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Progressive Pride Flag Raising at City Hall (L to R): Mayor Neysa Hinton, Vice Mayor Diana Gardner Rich, Councilmember Jill McLewis, Councilmember Sandra Maurer, Councilmember Stephen Zollman

# SEBASTOPOL CITY COUNCIL RAISES PROGRESSIVE PRIDE FLAG TO CELEBRATE PRIDE MONTH

On Tuesday, June 6th, the Sebastopol City Council gathered at City Hall to raise the Progressive Pride flag. The flag will fly above City Hall for the month of June in honor of Pride Month 2023.

# SEBASTOPOL FIRE DEPARTMENT BLOOD DRIVE - JUNE 13TH

# **BLOOD DRIVE**

Because of you, life doesn't stop.



## **Sebastopol Fire Department**

Tuesday, June 13, 2023 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Truck Bay

7425 Bodega Ave. Sebastopol, CA 95472

To make an appointment, visit donors.vitalant.org.
Use your unique blood drive code:
Sebastopol



APPOINTMENTS are encouraged.



Ask us how you can **POWER UP** your donation.

#### It's the Big \$10K Giveaway!

All donors who come to give in June are automatically entered into a drawing to win 1 of 2 \$10,000 prepaid gift cards!

Gift card is redeemable by email\*
\*Terms and Conditions Apply

### To make an appointment:





877-258-4825 877-25-VITAL



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Click **HERE** to view the 2022 Consumer Confidence Report.

This notice contains instructions for you to obtain important information about your drinking water.

Este reporte contiene las instrucciones mas recientes para obtener informacion importante sobre su agua potable.

# DO YOU HAVE OLD RESIDENTIAL SOLAR PANELS THAT YOU NEED TO RECYCLE?

Join Zero Waste Sonoma, the Conservation Corps North Bay, and CalRecycle as we host our very first residential solar panel collection event!

Solar panels are currently considered universal waste, a category of hazardous waste, and cannot be safely disposed of in a landfill. Only 10% of solar photovoltaic, or PV, panels are recycled today in the US. Several companies and organizations in California recycle old solar panels to retrieve the valuable mineral components to use in new panels, but they only accept large quantity donations that are far larger than a typical residential array. Valuable materials contained in solar panels include cadmium telluride, silver, copper, and silicon. When removed from old panels these materials can be reutilized, lowering the need for additional mining for the projected demand for solar panels, driven in part by legislation.

Read the full Press Release **HERE**.

#### **EVENT DETAILS**

Date: Friday, June 16, 2023

Time: 9am to 5pm

Location: Luther Burbank Center for the Arts, 50 Mark West Springs Road, Santa Rosa, CA 95403 APPOINTMENT REQUIRED - Schedule HERE



KNOW A BUSINESS, SCHOOL, OR ORGANIZATION WITH SURPLUS FOOD?



Ask them to donate it and help fight food insecurity! Zero Waste Sonoma has partnered with Conservation Corps North Bay (CCNB) to offer free food pick up services. The food will be distributed to local food banks and pantries to feed low-income individuals and families. Free software is also available at <a href="https://careit.com/">https://careit.com/</a>. Food items posted within Careit will automatically notify CCNB and other nearby food recovery organizations to pick up. Please contact Xinci at <a href="mailto:Xinci.tan@sonoma-county.org">Xinci.tan@sonoma-county.org</a> to help an organization start donating food, or with any questions.

### **UPCOMING MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS (MYN) CLASSES**

#### **MYN Classes**

Being prepared together

Classes are on Zoom on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm.

### **Upcoming Classes**

June 21, 2023

Sign up for an upcoming MYN class HERE.

See the <u>SebastopolReady Calendar</u> for a complete list of classes.

Learn more about the MYN program and classes HERE.





### ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE (AMI) OPT-OUT PROGRAM INFORMATION

At the City of Sebastopol, we support offering our customers a choice in metering infrastructure. The AMI Opt-Out Program is for residential customers who prefer not to have the data collector/



transmitter installed with their water meter. The program allows customers to have their meter read manually at the end of every month at no additional cost to the customer.

Most customers look forward to having an automated meter installed at their home and taking advantage of the many benefits that this technology offers, such as fewer visits from field service

representatives and immediate access to consumption information. However, if you are a City of Sebastopol residential customer and would prefer not to have an automated meter read at your home, Please call us at: **707-823-5331** or Email: <a href="mailto:citypw@cityofsebastopol.org">citypw@cityofsebastopol.org</a>.

Let one of our customer service representatives know that you would like to opt out of our automated meter program. The Opt-Out program allows customers who prefer not to have the data collector / transmitter with their water meter read manually at the end of every month at no additional cost to the customer.

AMI Opt-out Application
AMI Opt-out FAQ

# CLERK SOUGHT FOR MAYORS' & COUNCILMEMBERS' ASSOCIATION OF SONOMA COUNTY

The City of Sebastopol has been tasked with searching/recruitment for a Clerk for the Mayors' & Councilmembers' Association of Sonoma County.

