



Bathroom Accessibility Grant

The Seal Beach Bathroom Accessibility Program is an innovative City Program designed to provide residents aged 55+ with a more convenient and safe method to access the bathroom shower. This grant program modifies units to make them more accessible and the improvements are 100% free.

Eligibility Requirements

- Seal Beach resident
- Homeowner age 55+
- Gross annual household income less than the area median income

Example Projects

- Walk-in shower unit
- Grab bars
- Shower seating
- Tall toilet installation

How to Apply

- Visit www.civicstone.com
- Funding must be allocated by August

Additional Information

- Email monique@civicstone.com
- Call (909) 364-9000

Visit <https://www.sealbeachca.gov/City-Services/Senior-Services>

If you are a Seal Beach homeowner, aged 55 or older and making below the area median income, you may qualify for a grant-funded program to update your bathroom with safety features such as modified walk-in bathtubs, grab bars, and similar improvements. This program is typically limited to Leisure World, but for a short period of time, we are able to offer it citywide. If you are interested in learning more, please find more information on our webpage, or call (909) 364-9000.

SEAL BEACH STAFF MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Every Thursday of each month, City staff are able to wear denim to help contribute to various charities, and for 2022 our staff donated over \$1,430.00 to various charities:

- Action Against Hunger - \$550.00
- Good Neighbors - \$160.00
- Victims First - \$135.00
- National Law Enforcement Cancer Support Foundation - \$350.00
- The Gentle Barn - \$236.15

Next time you see staff members wearing denim on Thursdays, you now know they are helping out some great local charities!

CITY NOTES

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

- Mon, Feb 13 - 7:00 p.m. - Council Chambers
- Mon, Feb 27 - 7:00 p.m. - Council Chambers

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

- Mon, Feb 6 - 7:00 p.m. - Council Chambers
- Tues, Feb 21 - 7:00 p.m. - Council Chambers

City Council and Planning Commission meetings can be viewed on SBTV-3 and on the City's YouTube Channel. A recording of the meeting will be posted within 24 hours.

UPCOMING HOLIDAY/CITY HALL CLOSURES

February 20, 2023 (Presidents Day)

FIND US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Want to keep up with City events, news, and programs? Follow our Lifeguard, Recreation, K9, Police Department, and Public Works Departments.



- @ SEAL BEACH RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
- @ SEAL BEACH MARINE SAFETY DEPARTMENT
- @ SEAL BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT
- @ SEALBEACHPUBLICWORKS



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- @SEALBEACHRECREATION
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- @K9.SAURUS



CITY DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

FOR PERIOD OF JANUARY 14 - JANUARY 27, 2023

CITY CLERK

- At the January 23, 2023, City Council meeting, Mayor Kalmick and the City Council observed a “Moment of Silence” in memory of the victims of the Monterey Park deadly mass shooting that took place on the eve of Lunar New Year.
- The Mayor adjourned the January 23, 2023 City Council meeting in memory of Riverside County Deputy Sheriff Isaiah Cordero, who was shot and killed in the line of duty on Thursday, December 29, 2022, and Riverside County Deputy Sheriff Darnell Calhoun, who was also shot and killed in the line of duty on Friday, January 13, 2023, and in memory of the victims of the Monterey Park deadly mass shooting.

CITY MANAGER

- Attended California Joint Powers Insurance Authority Risk Management Academy.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- A scoping meeting, which is a part of the process for the Old Ranch Country Club Environmental Impact Report (EIR), is scheduled for Wednesday, February 22nd at the regular meeting of the Environmental Quality Control Board. The meeting will begin at 6pm in the City Council Chambers. Further information will be available on the City’s website.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

