



City of Sebastopol Community Newsletter

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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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QUICK FACTS

FREE AT-HOME COVID-19 TESTS

Residential households in the U.S. can now order one set of 4 free at-home tests from USPS.com.

SONOMA COUNTY HEALTH ORDER C19-35 PROHIBITS LARGE GATHERINGS: [CLICK HERE](#)

- SONOMA COUNTY CLARIFIES HEALTH ORDER TO ALLOW 50 SPECTATORS AT INDOOR EVENTS: [CLICK HERE](#)

SONOMA COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER ISSUES APPEAL FOR RESIDENTS TO VOLUNTARILY STAY HOME: [CLICK HERE](#)

RECOMMENDATION OF THE COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER:
EMPLOYERS REQUIRE WORKFORCE TO SHOW PROOF OF
PRIMARY VACCINATION AND BOOSTER OR AT LEAST TWICE

WEEKLY TESTING: [CLICK HERE](#)

SONOMA COUNTY HEALTH ORDER C19-25 REQUIRES FACE COVERINGS IN PUBLIC SETTINGS REGARDLESS OF VACCINATION STATUS: [CLICK HERE](#)

- **AMENDMENT NO.1** TO COUNTY HEALTH ORDER PROVIDES EXEMPTIONS FOR CERTAIN STABLE COHORTS OF FULLY VACCINATED INDIVIDUALS: [CLICK HERE](#)

SONOMA COUNTY HEALTH ORDER RESCINDING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO ORDER C19-25: [CLICK HERE](#)

25% MANDATORY WATER USE REDUCTION IN SEBASTOPOL: [CLICK HERE](#)



CALLING ALL ARTISTS AND CREATIVE LOCALS

It's the Sebastopol Community Upcycled Art Project

The Art Project is to be designed to educate and inspire by activating potential in affecting climate change. It is to be created through contributions from the community. **This project will symbolize the interconnectivity of all life.**

- The Central Art Piece will be a kaleidoscope of upcycled glass housed in a welded case.
- The supporting art pieces will be installed throughout town.



Community artists are invited to create supporting pieces that will:

- explore innovative ways to address the environmental challenges we are currently facing.
- be curated from the abundance that already exists within our lives.
- utilize upcycled materials.
- specifically address subjects under the **general category of climate change: water, air, solar, carbon sequestration, social inequities, our waste stream, and consumption.**

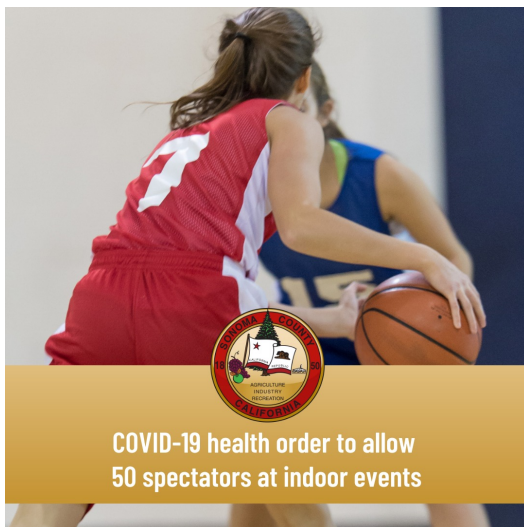
Alongside the supporting art pieces will be a companion QR code that links the viewer to a website which will include information on: the makers of the piece, the topic of the piece, actions regarding the topic, and any recent news on local organizations working on a goal related to the topic.

Submissions accepted on a rolling basis for supporting art piece proposals.

For more information and the Art Piece Submission form click [HERE](#).

Completed forms should be turned in to the Planning Dept. at Sebastopol. City Hall or emailed to ClimateActionCommittee@cityofsebastopol.org

SONOMA COUNTY CLARIFIES HEALTH ORDER TO ALLOW 50 SPECTATORS AT INDOOR EVENTS



COVID-19 health order to allow 50 spectators at indoor events

With COVID-19 cases declining from a recent surge, Sonoma County Health Officer Dr. Sundari Mase today clarified a recent health order that limited indoor public events to 50 people. As of today, indoor events can include 50 spectators. The total number of attendees does not include staff involved with the event, media, players or performers.

