



Contra Costa Special Districts Association Newsletter

Contra Costa Chapter of the California Special Districts Association

January 2022 Quarterly Newsletter

Contra Costa Special Districts Association future meetings

January 24, 2022
March 21, 2022
May 16, 2022
July (11 or 18) 2022 Annual joint meeting with Alameda

Save the Date!

CSDA Legislative Days will be May 17 & 18, 2022

Now more than ever special districts need to advocate on behalf of the communities they serve. From the pandemic to climate adaptation, lawmakers in Sacramento and Washington D.C. are making critical decisions that will impact the budget, infrastructure, and operations of your district. At the time this was written it is scheduled to be a virtual event.

Did you Know?

Stan Caldwell broke his back on September 17th, 2021, the two lowest vertebrates. Stan was in the hospital for 10 days then sent to a skilled nursing facility. He was able to return home on Wednesday 20th of October to recover, it is estimated to take up to three months to heal.

UC Berkeley and EBMUD announce new Center for Smart Infrastructure

The University of California, Berkeley, and the East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) are teaming up to launch a new research and innovation center that will apply cutting-edge technology to address infrastructure challenges our communities face due to climate change, aging systems and natural hazards.



Contra Costa LAFCo commissioners

Special District Members

Igor Skaredoff, Chair
Term Expires: 5/2/22

Michael R. McGill
Term Expires: 5/6/24

Stanley Caldwell, Alternate
Term Expires: 5/2/22

Note that Igor and Stan's terms are up this year. LAFCo will hold elections early this year, Stan has not yet decided if he will run again. Please consider serving on LAFCo

KENSINGTON POLICE PROTECTION & COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT NEWS

In October the district announced an Employment Opportunity they are looking for a new General Manager

Other district news

The Kensington Police Department's Key Program is designed to provide the police department a copy of the key to your residence. The key will only be utilized during medical emergencies, lock outs and welfare checks. Only authorized persons providing identification or a valid pin# will be granted access. All keys are kept secured within the police department, with only sworn law enforcement personnel granted access with all incidents logged and documented via police department software.

The Kensington Police Protection and Community Services District received the District Transparency Certificate of Excellence by the Special District Leadership Foundation (SDLF) in recognition of its outstanding efforts to promote transparency and good governance.



CSDA Award Winners



The Exceptional Public Outreach & Advocacy Award (Large District Category) Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District for their AC Transit Tempo BRT Public Outreach.

The William Hollingsworth Award of Excellence is CSDA's lifetime achievement award.

The criteria for the William Hollingsworth Award of Excellence includes a demonstration of significant leadership for special districts regionally or statewide over a long period of time. This year's winner is Stan Caldwell



Left Ryan Claunitzer CSDA board president, Center Neil McCormick CSDA CEO, Right Stan Caldwell

Thank you to all who attended the 2021 Annual Conference & Exhibitor Showcase in Monterey and big congratulations to all of this year's CSDA Annual Award winners and the first-ever special district to receive an Institute for Local Government Beacon Award! Award winner photos and those incredible district award videos are up on CSDA's website and YouTube channel.

Save-the-date for the 2022 Annual Conference & Exhibitor Showcase August 22-25 in Palm Springs.

East Bay Regional Parks and Sea Level Rise

Managing Shoreline Parks in the Face of a Changing Climate



Congratulations to Supervising Naturalist Kevin Damstra, recent recipient of the National Association of Interpretation 2021 **Master Interpretive Manager Award**. This award is presented to one supervisor or manager in the interpretive field each year. Nominees from across the country are recognized for their mastery of interpretive techniques, excellent staff management, and the ability to pass these skills on to others. This year, Kevin Damstra was nominated for navigating the Park District's transition to digital learning during the global pandemic, introducing new virtual and augmented reality experiences, and continuing to inspire interpretive staff in cutting-edge interpretive techniques. Congratulations, Kevin!

Request for Proposals for Jersey Island Grazing Lease

Ironhouse Sanitary District (ISD) is interested in enhancing the financial performance of Jersey Island. The purpose of this RFP is to identify a qualified Lessee to lease and maintain approximately 2,395 acres of pastures on Jersey Island. The pastures, described later in this RFP, have been used for grazing ISD-owned cattle by ISD employees for the past 20 years. ISD is in the process of selling its herd of approximately 2,300 cattle, with the anticipated completion of all cattle sales by April 30, 2022.