- The first Community Garden Clean up of the year will be held Saturday, February 4th from 8 am to 12 noon. Even if you aren’t a gardener, you are welcome to stop by and see plant enthusiasts in action!
- There are currently 1,300 users registered for the Senior Transportation Program. The program is available for Seal Beach residents ages 60 years and older and consists of a pre-fixed shuttle route and Yellow Cab Taxi service. To register for the program, please visit www.sealbeachca.gov or contact the Recreation and Community Services Department at (562) 431-2527 X 1307.
- Seal Beach Recreation and Community Services staff attended the California Parks and Recreation Society (CPRS) District 10 Training on Thursday, January 26 from 8:00am-2:30pm at the Columbus Tustin Recreation Center located at 17522 Beneta Way, Tustin 92780. The training featured professional development and networking opportunities to professionals in the field of recreation.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Pay stations are going active for metered lots.
- Police Facility Dog Yosa responded to Tustin PD to assist with a debrief of a critical incident.
- Conducting critical incident debriefing with Seal Beach Police Department staff.
- Senior Community Services officers continuing with animal control field training.

PUBLIC WORKS

- The City’s Requests for Proposals (RFP’s) for water quality analyses and sampling services closed on Monday, January 16, 2023. Staff is currently reviewing all proposals received.
- Staff attended a training provided by Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC) on turf removal and spray-to-drip inspections. The training covered pre-inspection and post-inspection requirements and an overview of their online application portal.
- Our Assistant Engineer Denice Bailey has recently accepted a position with a neighboring city. Although we will miss her dearly, we are all very happy for her and grateful for her dedication to the City of Seal Beach. Denice Bailey proudly served the City of Seal Beach for the last four years and oversaw several important Capital Improvement Projects with the most recent one being the Seal Beach Tennis and Pickleball Center. Denice will be training Mr. Nhut Pham who is a contractor with NV5 until her position is filled.
- Staff responded to a water main break in Leisure World and assisted the Golden Rain Foundation’s maintenance crew with excavation cleanup.



- Engine 44 recently received a backpack carried, battery operated combination forcible entry tool, and a battery-powered reciprocal saw used by our heavy rescue teams to assist with vehicle forcible entry and victim extrication as well as other for force entry applications such as removal of bars on windows during house fires.
- Battery-powered combination devices are specially designed rescue equipment for cutting and spreading vehicle body parts; they are used to rescue trapped or enclosed accident victims. The combination device's uses include: cutting door and roof beams, columns and sills, opening doors, lifting vehicle parts and loads, and crushing pipes and beams. The spreader is a specially designed rescue device for spreading, pressing, and pulling. Because the devices are equipped with internal electro-hydraulic drive, they are not linked to a power unit and can therefore be used in hard-to-reach locations.



WEST CITIES POLICE COMMUNICATIONS



- Communication Center phone calls over the last 7 days:
 - 911 calls - 600
 - Non-Emergency Calls - 2,224
 - total Calls - 2,824
- Calls for services handled over the last 7 days for all agencies - 1,462

DISASTER LOSS TAX DEDUCTION

Seal Beach residents impacted by winter storms are now eligible to claim a deduction for a disaster loss and will have more time to file their taxes.

“Whether it’s more time to file your taxes or getting a deduction, this tax relief will support Californians who have been impacted by the ongoing storms battering the state,” said Governor Newsom. “California is working swiftly to get people back on their feet and help communities recover.”

Taxpayers affected by a presidentially declared disaster may claim a deduction for a disaster loss. Taxpayers may claim a disaster loss when filing either an original or amended tax year 2022 tax return.

When filing their return, taxpayers should write the name of the disaster in blue or black ink at the top of their tax return to alert FTB. If filing electronically, taxpayers should follow the software instructions to enter disaster information. If a taxpayer receives a late filing or payment penalty notice related to the postponement period, they should call the number on the notice to have the penalty abated.

For more information:

<https://www.gov.ca.gov/2023/01/13/tax-relief-for-californians-impacted-by-storms/>



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SEAL BEACH BOULEVARD MEDIAN PLANTING

The median on Seal Beach Boulevard between Lampson Avenue and Old Ranch Parkway has undergone a redesign. Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) and Caltrans initiated the reconfiguration due to the need for two left-turn lanes onto the northbound I-405 north, replacing the previous single left-turn lane. In March 2021, portions of the median were demolished to create a new median shape that would fit both turn pockets and new landscaping. Just recently, towards the end of 2022 and start of 2023, the newly rebuilt median was planted with all new drought-tolerant plants, shrubs, and vibrant palm trees.



