

# **City of Sebastopol Community Newsletter**

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# January 7 - January 13 Special Weekly Edition of 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**

SONOMA COUNTY HEALTH ORDER C19-35 PROHIBITS LARGE GATHERINGS: 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 C19-33 REQUIRES THAT WORKERS IN SCHOOLS ARE BOTH VACCINATED AND, WHEN ELIGIBLE, BOOSTED, OR TEST TWICE PER WEEK: CLICK HERE

SONOMA COUNTY HEALTH ORDER C19-32 REQUIRES THAT PERSONNEL IN LAW ENFORCEMENT, FIRE, EMS, PHARMACIES, DENTAL OFFICES AND TEMPORARY DISASTER SHELTERS TO

BE BOTH VACCINATED AND BOOSTED IF ELIGIBLE OR TEST TWICE PER WEEK: 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

# SONOMA COUNTY COVID VACCINATIONS AT A GLANCE\*: CLICK HERE

- PERCENT 5+ PARTIALLY VACCINATED 8.0%
- PERCENT 5+ FULLY VACCINATED 78.0%

25% MANDATORY WATER USE REDUCTION IN SEBASTOPOL: CLICK HERE

\*Information updated as of Friday, January 14th at 11am.



SONOMA COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER ISSUES APPEAL FOR RESIDENTS TO VOLUNTARILY STAY HOME; RESTRICTS LARGE GATHERINGS Santa Rosa, CA – January 10, 2022 – Due to the rapid rise of COVID cases surging through the community, Sonoma County Health Officer Dr. Sundari Mase issued an appeal to residents to stay home as much as possible for the next 30 days and limit interactions with those outside of their immediate household.



The county's health officer, out of an abundance of caution, also issued a Health Order canceling large gatherings to prevent the further spread of the novel coronavirus in the county. Large gatherings of more than 50 people indoors, or more than 100 people outdoors (where social distancing is not feasible), are prohibited for the duration of the order. The order will take effect at 12:01 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 12 and is scheduled to remain in effect until Feb. 11.

Hear Dr. Mase explain the Health Order in this video.

For the press release and to learn more, click HERE.

For the updated Health Order, click HERE.

Visit <u>www.SoCoEmergency.org</u> for more information about vaccination and testing locations.

### **COVID-19 TESTING UPDATES AND INFORMATION**

Demand for testing after the holidays is making it difficult to get tested at a site or to obtain at-home tests. Officials recognize how frustrating this can be, especially for parents as children return to school, and urge patience. The county is working to increase the availability of testing, both PCR and antigen, and the state and federal governments hope to supply more free at-home tests soon. The state is sending at-home test kits directly to the Sonoma County Office of Education for distribution.

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.

Click **HERE** for information on scheduling a test.

### COUNTY OF SONOMA

### COVID-19 TESTING: JAN. 17-23

### **Multi-day Clinics**

Coddingtown/Curative \* Daily, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

1000 Coddingtown Center, Santa Rosa

#### Fiesta Plaza/Curative \*

Monday-Friday, 7 a.m.-2 p.m. 200 Siesta Way, Sonoma

#### **Rohnert Park Community** Center/Curative \*

Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. 5401 Snyder Lane, Rohnert Park

#### Windsor Bluebird Center/Curative \*

Monday-Thursday and Sunday, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.; 25 Bluebird Drive, Windsor

### Foundry Wharf/Molecular Matrix \*

Monday, Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. 625 2nd St., Petaluma

### Roseland Community Center/Fox Home Health \*\*

Tuesday-Friday, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 779 Sebastopol Road, Santa Rosa In addition to PCR testing, antigen "rapid" testing of symptomatic individuals is offered based on medical assessment and as tests are available.

#### Redemption Hill Church/Molecular Matrix \*

Monday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. 2100 Petaluma Hill Road, Santa Rosa

### **Monday January 17**

Monte Rio Community Center/LHI\*

7 a.m.-7 p.m.; 20488 Hwy. 116, Monte Rio

### Healdsburg Community Center/Curative \*

8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.; 1557 Healdsburg Ave., Healdsburg

