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Is volunteering on your list of New Year's resolutions? Join us one Saturday morning a month to help with a variety of projects to maintain and improve the citywide trails system. Find out about upcoming locations and other details at www.carlsbadca.gov/trails.

 City of
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Survey says ...

The results of the city's latest resident satisfaction survey are in.



- 91 percent of residents are satisfied with city services
- 97 percent of residents approve of Carlsbad's quality of life
- 81 percent of residents are confident in local government to make decisions that positively affect their lives

To read the full survey report, visit the city's website.



Desal Plant *up and Running*



The Carlsbad Desalination Project, developed through a public-private partnership with Poseidon Water and the San Diego County Water Authority, is officially up and running, delivering a new source of drinking water to the San Diego region. The 50 million gallon a day plant, the largest seawater desalination plant in the Western Hemisphere, has received worldwide attention. By 2020, the plant is expected to account for 7 to 10 percent of the region's water supply.

Wet Weather *Safe Driving Tips*

Traffic accidents are one of the biggest dangers of heavy rain, and the one easiest to avoid:

- **Slow down.** Posted speed limits are for normal driving conditions. Reduce speeds as needed when roads are wet.
- **Leave room.** Leave extra room between your car and the cars ahead of you.
- **Avoid hydroplaning.** As little as 1/12 of an inch water at a speed of more than 35 miles per hour can cause hydroplaning. If you start to hydroplane, let off the accelerator slowly and steer straight until you regain control.
- **Don't cross.** Avoid crossing areas where flood water is present. Even a small amount traveling at high speed can cause drivers to lose control.
- **Check your tires.** Make sure your tires have enough tread and are properly inflated.
- **Don't cruise.** Cruise control can cause your car to accelerate when hydroplaning and reduces driver attentiveness.



It's the Law

Be aware of safety laws in effect during wet weather.

- Drivers must use windshield wipers when it's raining, and they must be in good working condition.
- Headlights must be turned on.
- When a traffic signal is not working, treat the intersection as a four-way stop.





Fun Things to Do

Carlsbad Sculpture Garden Exhibition

January – June, Free
 Carlsbad Sculpture Garden
 2955 Elmwood St.
 760-434-2920

Reclaimed, Repurposed and Remembered features whimsical and brightly colored sculptures by Escondido artists Leslie and Paul Wilton of Metalmorph Sculpture Studio created from recycled and repurposed objects such as machinery, car parts, ordinary household tableware and construction materials.



Foreign Film Fridays

Feb. 5 and 19, 5 and 7 p.m., Free
 Carlsbad Senior Center
 760-434-2920

The Cultural Arts Office's popular program moves to the Carlsbad Senior Center during Dove Library's renovation. On Feb. 5, enjoy the award-winning *In The Mood for Love* and on Feb. 19, the French film *The Chorus*.

This Is Jazz!

Feb. 13 and March 12, 4 p.m., Free
 Carlsbad Senior Center
 760-434-2920

The Cultural Arts Office's popular four-part lecture/performance series highlights jazz, with live demonstrations by musical guests and lively discussions between artists and audience. Guests include guitarist Robin Henkel and vocalist Whitney Shay on Feb. 13 and trio Besos de Coco on March 12.



Trail Volunteer Events

Feb. 20, Rancho La Costa Southern Preserve
 March 19, Coastal Rail Trail

Help clean up and maintain the city's many beautiful trails while meeting new friends and enjoying nature. Trail clean up events are held from 8:30 – 11:30 a.m. See the city website for directions and parking information, www.carlsbadca.gov/trails.

Epic Teen Nights: Party at the Park

Feb. 20, 5 – 9 p.m., \$8 per person
 Calavera Hills Community Center
 760-602-7510

This event includes all the necessary ingredients for a party: dancing, video games, giant inflatables, Zorb balls and laser tag. Teens can be dropped off at the park for an exciting night complete with competitions and a photo booth. Event is for middle and high school students only. Valid student ID may be required at check in.