AMERICAN PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION MENTORSHIP PROGRAM



Executive Assistant Liz Camarena completed a mentorship (mentee) program through American Public Works Association (APWA). This one-year commitment is designed to coach, guide and assist mentees towards a successful and fulfilling career. Mentors are typically senior-level managers in the public and private sector with 15 years or more of experience with a desire to give back to the profession. One of the goals of the program is for the mentee to better understand the critical aspects of Public Works, operations, administration and develop strong leadership skills. Special thanks to Marc Wight with the City of Long Beach for being an amazing and dedicated mentor.

SPRING 2023 SHORELINE

Staff began development of the Spring 2023 Shoreline which takes place from Monday, April 3 – Saturday, June 3. The Shoreline will be posted online on February 10th with registration beginning Monday, February 13th at 8:00am. Registration takes place in person at City Hall, by mail with check payable to the City of Seal Beach, or online at register.sealbeachca.gov

SENIOR SERVICES

SENIOR LUNCH CAFE: The Seal Beach Lunch Program is provided by Meals on Wheels Orange County (OC) at the North Seal Beach Center located at 3333 St. Cloud Drive. The Dine-In Lunch Café takes place Monday - Friday from 11:00am- 12:00pm. The Dine-In Lunch Program is open to adults ages 60 years and older. A suggested donation for lunch is \$3.00. For any additional questions, please contact Anthony at (562) 431-2527 ext. 1344 or visit www.sealbeachca.gov/city-services/senior-services.

SENIOR CARD GAMES: The Seal Beach Recreation and Community Services Department hosts the Senior Card Games at the North Seal Beach Community Center located at 3333 St. Cloud Drive every Thursday from 12:30pm-2:30pm. Games can include: Pinochle, Bridge, Rummy, or any other card games participants may want to play. This is a great opportunity to meet and socialize with other players. For more information, please contact Anthony at (562) 431-2527 ext. 1344, or email anguyen@sealbeachca.gov

COMMUNITY SERVICES UPDATES THROUGHOUT SEAL BEACH





Free Tax Assistance

TAXPAYERS AGES 50+ | FEBRUARY 6 - APRIL 10
MONDAYS | 8:30AM - 10:45AM | FIRESTATION 48
APPOINTMENTS REQUIRED

To schedule an appointment, contact (562) 431-2527 X 1307 or communityservices@sealbeachca.gov

Free Tax Assistance with AARP – The City of Seal Beach in partnership with AARP is offering free tax assistance for taxpayers ages 50 and over. Appointments take place every Monday from February 6 – April 10 from 8:30am – 10:45am at OCFA Fire Station 48 located at 3131 N Gate Road, Seal Beach 90740. Appointments are 45 minutes in length and can be made by contacting the Seal Beach Recreation and Community Services Department at (562) 431-2527 X 1307 or communityservices@sealbeachca.gov.

Have a question for us? We have an answer for you.

Email AskCityHall@sealbeachca.gov



YOSA'S DOG BLOG

@k9yosa

This is the second annual Yosa coloring contest. You can pick up a Yosa coloring page at City Hall at either the City Manager's Office or Finance Department, or you can print a copy of the sheet attached. Be sure to check out Yosa's Instagram to see the results of her second annual coloring contest!



Ages 60+!

Seal Beach Senior Card Games



EVERY THURSDAY NORTH SEAL BEACH CENTER
3333 ST. CLOUD DRIVE
12:30PM-2:30PM

Enjoy BUNCO - RUMMY - BRIDGE - PINOCHLE - AND MORE!

FREE!

