly newsletter and on our Facebook page. **Submit A** Question Sonoma County COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics

care of making contact with the property owner and will leave them with a handy door hanger. Call Public Works at (707) 823-5331 or email <u>citypw@cityofsebastopol.org</u>. with the property address.

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

COVID-19 INFO & RESOURCES

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



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**





Have you been financially impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic?

o you need help with rent and utilities?

See the <u>Tenant and Housing</u>
<u>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)

<u>Click here for more information</u>

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



TAKE STEPS TO PREPARE FOR WILDFIRES



Take steps to prepare for wildfires, like creating and practicing your wildfire action plan. Make getting ready for an emergency engaging for your little ones by involving them in the planning! Together we can all be prepared. Learn more here.

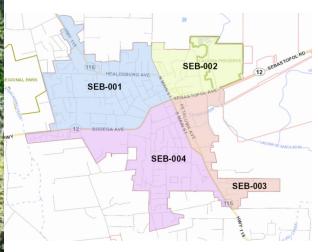
HAVE YOU CHECKED OUT SEBASTOPOLREADY.ORG?

Visit <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.





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>Sebastopol City Limits -</u>
<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.)

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 to 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 $\underline{SoCoAlert.com}$ 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. **f**Sebastopol Fire Dept. **f**City of Sebastopol **f**



More information on emergency alerts and notifications at

SoCoEmergency.org

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

CITY NEWS

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 September 7, 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 ksvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org
- Next Meeting: <u>Planning Commission Meeting of September 14, 2021 @ 6:00</u>

(**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 September 1, 2021 @ 4:00 PM</u> has been CANCELLED.

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 <u>amontes@cityofsebastopol.org</u>
- Next Meeting: <u>Public Arts Committee Meeting of September 1, 2021 @</u> 10:30AM has been CANCELLED.



GENERAL INFO

GOT APPLES? RESERVE THE SLOW FOOD SEBASTOPOL APPLE PRESS



It's apple season in Sonoma County, and the Slow Food Sebastopol Community Apple

Press opened to the public on Saturday,

August 7th at the Luther Burbank Experiment

Farm in Sebastopol, and runs every weekend

until October 24th. People are welcome to bring
their own apples and a group of volunteers will
assist them in making fresh pressed apple juice.

Reservations required. Click <u>here</u> to reserve the apple press.

Interested in volunteering? Click here for more information.



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 and special programs every Wednesday evening. Visit Peacetown.org for the most current details and musical lineup.



PEACETOWN

Music and Art Festival

July 7th to Sept 8th

Every Wednesday 4:30 7:30

Date	Event Center	Crooked Goat	Fern Bar/Woodfour
7/7	Gator Nation	Dream Farmers	The Musers
7/14	Pulsators	Free Peoples	Mundo Rio
7/21	Burrows & Dilbeck	Peace of G	Harman & Harman
7/28	Tom Rigney & Flambeau	Marshall House	Gabe Wheaton
8/4	Soul Section	Bohemian Hwy	Alexander's Band
8/11	Sol Horizon	Spike Sikes	Batacha
8/18	The Dirty Shames	La Matilda	Hoytus Rolen
8/25	Onye & the Messengers	Burnside	Solid Air
9/1	Soul Fuse	THUGS	Bluebyrds
9/8	Whiskey Family Band	Tommy Thomsen	(Surprise Guest)

Family Friendly

Pet Friendly

Plus:

Peace Garden & Enlightenment Wheel
Patrick Amiot Junk Sculpture walk on Florence Ave
Music at Hopmonk Tavern and Community Market
Family Village and McKinley Stage w/Love Choir
Downtown at People's Music & Main Street Theater
Great food at fine restaurants

Become a Citizen or Sponsor a Stage @www.peacetown.org

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