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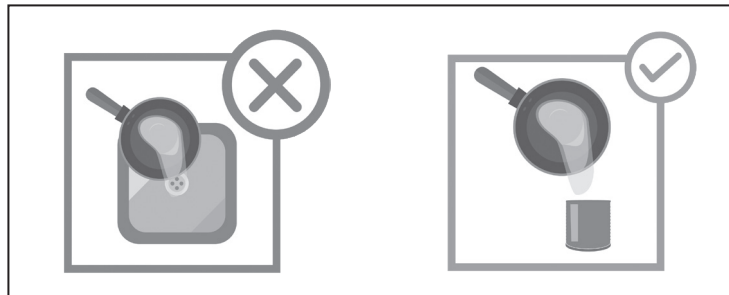


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THIS HOLIDAY SEASON, DON'T CLOG WITH FOG



For more information visit SantaBarbaraCA.gov/FOG

Pouring fats, oils, and grease (FOG) down the drain or garbage disposal creates obstructions in underground pipes and creates serious problems like blockage and sewer overflows. When washed down the sink, FOG can stick to the inside of sewer pipes (both on your property and under the streets). Over time, grease buildup can clog an entire pipeline, causing sewer overflows in our community. The damage from overflows could result in costly repairs for you and the City of Santa Barbara.

This holiday season, dispose of fats, oils, and grease properly using these tips:

- Do not pour cooking oil, greasy food, dairy products, or salad dressing down the drain.
- Use strainers in the sink drains to catch food scraps and other solids.
- Do not use hot water and soap to try to wash grease down the drain. It will eventually cool and harden in the sewer lines.
- Pour cooled grease into a disposable container, cover with a tight-fitting lid and place in your freezer. Once contents are frozen, toss in the garbage.
- Mix cooking oils with absorbent material such as coffee grounds or cat litter. Place in tight lidded container and dispose of it in garbage.
- Wipe or scrape food particles from pots, pans, and dishes into the trash can prior to placing them in the sink for washing.
- Wipe excess fats and grease from pans with a dry paper towel and toss it in the garbage.

WEEKLY FOOD DISTRIBUTION FOR THOSE IN NEED

Every week, the City of Santa Barbara Parks and Recreation Department and the Foodbank of Santa Barbara County partner to provide free fresh produce and healthy groceries to the community through mobile pantries and mobile farmers markets. All in need are invited to attend to nourish themselves and their families. Regular distributions occur at the Franklin Neighborhood Center, Westside Neighborhood Center, and Parque de los Niños.



Through a collaborative effort between the City and the Foodbank, those in need receive free, fresh groceries

SEWER LATERAL INSPECTION PROGRAM WEBINARS

Lateral Maintenance to
Extend Your Lateral's Lifespan



Tuesday,
November 1, 2022
12:00-12:30 pm

Prevent Sewer Backups this
Holiday Season



Tuesday,
November 15, 2022
12:00-12:30 pm

TO ENROLL VISIT

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APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN FOR FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSION



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The Commission is tasked with providing transparent oversight and increased civilian input regarding departmental policies, practices and procedures, while strengthening the relationship between the Fire Department, Police Department and the community. These added responsibilities are expected to enhance the health, safety, and general welfare of the community and City officers.

To encourage an inclusive and diverse application experience, the City Council will prioritize the appointments of Commissioners who promote diversity, fairness, and equity among the Commission's members and will also take into consideration a member's personal or professional experience, including relevant lived experience, among other considerations.

The application can be accessed by clicking the Boards and Commissions link on the Volunteers page at [SantaBarbaraCA.gov/Jobs](https://www.santabarbaraca.gov/jobs). Deadline to apply is 5 p.m., on November 10, 2022.

PLAZA DEL MAR BAND SHELL PROJECT SECURES GRANT FUNDING TO MOVE FORWARD WITH RESTORATION

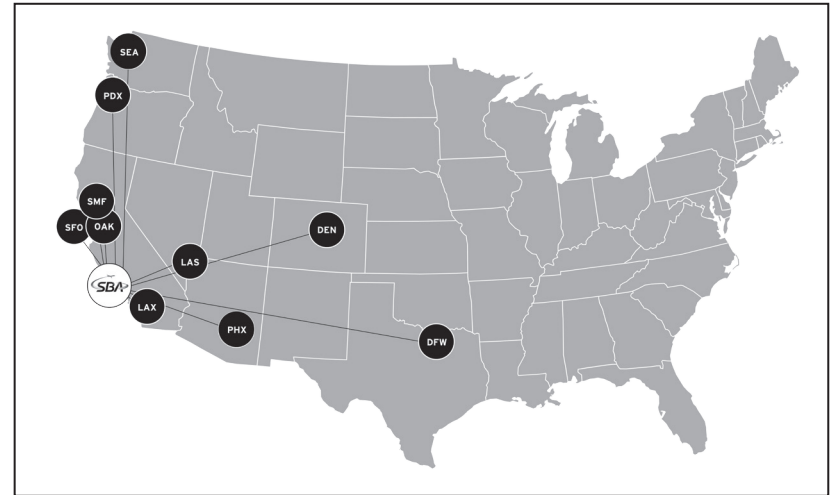
The project to restore the Band Shell at Plaza del Mar, one of Santa Barbara's oldest parks, has secured critical grant funding to continue the planned restoration. The structure, originally constructed in 1919, long served as a cultural hub of the City, providing a space for concerts, theater performances, recitals, and community celebrations, but has since fallen into disrepair. In October 2020, an evaluation of the condition of the Band Shell identified the stage flooring, building frame, and roof as major structural issues. A fence was placed around the facility as a public safety precaution.

The restoration of the historic Band Shell aims to provide a fully functional performance space and revitalize Plaza del Mar as a destination for music, theater, dance, and celebrations.



Plaza del Mar Band Shell will soon undergo restoration.

BOOK YOUR HOLIDAY TRAVEL NOW!



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THOUSAND STEPS REOPENED AFTER SAFETY REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS

Thousand Steps, a historic beach access stairway in the Mesa neighborhood, has reopened after a six-month closure. During that time, the City of Santa Barbara Parks and Recreation Department made significant safety repairs and improvements to the popular landmark, which serves as one of three public beach access stairways in the City.



Thousand Steps, historic beach access stairway is open once again after significant safety repairs.

Thousand Steps, originally called Camino a Mar, was built by the City almost 100 years ago in 1925. Over time, harsh coastal conditions and regular use eroded the lowest stairs, making them difficult and dangerous to use.