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
CALL: (562) 431-2527 X 1344
EMAIL: ANGUyen@SEALBEACHCA.GOV

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

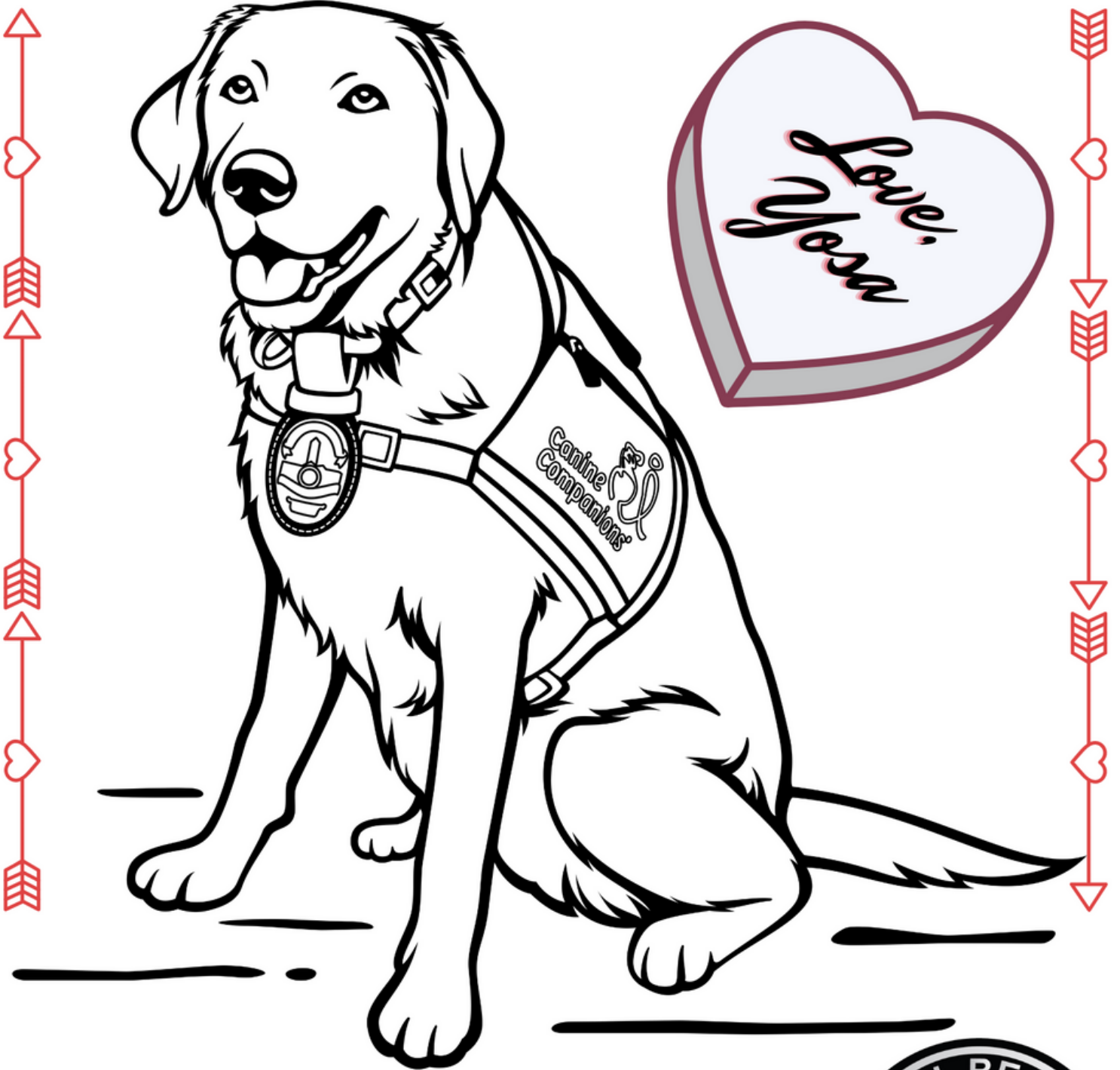
JANUARY 2023

- 4 GARDEN CLEANUP
EDISON COMMUNITY GARDENS
- 17 - 19 SIDEWALK SALE
MAIN STREET



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FEBRUARY 2023 COLORING PAGE



NAME: _____

AGE: _____

GRADE: _____



 @K9YOSA