EGGstravaganza Spring Festival

March 26, 2016, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
 Poinsettia Park
 760-434-2843

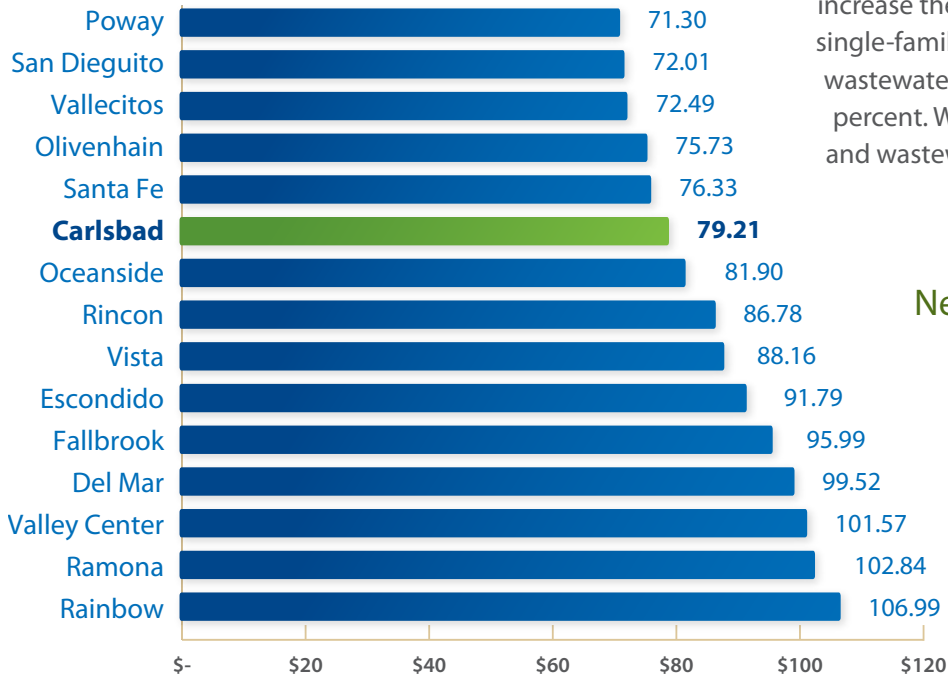
Carlsbad's largest egg hunt features the "Egg Scramble" activity where kids race to collect candy-filled eggs as well as several other fun activities. Activity cards and wristbands are available for purchase at the event for \$6.



For a complete, searchable calendar of events, visit www.carlsbadca.gov.

Water, Wastewater Rates Increase Still among the lowest in North County

Water Rate Comparison



The Carlsbad Municipal Water District will increase the drinking water rate for the average single-family residence by 5.25 percent and the wastewater rate for the same customers by 6.8 percent. With these changes, Carlsbad's water and wastewater rates continue to rank among the lowest in San Diego County.

New rates effective
Jan. 1, 2016

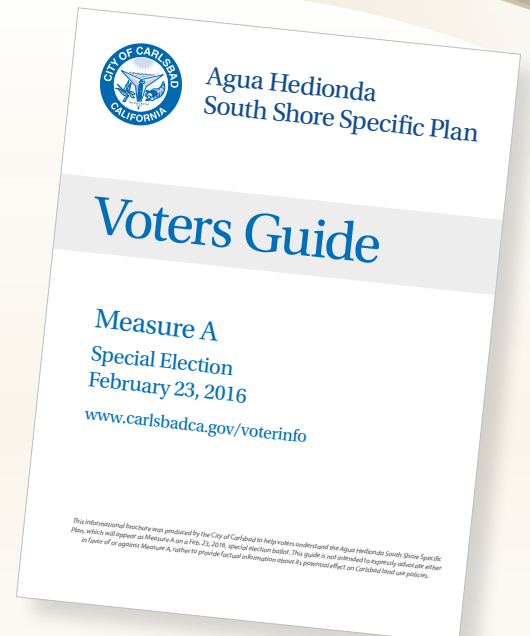


Measure A Special Election Tuesday, Feb. 23

The City of Carlsbad will hold a special election on Measure A, the Agua Hedionda South Shore Specific Plan.

Check your mail for a voter information guide summarizing the city's impartial planning, policy, economic and environmental review of the plan and how it compares to existing city standards. More detailed information, including original reports, technical studies and maps, is available on the city website.

www.carlsbadca.gov/voterinfo



This informational brochure was prepared by the City of Carlsbad to help voters understand the Agua Hedionda South Shore Specific Plan, which will appear on Measure A on a Feb. 23, 2016, special election ballot. This guide is not intended to persuade voters either in favor of or against Measure A, rather to provide factual information about its proposed effect on Carlsbad land use policies.