If a preferred Lessee is identified through this RFP process and approved by the ISD Board, it is anticipated that the ISD Board would direct staff to execute a Lease Agreement with the preferred Lessee. After execution of the Lease Agreement, the Lessee would begin working with ISD staff during a transition period. It is anticipated the commencement date of the Lease Agreement would be May 1, 2022 ("Lease Commencement Date").



Stephen L. Weir Building Dedication

The Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors honored former Contra Costa County elections chief Stephen Weir by dedicating the Contra Costa County Clerk-Recorder-Elections Building as the Stephen L. Weir Building.



Stephen Weir served as the Contra Costa County clerk-recorder and register of voters from 1989 to 2013. He was also the California Association of Clerks and Election Officials president from 2006 to 2008, served on the Concord City Council from 1980 to 1989, and served on other regional commissions.

New Regional Park at Former Concord Naval Weapons Station named after First Black Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall

On Tuesday, June 1, 2021, the East Bay Regional Park District Board of Directors unanimously voted to name the new regional park at the former Concord Naval Weapons Station "Thurgood Marshall Regional Park - Home of the Port Chicago 50."

The naming recognizes the history of the deadly Port Chicago explosion which killed 320 enlisted men, mostly African American, and injured 390 more, on July 17, 1944; the bravery of the fifty service men who protested against the discriminatory policies of the segregated Navy including the unsafe and unjust working conditions; and Thurgood Marshall whose advocacy on their behalf as an attorney for the NAACP led to the desegregation of the U.S. military. Marshall went on to serve as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States from October 1967 to October 1991.

The naming of this park is itself historic as this is the first regional park in Contra Costa County to be named after an African American.

"The Thurgood Marshall Regional Park - Home of the Port Chicago 50 park name acknowledges this important Black American history and social justice significance," said East Bay Regional Park District Board Director Beverley Lane who has represented Concord on the East

Bay Regional Park District Board since 1994. "Thurgood Marshall brought national attention to the case that prompted the U.S. Secretary of the Navy to order desegregation of the U.S. Navy in 1946," added Lane.

Several community organizations, including the NAACP and Friends of Port Chicago National Memorial supported the naming of the park in honor of Thurgood Marshall and the Port Chicago 50. The Park District's citizen-led Parks Advisory Committee unanimously supported the name at its meeting on May 24. The City of Concord unanimously endorsed the park name at its May 29 City Council meeting.

"The new Thurgood Marshall Regional Park - Home of the Port Chicago 50 park name has both historical and representational significance," said Congressman Mark DeSaulnier. "As a defender of the Port Chicago 50 in their historic fight against discrimination and wrongful conviction, Thurgood Marshall played an important role in their story. The trial, and Marshall's role in it, helped to play a role in the desegregation of the Armed Forces. As the first African American Supreme Court justice, Marshall is more than deserving of this honor."

The plan for the newly named park includes a joint visitor center with the National Park Service highlighting the history of the Port Chicago Naval Magazine National Memorial and the Diablo Valley, along with staging areas, and several miles of recreational trails for hiking, biking, and nature viewing. The future visitor center will tell the story of this important military story along with the stories of this land, including its agricultural history, natural history and restoration, and the stories of the Chupcan people who lived here.

"We appreciate all of the community's input and engagement on this naming process, and we hope the support will continue as we work with our partners and elected officials to raise the funding needed to build a world-class visitor center in the park to tell these important stories," said General Manager Sabrina Landreth.

The Park District is currently designing road improvements and plans to open a portion of the expansive park south of Bailey Road within the next two to three years. The U.S. Navy and National Park Service officially transferred the 2,500 acres of open space to the Park District in 2019 after a two-decade process brought about by the decommissioning of the Concord Naval Weapons Station in the 1990

The East Bay Regional Park District is the largest regional park system in the nation, comprising 73 parks, 55 miles of shoreline, and over 1,300 miles of trails for hiking, biking, horseback riding, and environmental education. The Park District receives more than 25 million visits annually throughout Alameda and Contra Costa counties in the San Francisco Bay Area.

ISD presented with Transparency Excellence Certificate of Excellence

Ironhouse Sanitary District has again received the Special District Leadership Foundations Transparency Certificate of Excellence.



