

District Updates



From the San Dieguito Team:

On behalf of the SDWD Team, we hope you enjoyed the Holiday Season and wish you and your loved ones a Happy New Year!

Director Allison Blackwell appointed President of San Dieguito Water District Board of Directors

Director Allison Blackwell was appointed as the President of the San Dieguito Water District Board of Directors. As a subsidiary district of the City of Encinitas, the Encinitas City Council serves as the District's Board of Directors. With her appointment as Deputy Mayor at the December 13, 2023 City Council Meeting, Director Blackwell became the District's Board President for 2024.

North County Water Agencies 4th Grade Water Awareness Calendars Available Now

Every year, San Dieguito Water District customers participate in the North County Water Awareness Poster Contest. Winning entries from each participating agency are featured in a calendar.

Calendars are available while supplies last at the following locations:

- SDWD Office: 160 Calle Magdalena
- City Hall: 505 S. Vulcan Ave
- Encinitas Community & Senior Center: 1140 Oakcrest Park Dr.

Discounted Rain Barrels @ Solana Center

To encourage water conservation, San Dieguito Water District, Olivenhain Municipal Water District, and Santa Fe Irrigation District have partnered to offer rain barrels to area residents at a \$35 discount. Collecting rainwater for future use not only can save drinking water, but also reduces irrigation runoff that can carry pollutants into local waterways and beaches.

Resources & Programs

Rebates & Incentives

Residential, Commercial, & Agricultural Rebates. Find info at socialwatersmart.com.

Water Use Surveys

Complimentary virtual or in-person water-use surveys. Find info at waterefficiencysurvey.com.

Landscape Makeover Videos On Demand

Step-by-step process of creating your very own water-efficient landscape. Find info at watersmartsd.org.

Voluntary Water Quality Sampling

Join a list of candidates for SDWD's annual water quality sampling. Candidates will be chosen to provide SDWD with the best representative sample of the service area. If selected, staff will provide and collect water sampling kits for you to use at your home. Sampled customers will receive results. [Register HERE](#).



San Dieguito Water District

San Dieguito Water District has been serving coastal Encinitas

Rain barrels ordered using the link below are available for local pick up at Solana Center for Environmental Innovation located at 137 North El Camino Real in Encinitas. Program ends February 29, 2024.

[Order Rain Barrels for Local Pick-Up Here](#)

[News](#)

LIHWAP extended through March 2024

The Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP), established by Congress in 2021, offers one-time payments to cover outstanding residential water and/or wastewater bills. The federal government allocated \$116 million to California to help households struggling to pay their water bills. Statewide, \$40 million remains for the program, with nearly \$5 million remaining for San Diego County.

To qualify, household income must be at or below 60% of the State Median Income or a household member is a current recipient of CalFresh or CalWORKs. Interested San Dieguito customers can reach out to Capempesinos Unidos, Inc. on Mondays and Wednesdays from 8 am - 11:30 am and 1 pm - 3pm to check eligibility and schedule an interview. Call (619) 391-9790.

[Find Article Here.](#) (Water News Network)

Unpacking California's Wild Weather Year

Overall, when it comes to precipitation, 2023 has been one for the books. California measures its annual rainfall over a water year, which runs from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30, and the most recent water year ranked as California's 10th wettest since record-keeping began 128 years ago.

[Find Article Here.](#) (NY Times)

[Events](#)

Virtual Landscape Workshops

These FREE, three-hour virtual workshops will give you the skills and knowledge to create a yard that loves San Diego as much as you do! Each workshop, taught by a local landscape design professional, focuses on specific landscape topics with a "do-it-yourself" approach including landscape design and maintenance, soil identification and health, turf types and removal tips, plant selection, rainwater catchment, irrigation retrofits and project installation.

[View Workshop Schedule and Register HERE](#)

[Other Resources](#)

City of Encinitas Newsletter

Stay in the loop with the City newsletters and e-notifications. There is a variety of email lists to choose from. Get all the latest updates on city news, events, and enjoyable activities happening around town!

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since 1922. The District serves the communities of Leucadia, Old Encinitas, Cardiff, and portions of New Encinitas.

Use this [Find Your Water District](#) tool to confirm your water provider.



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