



# February 2023 Newsletter

**Phone**  
760-951-0006

**Address**  
26540 Vista Rd. Helendale

**Our Lobby is Open**  
Monday – Friday 8 am – 5:30 pm

## Daily Lunch at the Community Center

Monday through Friday from 11:30 – 12:30. **ALL ARE WELCOME**

A voluntary \$3 donation is suggested for anyone over 60, for people under 60 lunch is \$7.50.

Menus available at [www.helendalecsd.org](http://www.helendalecsd.org)



## Concerts in the Park

Join us for our 2023 Concerts in the Park series! We will kick off our concert series on May 13<sup>th</sup> with City Beat and the Main Street Horns! City Beat plays a mix of music from the 1960's through today with a mix of Rock, Funk and Motown. Their 10-piece band will keep everyone dancing!

All concerts are held at the Helendale Community Park – 15425 Wild Rd. from 6- 9 pm and admission is FREE! We also have a variety of food trucks to choose from as well as a beer garden!

Bring your friends and family and be ready for a great night of music!

We are looking for concert sponsors! If you would like to sponsor the 2023 Concerts in the Park, please call the office at 760-951-0006 ext. 230.

### 2023 Concert Series Dates:

May 13	August 12
June 10	September 9
July 8	

## Spring Clean up Day

**Date:** April 8, 2023 **Time:** 8:00 am-11:30 am

**Location:** 26540 Vista Rd. (Vehicles enter on Jordan Rd.)

### Residents may bring:

- General Trash
- Green waste, Landscape Debris
- Large Items (furniture & mattresses)
- Metal Items (appliances)
- Tires without rims
- (No commercial tires will be accepted)
- E-waste including TV's, microwaves, DVD players, computers, phones, small appliances, etc.

### Not Accepted:

- **NO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS** - This includes paints, oil, batteries and household or industrial chemicals, etc.
- **NO CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS** – This includes concrete, brick, drywall and roofing material.



### Onsite Document Shredding

Bring confidential files, papers, and receipts for shredding. Limit two bankers' boxes per person.

## Changes to Your Bill

Your February bill reflects a \$5 rate increase to the sewer charges. This rate increase was approved by the Board in 2021 to keep up with escalating costs to run the treatment plant. To minimize the impact to customer's bills, the Board implemented a phased in increase from January 2022 through July 2025. The new monthly sewer rate is \$51.64 per month.

The next increase of 3.5% will be in July 2024 and the final increase of 3.5% will be in July 2025.



## Winter Watering

**Watering Schedule:** Between 9:00 am and 6:00 pm. Consider setting irrigation timers to "off", and manually water when your plants and lawns need it. Using the manual mode on your controller in winter can save water.

## Upcoming Office Closure

Our office will be closed on February 20th in observance of Presidents Day . Trash service will not be affected.



## Adult Co-Ed Softball

We are now taking sign ups for Adult Softball! The league will be co-ed and open to players 16 and older. Minors must have a parent or guardian on their team. The season will begin the week of April 3rd. Teams will play one game per week. The season is 8 weeks and games will be played weekday evenings with occasional weekend morning games as needed.



**Fee:** \$35 per player (umpire fees included). You may join as an individual or a team. Individual players will be added to a team.

**Equipment:** Bats, personal protective equipment and uniforms to be provided by players.

**Umpires:** If you would like to be an umpire call 760-951-0006 ext. 230.

**Registration:** Go to [www.helendalecsd.org](http://www.helendalecsd.org) and click on the Parks and Recreation button.

# FARMERS MARKET

The market is open every Wednesday from 3 pm to 6 pm rain or shine. We have a great variety of vendors with everything from fresh fruits and vegetables to bread, honey, seafood, salsa, baked goods, and so much more. Every week we have artisan crafts, delicious homemade food and several food trucks to choose from! We accept EBT and P-EBT.



Double your food dollars  
**GET MORE  
FRUITS & VEGETABLES**

The District received a grant and is able to offer customers using EBT up to \$10 in FREE Fruits and Vegetables. Please see the Market Match booth inside Suite D. for more information.

## Helendale CSD Board & Committee Meetings

Regular Board Meetings are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month at 6:30 pm. Park and Recreation Committee meets on the third Tuesday of every month at 3:00 pm.

The public may attend in person or virtually. Virtual meetings are held via Zoom. For all meetings, the access code is 463 173 8547 and the passcode is HCSD. Full agenda packets and links to our meetings can be found under the agenda tab at [www.helendalecsd.org](http://www.helendalecsd.org).

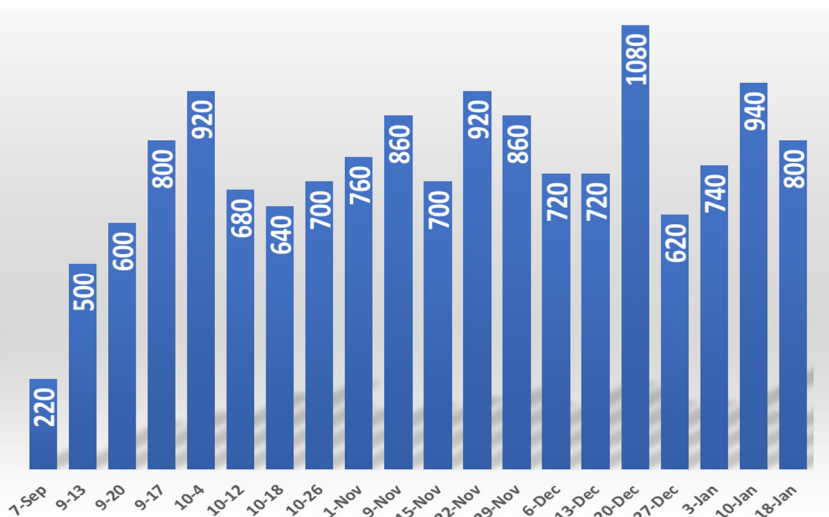
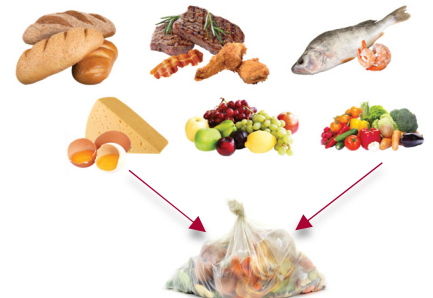
## COMMUNITY FOOD WASTE DROP-OFF

We are now all required to handle food waste differently. California Senate Bill 1383 mandates that we decrease the amount of food waste that goes to the landfill.

**Do I need a bag?** Yes, you will need to put the food in a bag before you drop it in the bin. Please do not throw unbagged food in the bin.

**What are the hours?** For the convenience of our residents the food waste drop off will be available 7 days a week, 24 hours a day.

**Where do I bring my food waste?** A food waste bin will be located at the north end of the parking lot at the Community Center - 26540 Vista Rd.



The Community Food Waste Drop off program is off to a great start! Your voluntary participation helps the District meet State-mandated diversion requirements without adding a costly third barrel to your service.

Since the program began the community has recycled over 14,000 pounds of food waste! Keep up the great work. **Thank you** for helping with this program. Please call 760-951-0006 x224 if you have any questions about the program. [www.helendalecsd.org](http://www.helendalecsd.org) for more info.