California Special Districts Association's Colleen Haley a special guest attended the Ironhouse Sanitary District's Board of Directors meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 19. came to the meeting to present District Board and staff with the Special Districts Leadership Foundation's (SDLF) District Transparency Certificate of Excellence.

"I have been here many times to give many awards to Ironhouse," Haley said. "I am honored to once again present you with the Transparency Certificate of Excellence that shows your organization's dedication to accessible and open government."

The district has been certified for excellence in transparency by the SDFL since 2014, which recognizes outstanding efforts to promote transparency and good governance.

"This award is a testament to the Ironhouse Sanitary District's commitment to open government," said Chad Davisson, ISD's general manager. "Our staff is to be commended for their contributions that empower the public with information and facilitate engagement and oversight."

Contra Costa LAFCO Recognizes Contra Costa Water District and Diablo Water District

Contra Costa LAFCO recognizes CALAFCO award nominees Contra Costa Water District (CCWD) and Diablo Water District (DWD) for their exemplary leadership and collaboration in delivering clean, reliable municipal water service to Disadvantaged Communities (DACs) in Contra Costa County, and for their local and State partnerships and commitment and success serving DACs and over 500,000 people in central and eastern Contra Costa County.

CCWD is one of the largest urban water districts in California with a service boundary of 220+ square miles and delivers safe, clean water to approximately 500,000 people in central and eastern Contra Costa County.

CCWD is a leader in drinking-water treatment technology and source water protection.

DWD encompasses 21+ square miles including Oakley, downtown Knightsen, parts of Bethel Island including Delta Coves, and other unincorporated areas in East County. DWD collects, treats and supplies municipal water to over 42,000 residents. The District's primary sources of water include Central Valley Project (purchased from CCWD) and groundwater extracted from the East Contra Costa Subbasin. Much of the groundwater in far East Contra Costa County exceeds secondary drinking water standards, and in some cases, exceeds primary drinking water standards. Also, groundwater has limited benefits for fire protection.

Since the 1990s, these districts have annexed over 1,100 acres and extended clean, reliable municipal water to 2,700 service connections within DACs. The earlier annexations in Oakley and Bethel Island provided foundation infrastructure and opportunities for additional water system consolidations in East County. The districts have also been successful in obtaining State grant funding to assist with annexations.

CONGRATULATIONS to CCWD and DWD for their ongoing efforts to provide clean, reliable water to Contra Costa County residents!



BART redistricting process begins to redraw election districts

The BART Board of Directors' Redistricting Committee is receiving the 2020 Census data to begin the process of redrawing election districts to align with current population information.

The BART Redistricting Committee consists of Directors Lateefah Simon (Chairperson), Elizabeth Ames and Mark Foley.

BART election districts are redrawn every 10 years following the U.S. Census. The primary purpose of redistricting is to ensure population equality among districts. This process is guided by traditional redistricting principles as well as the U.S. Constitution, the California Constitution, the federal Voting Rights Act and the BART District Act.



\$13.5M devoted to wildfire prevention in the East Bay Regional Park District



On October 29, the Park District joined Assemblymember Rebecca Bauer-Kahan at Tilden Regional Park to thank her for her leadership in obtaining critical funds in the state budget for wildfire protection in Regional Parks. Assemblymember Bauer-Kahan helped secure \$3.5 million to upgrade the District's helicopter to ensure it can effectively and efficiently fight fires from the air, including increasing capacity to drop water on fires. Up-to-date equipment is vital to stopping wildfires quickly, limiting destruction of property, and saving lives.

Tilden's South Park Drive Closed for Annual Newt Migration



Every November South Park Drive at Tilden Park is closed to protect migrating California and rough-skinned newts - native salamanders five to six inches long - that migrate to water in the winter for breeding. For many newts, this means crossing busy roads like South Park Drive. The closure ensures a safe habitat for the small, slow-moving newts who have made Tilden Park their home. The public is welcome to use the road during the closure for walking, cycling, and dog-walking. However, please keep dogs away from the newts as they are poisonous.