To read the press release, click [HERE](#).

For the latest COVID-19 information, visit <https://socoemergency.org>.

APPLE BLOSSOM PARADE & FESTIVAL THEME IS SET!

The Sebastopol Chamber of Commerce has chosen the theme for this year's Apple Blossom Parade and Festival, which will be held on April 23-24.

The theme: Mask-A-Rade.

Mask-A-Rade

CALDER CREEK CONCEPTS PRESENTATION TO CITY COUNCIL AT FEB. 1 CITY COUNCIL MEETING



**PLANNING COMMISSION
CALDER CREEK NATURALIZATION CONCEPTS
PRESENTATION TO CITY COUNCIL**



CITY COUNCIL MEETING - FEBRUARY 1, 2022 AT 6PM

The City of Sebastopol adopted the Ives Park Master Plan in March 2013. One important component of this plan is to 'naturalize' Calder Creek, which runs through the park in a concrete channel. The City is working with WRI (Waterway Restoration Institute) and a Switzer Foundation Fellow to help envision what the naturalization of Calder Creek could be, both within Ives Park, as part of the Master Plan, as well as up-and down-stream. There will be several community meetings on this project, hosted by the Planning Commission, which also serves as the City's Parks Commission.

MEETING INFO

Calder Creek Concepts Presentation to City Council at City Council Meeting

Date: Tuesday, February 1, 2022

Time: 6pm

See the [Meeting Page](#) on the City's website for more information and Zoom login info.

SONOMA COUNTY ANNOUNCES FOUR WEEKEND COVID-19 VACCINE CLINICS AT SONOMA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

The County of Sonoma will expand access to pediatric and adult COVID-19 vaccines and boosters through a series of large-scale vaccine clinics at the Sonoma County Fairgrounds starting Saturday.

Up to 500 vaccines can be administered per day at these clinics, which will be held in the Garrett Building on the Fairgrounds campus. Clinics will be held Saturday and Sunday for

each of the next four weekends, Jan. 29-30 and Feb. 5-6, 12-13, and 19-20 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Read the full press release [HERE](#).

For more information about COVID-19 vaccines, visit socoemergency.org/vaccine



COUNTY OF SONOMA

COVID-19 VACCINE CLINIC

*Vaccines are safe, effective and free.
First, second and booster doses are available.
All are welcome, ages five and over.*

Sonoma County Fairgrounds Garrett Building

**Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 29-30
Feb. 5-6, 12-13 and 19-20 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.**

1350 Bennett Valley Road, Santa Rosa (*Brookwood Avenue entrance*)

No appointment needed. No proof of citizenship status required.



**For more information about COVID-19 vaccines,
visit socoemergency.org/vaccine or call (707) 565-4667.**

COVID-19 TESTING UPDATES AND INFORMATION

Due to staffing shortages throughout the state, testing appointments for COVID-19 are challenging to book right now. When searching, take the next available testing appointment even if it is many days from now. If you have symptoms, stay home. If you do not have symptoms but have reason to think you might have been exposed to COVID-19, visit the [SoCoEmergency Isolation and Quarantine page](#) for the latest guidance. Thank you for your

patience.

Click [HERE](#) for information on scheduling a test.

FREE AT-HOME COVID-19 TESTS

Residential households in the U.S. can now order one set of 4 free at-home tests from [USPS.com](https://www.usps.com).

SONOMA COUNTY COVID-19 MASK GUIDANCE

Masks provide an extra layer of protection against COVID-19. If you wear a cloth mask, we recommend wearing a surgical mask underneath it to improve the seal, or for better protection upgrade to a fitted N95 mask. With rising COVID cases, we must also increase our protections. Additional masking resources and guidance are available [HERE](#).

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**COVID-19
MASK
GUIDANCE**

Which masks provide the best protection from COVID-19?

