



February 2021 Newsletter

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Address
26540 Vista Rd. Helendale

Hours
Monday – Friday 8 am – 5:30 pm

Monthly Blood Drives

The blood supply in the U.S. is critically low. That's why it is more important than ever to consider donating blood.

Helendale CSD has teamed up with LifeStream Blood Bank to hold monthly blood drives at the CSD Community Center. The blood drives will be held from 10 am to 4:00 pm on the last Tuesday of every month.



COVID-19 Vaccines

Helendale CSD is working to schedule a vaccine clinic at the Community Center. However, at this time we do not have an event arranged. If residents are interested in getting more information on vaccines, they can go to www.sbcovid19.com. You can find information on locations, registration and who is currently eligible to be vaccinated in our county.

How to Set up Auto Pay Using a Credit Card

Visit www.helendalecsd.org and click on the **Pay Your Bill** icon to set up auto payments directly from your credit card. If you don't have an account, click on **Sign Up** and follow the steps to register; if have an account, click on **My Account** and login. Click on the **Utility Billing** link then click on the blue **Pay Account** button for a drop down to appear and select **Enroll in Autopay** to fill out the form. With this option you can choose the date you want your bill paid each month. Remember to pay your bill by the last business day of the month to avoid a late fee.

Helendale Thrift Store

If you have donations for the store, you can call for a pickup or you can drop your items off Monday through Saturday 11 am to 4 pm. Customers can drop off unwanted mattresses and electronics at the Helendale Thrift Store Monday through Saturday from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. Mattresses must be in a bag (available for purchase at the CSD office for \$2.50 if you don't already have one). Mattresses and electronics will be recycled.

Dropping off your donations during business hours helps prevent theft and keep the donation area clean. Your donations are also tax deductible, when you drop off your donations during normal business hours you can get a donation receipt.

Farmers Market

The market is open every Wednesday from 2 pm to 6 pm (winter hours). There are a variety of vendors with everything from fresh fruits and vegetables to bread, honey, seafood, salsa 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. The Helendale Farmers Market was awarded a Market Match grant and are able to offer up to a \$10 match on all EBT and P-EBT purchases in free fruits and vegetables.

Office Closure
February 15, 2021

Board Meetings
February 4 & 18 at 6:30 pm

Park & Rec Meeting
February 9 at 3:00 pm

Water Conservation

Most people think of water conservation as something to do in the summer, but it's really a year-round job. It is very important to change your watering schedule at least seasonally. Your plants, trees and lawn don't need as much water in the cool winter months as they will in spring and summer, as they experience a slower growth rate, and some are dormant in winter. Grass, for example, needs 1 to 2 inches of water a week to thrive in the summer, but during the winter most grasses will only need ½ an inch of water. If it's too cold (below freezing) be sure to turn the water off. When the ground is frozen, they won't be able to uptake the water.

It is important to know where your shut off valve is located so that when there is an emergency you can quickly turn it off and potentially save hundreds of gallons of water. Your courtesy valve is located in the meter box on the back side of the meter facing your home. Some properties may have an additional shutoff valve, typically found in the garage, this is usually to turn off water inside the home. Sometimes irrigation systems will also have a separate shutoff, commonly found near the irrigation valves or outside hose bib. If you would like an operator to come out and help you locate your courtesy valve and show you how to operate it, you can schedule an appointment at no charge during normal business hours.

Be sure to check for leaks after any thaws. A change in temperature can cause pipes to expand and contract, which may lead to leaks. If a pipe bursts, turn off the water as soon as possible.

February
Watering Times
After 9:00 am &
Before 6 pm

Plants need only 1/3 the amount of water in winter compared to summer

Check your water meter if you think you have a leak.

Recycling Contest Win \$100 if you recycle the right stuff!

Residents who recycle correctly help keep rates lower for everyone and lower the amount of trash going to the landfill. You can help by taking the Recycling Challenge! Burrtec Waste will award \$100 to two participating residents if they are selected, and they are recycling the right stuff.

How to Participate

- Fill out the entry form and send it to Burrtec Waste. The entry form is also available at www.helendalecsd.org
- **Mail to:** 17080 Stoddard Wells Rd. Victorville, CA 92394 or
- **email:** vvcs@burrtec.com
- Keep trash out of your recycling barrel

On collection day, place your containers on the street, at the curb, or near the corner of your driveway by 6 am. Barrels should have the handles facing towards your home and be placed 1 foot apart from each other. The barrels need to be placed at least 3 feet away from any obstruction such as a fence, mailbox, or vehicle.

Entry Form
(Please Print)

Print Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Entries will be selected at random