### **Tuesday January 18**

### Petaluma Valley Baptist Church/LHI\*

7 a.m.-6 p.m.; 580 Sonoma Mountain Parkway, Petaluma

### Cotati Park and Ride/LHI\*

7 a.m.-7 p.m.; 146 St. Joseph Way, Cotati

### Cloverdale High School/Curative

7 a.m.-2 p.m.; 509 N. Cloverdale Blvd., Cloverdale

### To search for clinics by date:



#### Wednesday January 19 Cotati Park and Ride/ LHI \*

7 a.m.-7 p.m. 146 St. Joseph Way, Cotati

### Cloverdale High

**School/Curative \*** 7 a.m.-2 p.m.; 509 N. Cloverdale Blvd., Cloverdale

#### West County Community Services/Curative \*

8 a.m.-3 p.m.; 15010 Armstrong Woods Road, Guerneville

#### Thursday January 20 Galvin Park/LHI \*

7 a.m.-7 p.m.; 3330 Yulupa Ave., Santa Rosa

### Geyserville Elementary School/Curative\*

8 a.m.-2 p.m.; 21485 Geyserville Ave., Geyserville

### Petaluma Valley Baptist Church/Molecular Matrix \* 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; 580 Sonoma Mountain Parkway, Petaluma

To search for

clinics by location:

### **Cloverdale Senior Center**

9:45-11 a.m.; 311 N. Main St., Cloverdale

### Friday January 21

A Place to Play Park/LHI

7 a.m.-7 p.m.; 2375 W. 3rd St., Santa Rosa

### Salvation Army/LHI \*

7 a.m.-7 p.m.; 721 S. McDowell Blvd., Petaluma

### Petaluma Valley Baptist Church/Molecular Matrix

9 a.m.-2 p.m.; 580 Sonoma Mountain Parkway, Petaluma

#### Saturday January 22

Alliance Medical Center/LHI \*

7 a.m.-7 p.m.; 1381 University Ave., Healdsburg

### Knox Presbyterian Church/LHI \*

7 a.m.-7 p.m.; 1650 W. 3rd St., Santa Rosa

### Sunday January 23

West County High School/LHI \* 7 a.m.-7 p.m.; 6950 Analy Ave., Sebastopol (student parking lot)

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

- \* Testing for any age with parent support
- \*\* Testing for toddlers and older

Curative: Walk-ups may not be available, make appointments at curative.com or call (888) 702-9042 Molecular Matrix: Walk-ups may not be available, make appointments at molecularmatrix.com/covidtesting LHI: Appointment recommended: *[hi.care/covidtesting* or call (888) 634-1123 | Fox Home Health: Walk-ins only.

Questions? Visit socoemergency.org/test or call (707) 565-4667

### SONOMA COUNTY COVID-19 MASK GUIDANCE



COVID-19 MASK GUIDANCE

# Which masks provide the best protection from COVID-19?

Good

Better

**Best** 



Fabric mask with three or more cloth layers



Double mask (surgical +

cloth mask)



N95 KN95 KF94

### SoCoEmergency.org

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 <a href="HERE">HERE</a>.

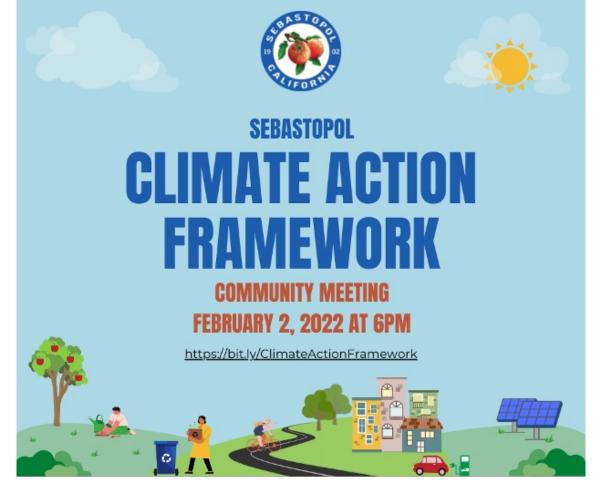
# HARVEST CAFE OFFERS TO-GO ONLY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

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.



SEBASTOPOL INVITES COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO BE PART OF CLIMATE PLANNING PROCESS



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 discuss the Framework and share your climate change concerns, ideas, and priorities. For more information, visit <a href="https://bit.ly/ClimateActionFramework">https://bit.ly/ClimateActionFramework</a>.

WE NEED YOUR INPUT ON TRAFFIC SAFETY IN SEBASTOPOL



### What is a Local Road Safety Plan?

A Local Road Safety Plan (LRSP) is a safety planning process that uses a systematic data-driven analysis to proactively address local roadway safety needs, evaluating input from multiple key stakeholders. The LRSP will include stakeholder engagement that represent the 5 E's of Traffic Safety: Engineering, Enforcement, Education, Emergency Response, and Emerging Technologies.

Did you know? According to the FHWA crash statistics, at least 40% of all vehicle fatalities in the US are on local roads! That is an alarming number, and surprisingly three-times higher than interstate systems. LRSPs provide targeted solutions in addressing the roadway safety needs within your community.