Good	Better	Best
Fabric mask with three or more cloth layers	+	N95 KN95 KF94
	Double mask (surgical + cloth mask)	

SoCoEmergency.org

SEBASTOPOL INVITES COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO HELP SET CLIMATE PRIORITIES



SEBASTOPOL CLIMATE ACTION FRAMEWORK

**COMMUNITY MEETING
FEBRUARY 2, 2022 AT 6PM**

<https://bit.ly/ClimateActionFramework>



The City of Sebastopol is beginning a community-centered process to create a Climate Action Framework. The Framework will provide a roadmap for reducing greenhouse gas emissions and preparing for the impacts of climate change in Sebastopol.

Join us via Zoom on February 2nd at 6pm for a community meeting to learn about the Framework and share your climate change concerns, ideas, and priorities. For more information, visit <https://bit.ly/ClimateActionFramework>.

Read the full press release [HERE](#).

Take the survey to share your input [HERE](#).

MAKE A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION TO CONSERVE WATER

A New Year's Resolution That's Easy to Keep!

Join Sebastopol's **Water
Upgrades \$ave** today!

BAYREN Water
Upgrades
SAVE



A New Year's resolution that's easy to keep! Join Sebastopol's Water Upgrades \$ave program and make conserving water easy and affordable. As California enters its third year of drought, why not make your home part of the solution?

It's simple – schedule a free water assessment to select the water efficiency upgrades that are best for you. We install them with little-to-no upfront cost, and you pay a fixed charge on your water bill that is lower than the estimated savings – so you begin saving right away.

Enroll today to start saving, visit www.waterupgradessave.org or call **877-846-8795**.

WATER CONSERVATION TIP OF THE WEEK

Water savings are urgently needed. See the City's [Water Conservation page](#) for actions you can take to reduce water usage and check out these indoor and outdoor water conservation tips from the [Sonoma-Marín Saving Water Partnership](#).

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

- **Never use the toilet to dispose of tissues or other trash. This can waste a great deal of water and also places an unnecessary load on the sewage treatment process. It's critical that we all do our part to save water.**



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CURRENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES



WE'RE HIRING!

Police Department

[Police Officer](#)

Deadline to Apply: Open 10/18/21 (Open and Continuous)

Public Works Department

[Maintenance Worker II](#)

Deadline to Apply: February 3, 2022

See the city [website](#) for additional information and requirements on these current opportunities to participate in the management and growth in our community.

COVID-19 INFO & RESOURCES

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 [SoCoEmergency Calendar](#) for a list of testing locations in the County.

See the [SoCoEmergency Testing](#) page for more information.

Although many test sites say “walk-ins welcome” health officials now do not want people with symptoms standing in lines for tests. They suggest staying home and trying to schedule a test. You can also order 4 free at-home tests per household. Find more information at <https://www.covidtests.gov>.

Sonoma County COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics



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.

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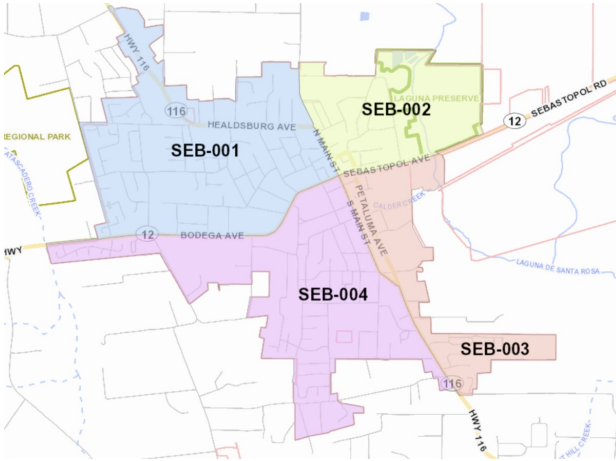
LEGAL AID OF SONOMA COUNTY IS HERE TO HELP PEOPLE IMPACTED BY COVID-19



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

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 [Fire Department](#) page of the City's website.

[Sebastopol City Limits - Evacuation Map](#) (Enter your address in the top right search bar to find your evacuation zone.)

[Sebastopol Addresses Outside City Limits - Evacuation Map](#) (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](#).