CSDA and National Special Districts Coalition

CSDA's work on National Special Districts (NSDC) items continues to be very active. The Legislative & Executive Committees met at the end of October to cover numerous items. Below are some highlights:

Monitoring of Federal OSHA Workplace Vaccine Mandate

The Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration is expected to release its emergency temporary standard (ETS) mandating private employers with at least 100 employees to require COVID vaccinations or testing in lieu of taking the shot. This requirement would extend to state and local public employees in 22 states with active OSHA state plans, including NSDC members in California, Oregon, South Carolina, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

NSDC Virtual Congressional visits will hold in Mid-November: NSDC is coordinating opportunities for NSDC state members to meet with key members of their state congressional delegations November 17-19. The goal of the congressional meetings is to formally introduce NSDC, share information on constituent special districts, and cover areas of interest under the Coalition's 2021-2022 Federal Advocacy Platform.

The NSDC Legislative Committee met October 28 for its monthly meeting and took the following action:

- Approved support for legislation to reform certain aspects of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act as well as a bill to expand the use of Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund monies to transit infrastructure and response to natural disasters.
- Approved support of companion bipartisan House and Senate bills.
- Authorized sending a letter to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) requesting clarification on whether utility customers and utility providers will be required to report utility arrearage assistance available under the American Rescue Plan Act's Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund as taxable income. NSDC is advocating that IRS treat the funding as disaster assistance, which should be exempt from income reporting.

The NSDC Executive Committee also met early November and took the following action: Approved the template NSDC Affiliation Agreement that will be used when bringing on new Regular Members.

- Approved opening an NSDC bank account with Umpqua Bank.

CSDA Update On School Partnerships

In September 2019, CSDA engaged Dr. Hueling Lee in a contract to initiate, deepen, and scale special district partnerships with schools across the state. As part of the contract, Dr. Lee conducted outreach to a select number of special districts who responded to CSDA's school engagement survey.

To support its member districts across the state, CSDA has continued its engagement with Dr. Lee as a consultant to complete the following services prior to December 31, 2022, with the exception that the webinar component shall be presented in January or February of 2022:

The following are the key elements.

A0Build out a School Outreach and Student Engagement Library Community

- a) send eBlast to all member districts that have participated in prior survey to become part of the community, provide feedback on current supports and further needs
- b) Recruit and support several early adopting members to populate Community Library, where possible
- c) Draft initial thread discussions for early adopter members to seed library community discussions
- d) Guide and develop early adopter potential responses to community discussions
- e) Develop/add supporting artifacts (as needd/requested)

2.Support special district members to integrate State Seal of Civic Engagement framing to their education programs

- a) Background collateral on the State Seal of Civic Engagement for member districts
- b) Support/guide/train a member district to integrate civic learning into sample programming
- c) Construct case study to document the integration process (i.e., set expectations on what is required or helpful and what sample artifacts inclusive of civic learning and student access to the State Seal may look like)
- d) Set up/conduct/facilitate webinar on sample member programming integration of civic learning (inclusive of district members, school participants, and/or potential students)

CSDA board member Stan Caldwell expressed interest in participating/engaging in the scope of work.

Special District Leadership Foundation



The Special District Leadership Foundation has scholarships available regardless of annual budget and for Members or Non-members.

CSDA Membership

If your agency is not a CSDA member you can join now get up to 3 Months FREE!

Visit <https://www.csdanet.net/join>

For over 50 years, CSDA has provided California's special districts with a voice at the capitol, educational opportunities for board & staff, and online resources to keep them apprised of changes affecting local government agencies. Now is the time to join to receive up to 3 months for free!

California's special districts are stronger together. Through CSDA membership districts can connect and collaborate like never before. CSDA is committed to providing members with special programs and resources that can save them time and money.

California Special Districts Association Membership

To find out more about CSDA Membership contact CSDA Member Services at (916) 442-7887 or toll free at (877) 924-2732 Visit www.csdanet.net for more information

CCSDA 30th Anniversary Event video

Sometime in this year the Contra Costa Resource District (CCRCD) will invite your district representatives to a Martinez studio to record your district achievements. (Designated representatives will travel to downtown Martinez, or other nearby studio, to be videoed while highlighting their own district achievements, and or agenda.

The 30th Anniversary committee is working with CCRCD to finalize plans, Manager Chris Lim and Eric Akeson Digital Communications Manager will provide more information and possibly provide a brief outline of what to say.

We are planning the event for March 2023; We plan to use Pleasant Hill Parks and recreation community center.

Ambrose Community Garden



Ambrose community Garden is thrilled to be 1 of the 100 impact projects that are the cornerstone of the 100 Hometowns! September 28, 2021 the garden welcomed a full house with over 40 Lowe's volunteers & Scott's MiracloGro! The event was joined by the Regional Manager, the Antioch Store Manager, The Fairfield Store Manager, & many more.