### Here's how to get involved in the process:

- 1. Interactive Project Map. Are there areas of concern that you feel need special attention? Let us know through the interactive map.
- 2. Project Survey. Share your thoughts on safety issues within the city by taking a quick survey.

Get involved, CLICK HERE to share your input and learn more about the process.

### SONOMA COUNTY WINTER SHELTERS

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December 1, 2021-March 31, 2022

Sonoma County Winter Shelters offer 53 beds in addition to year-round shelters and help to protect people from the year's harshest weather. Spaces are available on a first-come, first-served basis, and may offer wraparound services as well.

### **REACH FOR HOME - 9 BEDS**

Open when temperature falls below 38° or two or more days of rain 5:30 - 6:30 pm: Limited dinners available 7 – 9 pm: Check-in; 7 am: Check-out For adults and families
St. Paul's Episcopal Church
209 W. Matheson St., Healdsburg, CA
(707) 433-6161

### **REDWOOD GOSPEL MISSION - 40 BEDS**

5 pm - 7 am

Intake: Daily at 1 pm in the Chapel, must have ID

For adults and families – sober shelter

**Entertaining Angels Nomadic Shelter Program** 

101 6th St., Santa Rosa, CA

(707) 542-4817

### **SOCIAL ADVOCATES FOR YOUTH - 4 BEDS**

7 pm -8 am

For youth ages 18-24 years only
Dream Center Emergency Shelter
2447 Summerfield Rd., Santa Rosa, CA

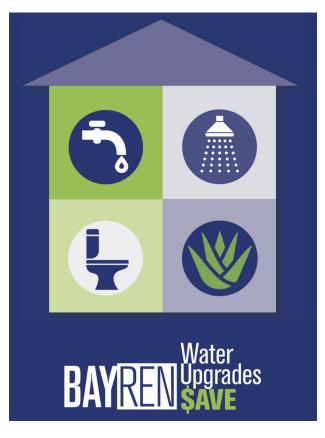
Youth Crisis Line: (888) 729-0012

### **DROP-IN CENTER**

### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 6 -11 am & 1 - 5:30 pm Hot showers, laundry, telephone, mail service, Coordinated Entry intake Homeless Services Center 610 Wilson St., Santa Rosa, CA – *NEW ADDRESS* Coordinated Entry: (866) 542-5480

# SEBASTOPOL'S WATER UPGRADES \$AVE PROGRAM MAKES CONSERVING WATER EASY & AFFORDABLE



As California prepares for its third year of the drought, now is the time to make your home part of the solution<sup>1</sup>. Join Sebastopol's Water Upgrades \$ave program and make conserving water easy and affordable. You select water-efficient upgrades (toilets, showerheads, and aerators) that lower your water use and save on your utility bills. To learn more, visit <a href="www.bayren.org/homeowners/water-efficiency-upgrades">www.bayren.org/homeowners/water-efficiency-upgrades</a> or call 877-846-8795 to do your part for the California drought!

2021, https://www.sfchronicle.com/bayarea/article/ The-drought-is-going-to-stick-around-for-a-third-16632649.php

### WATER CONSERVATION TIP OF THE WEEK

Water savings are urgently needed. See the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Alexander, Kurtis. "The drought is going to stick around for a third year in California, federal scientists project." San Francisco Chronicle, 18 Nov.

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-Marin Saving Water Partnership.

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

 Avoid running water to thaw food. Place food in the

refrigerator overnight or defrost in the microwave. It's critical that we all do our part to save water.



### **CURRENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**



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 <u>website</u> 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

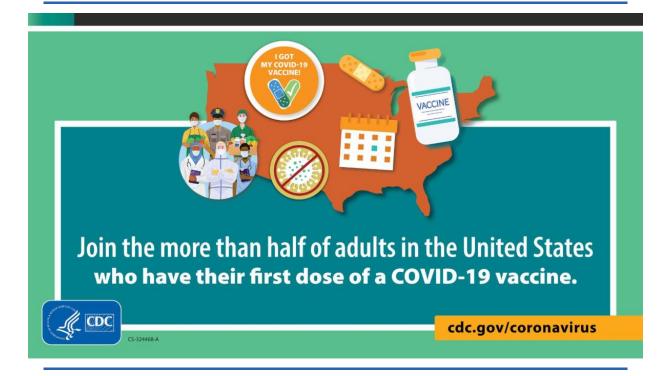
See the <u>SoCoEmergency Calendar</u> for a list of testing locations in the County.

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

# Sonoma County COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics



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



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

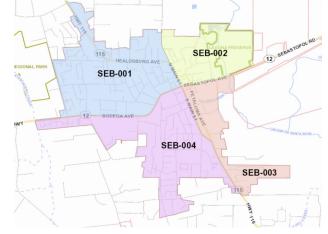


If you have employment questions, benefits questions, tenant protections questions, or any other legal issues related to the pandemic, please contact Legal Aid of Sonoma County. Visit their website <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a> for more information.