The focus of the Mayors' and Councilmembers' Association (MCA) of Sonoma County has been the exchange of ideas among fellow elected officials - both by educational presentations and by providing an opportunity to network with peers. The MCA Board of Directors (Board) also makes appointments to select regional



bodies, as well as serving as the City Selection Committee for Sonoma County, as required under Government Code §50270. The MCA Board and General Membership meetings are held quarterly, per the current by-laws. The MCA also has a Legislative Committee.

- <u>Professional Clerk Services for the Sonoma County Mayors and</u>
   Councilmembers Association | CalOpps
- Sonoma County Mayors and Councilmembers Association Clerk Position
- Agreement for Professional Services City of Sebastopol MCA Clerk

### **CITY NEWS**

### **CITY MEETINGS**

All meetings will be held both in-person and virtually and are open to the public to attend.

Meetings will be held at the Sebastopol Youth Annex, 425 Morris Street, Sebastopol, CA 95472, and are open for in-person attendance.

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 both in-person and virtually in real time when this feature is available.

#### **City Council Meetings:**

- Meeting Days: First and Third Tuesday of each month
- Meeting Time: 6pm
- Meeting Location: Sebastopol Youth Annex, 425 Morris St., Sebastopol, CA
- 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 June 20, 2023 @ 6:00 PM

#### **Planning Commission Meetings:**

- Meeting Days: Second and Fourth Tuesday of each month
- Meeting Time: 6pm
- Meeting Location: Sebastopol Youth Annex, 425 Morris St., Sebastopol, CA
- Livestream Link: <a href="http://bit.ly/sebcctv">http://bit.ly/sebcctv</a>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to ksvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org
- Next Meeting: There are currently no meetings scheduled.

#### **Design Review Board Meetings:**

- Meeting Days: Fourth Tuesday of each month
- Meeting Time: 3:30pm
- Meeting Location: Sebastopol Youth Annex, 425 Morris St., Sebastopol, CA

- Livestream Link: <a href="http://bit.ly/sebcctv">http://bit.ly/sebcctv</a>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to jjay@cityofsebastopol.org
- Next Meeting: There are currently no meetings scheduled.

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

- Meeting Days: First Wednesday of each month
- Meeting Time: 1:30pm
- Meeting Location: Sebastopol Youth Annex, 425 Morris St., Sebastopol, CA
- Livestream Link: http://bit.ly/sebcctv
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to ksvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org
- Next Meeting: There are currently no meetings scheduled.

#### **Climate Action Committee Meetings:**

- Meeting Days: Second Tuesday of each month
- Meeting Time: 3pm
- Meeting Location: Sebastopol Youth Annex, 425 Morris St., Sebastopol, CA
- Livestream Link: <a href="http://bit.ly/sebcctv">http://bit.ly/sebcctv</a>
- To submit comments before meeting, send an email to <a href="mailto:jiay@cityofsebastopol.org">jiay@cityofsebastopol.org</a>
- Next Meeting: <u>Climate Action Committee Meeting of June 13, 2023 @ 3:00 PM</u>



### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

### **LUNCH WITH A CITY COUNCILMEMBER - JUNE 14TH**

The Sebastopol Area Senior Center welcomes Councilmember Stephen Zollman to the Harvest Cafe on June 14th. We hope you will sit at his table or stop by the table to say hello or ask a question.



Click **HERE** for more info about the Harvest Cafe.





Councilmember Stephen Zollman

# HELP YOUR STUDENTS GET FREE MONEY FOR COLLEGE WITH THE NEW CALKIDS PROGRAM FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA



CalKIDS is a new program from the State of California that provides up to \$1,500 in free money for college and career training to eligible low-income public school students.

CalKIDS can help families boost their children's college savings and increase access to higher education. To learn more and find out who qualifies, visit

CalKIDS.org today.

ART AT THE SOURCE - OPEN STUDIOS LAST WEEKEND JUNE 10-11



Art at the Source began in 1995 as a spring venue for the public to meet working artists, learn about their creative process, and purchase their work in open studios. Operating under the guidance of the Sebastopol Center for the Arts, AATS offers Sonoma County artists a platform to showcase their artwork in their studios, or in combined groups with other artists.

For more info visit: <a href="https://www.artatthesource.org">https://www.artatthesource.org</a>

# PEACETOWN SUMMER CONCERT SERIES BEGINS WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14TH



Head to the Barlow to take in the sweet sounds of summer as the Peacetown Summer Concert series kicks off on Wednesday, June 14th. Every Wednesday, through August 16th, the Barlow will be filled with music and dancing alongside a variety of local wines and food to enjoy from 5pm-8:30pm.

To view this summer's music lineup, visit <u>www.peacetown.org/summer-2023</u>.

**Contact Us** 





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