Park District Receives 2021 Global Citizen Award

The East Bay Regional Park District has been awarded the prestigious 2021 Global Citizen Award by the United Nations Association USA. The virtual Award Ceremony was held on Sun, October 24, 2021, as part of the UN Day Celebration. Park District Board President Dee Rosario and General Manager Sabrina B. Landreth accepted the award on behalf of the Park District.

"We are honored to be recognized for our contribution to physical health, stress relief, and mental well-being during the COVID-19 pandemic," said Park District Board President Dee Rosario. "Parks have provided an essential public health service. We are proud that when the public needed us most, we answered the call and kept parks open and safe".

The award recognized the Park District's leadership role in providing essential services during the pandemic. The District has steadfastly enhanced the quality of life for residents in the East Bay as well as for the natural environment and wildlife.



Contra Costa County and East Contra Costa Fire Boards Approvals give greenlight to fire boards annexation plans

In September 2021 the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District (Con Fire) and East Contra Costa Fire Protection District (ECCFPD) today announced their boards of directors have each approved resolutions for the annexation of ECCFPD into the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District. The agencies are now expected to make applications to the Contra Costa Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) for formal approval of the annexation.

When approved, Con Fire will absorb the firefighting staff, support staff, facilities and equipment of ECCFPD and the newly merged organization will provide improved fire and emergency services to the more than 128,000 residents of eastern Contra Costa County. The annexation approval process is expected to take four-to-six months followed by operational and administrative consolidation of the two entities.



In October 2021, LAFCO received applications from Contra Costa County Fire Protection District (CCCFPD) to expand CCCFPD's sphere of influence (SOI) to include East Contra Costa Fire Protection District (ECCFPD) and to annex ECCFPD into CCCFPD and subsequently dissolve ECCFPD.

The Contra Costa County Fire Protection District has also explored a possible merger with Rodeo-Hercules Fire. The Rodeo Hercules District Board of Directors has requested the County Board of Supervisors remove the Rodeo - Hercules Fire Protection District from the annexation process.

The SOI and boundary reorganization/dissolution applications will be presented to the LAFCO Commissioners in early 2022.

News of CoCo San Sustainable Farm

Donated 39,000 lbs. in 2021!



Volunteers harvested cucumbers, zucchini, pumpkins, summer squash, winter squash, eggplant, tomatoes, peppers, kale, Swiss chard, broccoli, cauliflower, potatoes, and more.



The farm was awarded the Leadership in Sustainability Award from Sustainable Contra Costa, and Congressman Mark DeSaulnier gave us a Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition.

The farm also created 500' of Monarch Butterfly habitat!



Western monarchs, which generally breed west of the Rocky Mountains and overwinter along the California coast, have experienced a population decline ever since the 1980s.

The significant problems afflicting western monarchs and other imperiled pollinators include habitat loss, pesticide use, and climate change. In order to help address monarch declines and habitat loss, the Xerces Society partnered with local native plant and seed producers to create kits and make them available to conservation partners. The kit the farm used contained climate-smart native plants, including milkweed, the larval host plant for

monarchs, and a variety of nectar plants documented to be attractive to monarchs. Plant species in the kits also support many other native pollinators.



Byron Sanitary District

The Byron Sanitary District collects, treats and disposes of wastewater. It serves approximately 152 residences, 30 commercial facilities, a 540-student elementary school and a County owned youth rehabilitation facility. It is an independent special district. A five-member board of directors, elected at-large, governs the District.

Byron-Bethany Irrigation District

Byron-Bethany Irrigation District (BBID) is a multi-county special district serving parts of Alameda, Contra Costa, and San Joaquin Counties across 55 square miles and 36,000 acres. The district serves more than 215 agricultural customers and more than 20,000 residents of the Mountain House community.

Both districts have the same District Manager Jerry Gimore. Byron Sanitary District is in the process of creating its own webpage.

Local Agencies Join to Expand Los Vaqueros Reservoir, Strengthen Regional Water Reliability

The Los Vaqueros Reservoir Expansion Project (Project) passed a significant milestone in officially filing agreements needed to form a Joint Powers Authority. This important milestone puts a group of Local Agency Partners one step closer to Project implementation.