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 February 1, 2022 @ 6:00 PM](#)

Planning Commission Meetings:

- **Meeting Days:** Second and Fourth Tuesday of each month

- **Meeting Time:** 6pm
- **Livestream Link:** <http://bit.ly/sebcctv>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to kvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org

- **Next Meeting:** [Planning Commission Meeting of February 8, 2022 @ 6:00 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 kvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org
- **Next Meeting:** [Design Review Board Meeting of February 2, 2022 @ 4:00 PM](#)
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 kvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org
- **Next Meeting:** [Public Arts Committee Meeting of February 2, 2022 @ 10:30 AM](#)



COMMUNITY NEWS

HARVEST CAFE OFFERS TO-GO ONLY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Based on the recommendation of Sonoma County Public Health, the Harvest Cafe suspended indoor dining until at least February 1. Good news is the regular menu is still available for takeout, please view the menu below and call to order at 707-829-2440 or go in to order.

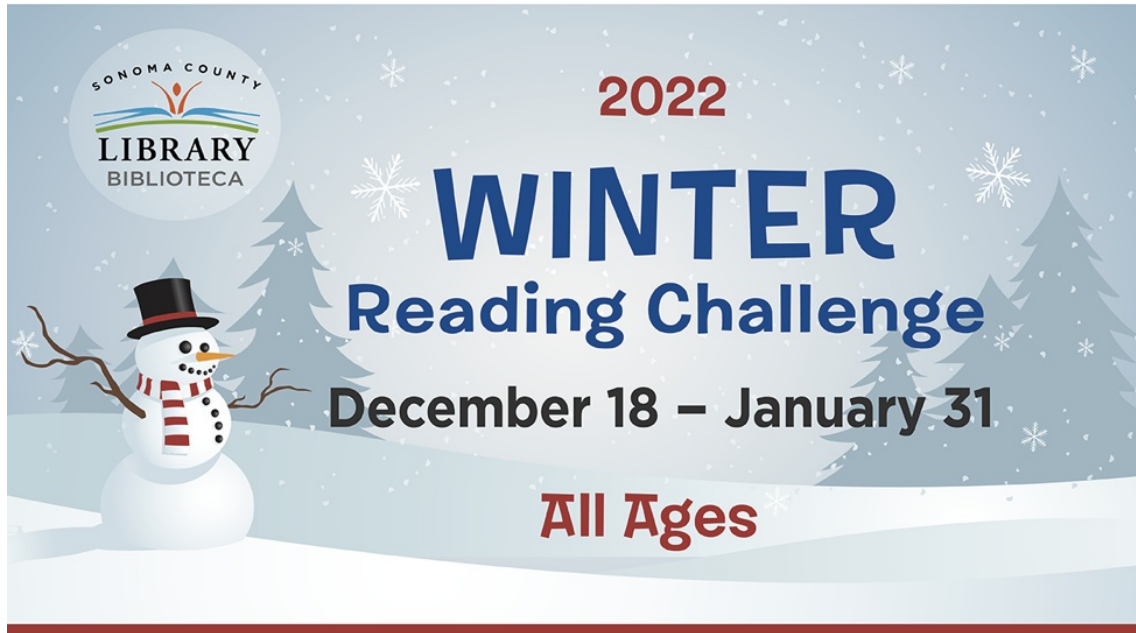
For menus, visit the Sebastopol Area Senior Center [website](#).



SONOMA COUNTY LIBRARY WINTER READING CHALLENGE & SCAVENGER HUNT

Read With Us

Have fun and earn prizes with the Sonoma County Library winter reading programs! Join Sonoma County Library's [Winter Reading Challenge](#) and [Scavenger Hunt](#) for a season full of joy and activities for everyone.



Get your read on with the 2022 [Winter Reading Challenge](#)! All ages are invited to read at least 600 minutes to complete the challenge—that's just 20 minutes a day!—and earn a limited-edition bookmark.

Sign up at sonomalibrary.beanstack.org or in the Beanstack app. Paper logs are available [at your local library](#), or [download and print](#) from home.



Explore with the Sonoma County Library's family-friendly [virtual scavenger hunt](#) from December 18 to January 31!

For each task you complete, submit a photo or short video to the GooseChase App. Finish 10 of the 15 tasks to complete the challenge for a chance to win a Sonoma County Regional Parks Pass!

Learn more and sign up [here](#).

Don't have a smart device? Email events@sonomalibrary.org for an alternative way to play!

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