### **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.



<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.

### **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: <a href="http://bit.ly/sebcctv">http://bit.ly/sebcctv</a>
- 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 January 18, 2022 @ 6:00 PM

### **Planning Commission Meetings:**

- Meeting Days: Second and Fourth Tuesday of each month
- Meeting Time: 6pm
- Livestream Link: <a href="http://bit.ly/sebcctv">http://bit.ly/sebcctv</a>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to <u>ksvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org</u>
- Next Meeting: <u>Planning Commission Meeting of January 25, 2022 @ 6:00 PM</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: <a href="https://www.ci.sebastopol.ca.us/Meeting-Event.aspx">https://www.ci.sebastopol.ca.us/Meeting-Event.aspx</a>)

### **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 ksvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org
- Next Meeting: <u>Design Review Board Meeting of January 19, 2022 @ 4:00 PM</u> has been CANCELLED.

### **Public Arts Committee Meetings:**

- Meeting Days: First Wednesday of each month
- Meeting Time: 10:30am
- Livestream Link: <a href="http://bit.ly/sebcctv">http://bit.ly/sebcctv</a>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to <u>ksvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org</u>
- Next Meeting: Public Arts Committee Meeting of February 2, 2022 @ 10:30 AM



The City of Sebastopol offers a program aimed at encouraging local businesses and property owners to improve commercial and industrial buildings. Upgrades, maintenance, and aesthetic enhancements will benefit the entire community and enhance the local economy.

With these objectives in mind, subject to funding availability, the Sebastopol Façade Improvement Program will provide a rebate for expenses incurred on new exterior property improvements made to commercial or industrial buildings within the City of Sebastopol.



The program will reimburse a property owner or tenant for 75% of new improvements up to \$2,500. Eligible improvements include painting, new signage, awnings, landscaping, exterior lighting, and local permit fees. Façade building improvements (new windows, changing materials, etc.) are also eligible; however, please note that larger changes may require Design Review approval as well.

The objective of the Façade Improvement Program is to provide an incentive to property owners and/or tenants to enhance the physical appearance of buildings and landscapes. This public/private partnership investment is intended to leverage private capital with public funds for greater community economic benefit.

To apply for the program a building owner or tenant, with the owner's approval, should fill out the attached application and include bid estimates for the proposed improvement(s). The Planning Department then reviews the submitted application for completeness and batches them to be reviewed on a quarterly basis by the Design Review Board for approval. Deadlines for applications for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 are:

- Tuesday, January 18, 2022
- Tuesday, April 19, 2022

It is anticipated that the Board will hear the Façade Improvement Submittals on February 16, 2022 and May 4, 2022 or May 18, 2022. Note, funding is limited based on the adopted City Budget. Funding may be entirely allotted in early rounds.

Applications are required to be submitted a minimum of two (2) weeks before the scheduled Design Review Board Meeting. If an application is submitted after the quarterly deadline it may be pushed to the following meeting.

If you would like to apply for or discuss the program in more detail, please contact Kari Svanstrom, Planning Director at (707) 823-6167 or <a href="mailto:KSvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org">KSvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org</a>

Facade Improvement Program Application Packet

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

# 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 <u>Winter Reading Challenge</u> and <u>Scavenger Hunt</u> for a season

full of joy and activities for everyone.



Get your read on with the 2022 <u>Winter Reading Challenge!</u> 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 <u>sonomalibrary.beanstack.org</u> or in the Beanstack app. Paper logs are available <u>at your local library</u>, or <u>download and print</u> from home.



Explore with the Sonoma County Library's family-friendly <u>virtual scavenger hunt</u> 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 <a href="mailto:events@sonomalibrary.org">events@sonomalibrary.org</a> for an alternative way to play!

# SEBASTOPOL LOCAL SHUTTLE 24 EXTENDS SATURDAY SCHEDULE

## Effective December 13, 2021, the Route 24 Sebastopol Shuttle schedule extends Saturday service.

The new schedule operates Monday thru Saturday on the same schedule, with the exception of the 11:12 and 6:13 trips which operate only on weekdays. The new schedule expands Route 24's operation on Saturday. The previous schedule operated on Saturday between 9:00 and 3:11, the new schedule operates between 7:45 and 5:33.

The Sebastopol Shuttle is free for all riders under Sonoma County Transit's "Fare-Free" program. The Sebastopol Shuttle's "Fare-Free" program is subsidized by the City of Sebastopol.

Visit the <u>Sonoma County Transit</u> website for more information or click <u>HERE</u> for the new schedule.