Expanding Los Vaqueros to a new capacity of 275,000 acre-feet and adding new conveyance facilities will provide environmental, water supply reliability, operational flexibility, water quality and recreational benefits.

Partnering agencies include Zone 7 Water Agency, East Bay Municipal Utility District and the Santa Clara Valley Water District they will manage the project using an organizational framework for design, construction, operation, maintenance and funding, by the JPA.

The expansion project is scheduled to begin in winter 2023. A combination of funds including \$470 million from Proposition 1 as well as federal and local partners will cover the project costs.

2021 Ella Hill Hutch Award



West County Wastewater (WCW) is proud to announce that Board of Director's President and honoree, Cheryl Sudduth, has been recognized for her extraordinary contributions as a civic leader and received the Ella Hill Hutch Award at a virtual award ceremony presented by Black Women Organized for Political Action (BWOPA) on November 4th, 2021.

The prestigious award is named after American politician, Ella Hill Hutch, who was elected to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors in 1977 and reelected in 1980. Ms. Hill Hutch was the second African American elected to that position and the first African American woman Supervisor.

The President of the West County Wastewater Board of Directors, Cheryl Sudduth, has served on the board since 2018 and is only the second female Board President elected to WCW's Board of Directors.

Also, an Honoree of the Ella Hill Hutch Award as a chapter Honoree, is West County Wastewater's own, Angela Andrews. Ms. Andrews holds the roll of Capital Portfolio Manager and has been with the organization since 2019. Ms. Andrews was honored for her work as a City Council member for the City of Hayward and is recognized as the first African American woman on Hayward's City Council. Ms. Andrews was elected in November 2020, and before that served on the Hayward Planning Commission, the Keep Hayward Clean & Green Task Force, and a Hayward Advisory Committee Member of Hayward's Downtown Streets Team.

West County Wastewater is proud of both women and their achievements, both within WCW and beyond.



Ladybugs in East Bay Regional Parks!

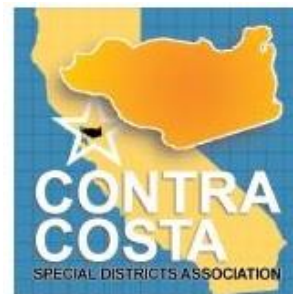


In Reinhardt Redwood Regional Park near the junction of the Stream and Prince Trails, thousands of convergent ladybugs can often be found huddling together from about late-October to mid-February. They are on objects like bushes, logs, fence posts, and underneath leaves. It is an amazing sight to behold that brings joy to both kids and adults.

Thank you, Ironhouse Sanitary District,

The Contra Costa Special Districts Association (CCSDA) appreciates the administrative service and support provided to CCSDA by Ironhouse Sanitary District. We greatly appreciate them for providing the Zoom links for our chapter meetings. They supply all of the chapter's administrative support, including keeping our website up to date.

Thank You Ironhouse!



Be sure to vote!

The Contra Costa Special Districts Association executive team election will be at our January 24, 2022 meeting! We hold the Executive Officers election every two years your vote is important to determine our leadership.





BI-MONTHLY MEETINGS OF THE CONTRA COSTA SPECIAL DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

Our next meeting will be January 24, 20

Join us at 9:30 AM for a meet and greet opportunity. The regular meeting begins at 10:00 AM



We will meet using Zoom. Please be sure to login by 9:55, we will start the meeting promptly at 10:00. We have the important election of our Executive Officers.

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Our chapter has its own dedicated web site
<https://contracostasda.specialdistrict.org/>
Our website was designed by Streamline. We thank them for the services they provide to Special Districts and chapters.

Contra Costa Red Cross Blood, Platelet and Plasma Donation Center



All blood types are urgently needed to support patients in our community.

The American Red Cross typically has a tough time keeping the blood supply strong during the winter months when inclement weather and seasonal illnesses can impact donors. This past year the pandemic added another challenge in keeping the blood supply strong. The Red Cross is urging healthy individuals to make an appointment to give blood or platelets.

A year ago, many things in the world paused due to the COVID-19 pandemic. But the need for blood never stopped. Today blood donations are just as essential, and the American Red Cross urges individuals who are healthy to make an appointment to donate blood

Address: 140 Gregory Ln, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523
For Hours Phone: (800) 733-2767

Walk-ins are welcome, and you can also schedule an appointment online or call / text at 800-366-2834. Red Cross is performing COVID-19 antibody testing on all successful donations.

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