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RAIN ON, SPRINKLERS OFF

Get a Free Rain Shut-Off Sensor for Your Sprinkler Timer



Rain shut-off sensors automatically turn off your irrigation system during rain. City water customers can receive a free rain sensor with an Irrigation Evaluation appointment.

properties with water meters dedicated to irrigation can save even more—36 percent on average. Since the free rain shut-off sensor program started in 2007, 780 rain sensors have been distributed and over 2 million gallons of water have been saved.

City of Santa Barbara water customers can call the Water Conservation Hotline at (805) 564-5460 to schedule a free Irrigation Evaluation and receive a free rain shut-off sensor. To learn more about rain sensors, visit SantaBarbaraCA.gov/RainSensor.

Prepare your landscape for rain with a free rain shut-off sensor. Statewide regulations prohibit irrigation during and 48 hours after rainfall. A rain shut-off sensor automatically stops your sprinkler timer from watering during and immediately after a rain event. When the collected rainwater has evaporated from the device, scheduled irrigation resumes. Rain shut-off sensors work best for short periods; for extended rain periods, it's best to turn sprinkler timers to the "off" position.

Santa Barbara water customers can reduce their winter water consumption by an average of 16 percent with a free rain shut-off sensor; larger

THE CITY IS WORKING TO FIX WATER MAINS



Expect temporary traffic measures as the City works to fix water mains.

Throughout the year 2018, the City will be replacing old water piping, valves, and hydrants, in order to reduce water main breaks and conserve water. In the first phase, work will be performed on Brenner Drive from Anza Drive to Willow Glen Road, Anza Drive, and Fawn Place. Temporary traffic measures will be in place. For more information and a detailed map visit SantaBarbaraCA.gov/PublicWorks.

SNAP PROGRAM WORKS TO ADDRESS NOISE ISSUES IN THE MESA NEIGHBORHOOD



SNAP officers work with neighbors to address noise and nuisance issues.

Student Neighborhood Assistance Program officers are working to address noise, overcrowding, and parking issues in the Mesa neighborhood near Santa Barbara City College. The peer-to-peer program focuses on educating offenders before a citation is warranted. You can learn more about how the SNAP program is addressing neighborhood issues by watching the video at SantaBarbaraCA.gov.



Enroll Today for TSA Pre-Check

Mobile Van Coming to Santa Barbara Airport
January 31-February 2 and February 5-9

Sign Up @ <https://universalenroll.dhs.gov/>

THE CENTRAL LIBRARY GETS GRANT FOR CODING PROGRAMS



The library was one of 28 libraries in the country to receive a grant to start coding programs.

The Central Library offers Coding Club Wednesdays from 4 to 5 p.m. in the library's Tech Lab. Participants between the ages of 10 and 17 will work through different coding, computational logic, and computer science activities and lessons. Scratch, Hour of Code, Code Combat, RoboCode and an assortment of programmable robots will be used in the curriculum. No previous coding experience is necessary.

Santa Barbara Public Library also received a \$12,000 grant from the American Library Association to design and implement coding programs for young people. Santa Barbara Public Library is one of 28 libraries around the country to receive a grant from Libraries Ready to Code, an initiative of the American Library Association sponsored by Google, which promotes computer science (CS) and computational thinking among youth.

Throughout 2018 and beyond, the Santa Barbara Public Library will infuse more coding and computation thinking into ongoing community education classes and events and there will be a special, summer design-thinking program, CodeSB directly supported by the Ready to Code

grant. From the Ready to Code grant, more robotics and coding activity kits will be available throughout the Santa Barbara Public Library System for children.

Library Director Jessica Cadiante said, "One of the fundamental goals of libraries is to promote literacy in all its forms. At Santa Barbara Public Library, we're excited to expand our existing technology-related programming through additional hands-on learning opportunities like our Coding Club." A basic understanding of computational science is important in our modern society and has the power to transform individuals from passive consumers of technology to active creators and producers. Everyone can benefit from the logic, creative thinking, and problem solving skills a background in coding can provide.

Ready to Code will provide libraries with the resources, capacity, and inspiration to offer activities that promote computation thinking and computer science to children. The grant will also support staff development in the areas of computer science and computation thinking to better facilitate that programming.

The Santa Barbara Public Library System's mission is to provide information services, reading materials and educational resources to residents of all ages from the Santa Ynez Valley to Carpinteria.

Upcoming Water Wise Classes!



Landscape Site Assessment 101

Thursday, February 15th



Water Wise Maintenance 101

Monday, February 26th

All classes are scheduled from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Louise Lowry Davis Center located at 1232 De La Vina, Santa Barbara, CA 93105.

Parking available behind the building

\$10 suggested donation to Sweetwater Collaborative. Classes are provided by Sweetwater Collaborative and sponsored in part by the City of Santa Barbara.

For more information visit SantaBarbaraCA.gov/GardenClasses



MONTECITO LIBRARY CLOSED INDEFINITELY, OTHERS REMAIN OPEN

The Santa Barbara Public Library System is open for regular business hours at Central Library, and the Eastside, Goleta, Buellton, and Solvang libraries.

The Carpinteria Library reopened Saturday, January 13. The Montecito Library will remain closed until further notice. If you have requested library materials from another location to be picked up at the Montecito Library, please call the Central Library to check on the status of your materials and potentially reroute them to a different library location: (805) 962-7653.