



RESORT IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT No. 1 SHELTER COVE, HUMBOLDT COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

*Electric, Water, Sewer, Fire Protection, Search & Rescue,
Airport, Golf Links, Recreation*

APRIL 2021 NEWSLETTER

ONLINE BILL PAYMENT NOW AVAILABLE

The District is partnering with Allpaid to enable customer online utility payments through: <https://allpaid.com/>

Everyone can use this online method to pay your District utility bill. The cost (fee) of using this service is 2.25% per (self-pay) transaction. Visa, Mastercard, American Express and Discover Card credit and debit cards are accepted.

To make an online utility payment, go to the District's website and click on the payment link or go to <https://allpaid.com/> and enter *a004k1* or *Resort Improvement District* in the search box below 'Make a Payment' and click 'Get Started.' You will confirm the payment selection (for Resort Improvement District) by clicking on 'Pay This Destination.' You will need your utility account number (located on the top left, second line of your utility bill) and the service street address.

You can still make a utility payment in all the classic ways... via USPS, at the District Office in person, through the slot in the front door or over the phone by calling the District office (phone payments will incur a 3% service charge).

Utility Capacity Charge Payment Assistance Program

The District is excited to announce this new program allowing individuals & businesses to pay utility capacity charges for new electric, water, and sewer connections interest free for up to three years (36 installments). Individuals & businesses are required to apply (and pay a \$100 admin fee, a credit check fee, and all applicable utility connection fees) to participate in the program. Please contact the District office to get an application.

District Receives \$295,490 Cal OES Grant

Last month the District received a grant award notice for \$295,490 from the California Office of Emergency Services to upgrade the District's radio network and help us prepare for electrical disruptions caused by Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) events. This funding will upgrade radios/antennas at our water tanks, well sites, lift stations, and District & Fire Dept. vehicle & handheld radios and in general improve radio communication and emergency response times throughout the District. Radio upgrade work will begin this summer.

Shelter Cove is a Firewise Community

For everything there is season and now is the time to reduce fire hazards and build fire resiliency at your property by clearing brush, keeping grass trimmed, limbing trees and hardening your home. It is also the time to prepare for fire season and clear our roads (evacuation routes) from obstructions. Please relocate all vehicles, boats, and construction materials from Shelter Cove roadways and cul-de-sacs by May 15th.

Chipper Days will be returning in late April!

The District and Shelter Cove Fire is pleased to announce that we received almost \$20,000 in grant funding to support community chipping. The first Chipper Day of the season will be on Thursday April 29th with seven more chipper days planned in May, June and early July. Please take advantage of this incredible opportunity by moving your woody material (to be chipped) to the roadside's edge with cut butts facing out. Please do not stack limbs over 5 feet high – just start a new pile. Tree trunks (over 6" in diameter), stumps, rotten wood, rocks, and garbage cannot be chipped. Contact Shelter Cove Fire at 986-7507 or scfd@sheltercove-ca.gov and let us know when your pile(s) is ready to be chipped (see enclosed request form).

Being recognized as a Firewise Community helps reduce fire insurance costs for Shelter Cove homeowners. You can download a Shelter Cove Firewise certificate from the District's website to provide to your home insurer.

Food Pantry Hours: All are welcome!

Located on the upper level of the Clubhouse at 1555 Upper Pacific Drive. Tues 11AM – 3PM, Fri 11AM - 3PM,
Sat 10AM – 12Noon

Library Hours:

Located on the lower level of the Clubhouse at 1555 Upper Pacific Dr. Mon & Wed 10AM – 12 Noon.
Tues, Thurs, Fri 2PM – 4PM

COMMENTS: We encourage your comments, so please use your bill stub or write to gm@sheltercove-ca.gov

Dear Residents and Property Owners –

On March 25th there was a test of Shelter Cove's Emergency Notification System including activation of our six tsunami/wildfire sirens and a test of the public address system. The test was a success and staff received lots of positive feedback from residents. Thank you for your cooperation with this year's emergency siren (Tsunami Day) test and special thanks to Shelter Cove CERT!

For our customers who have been asking for an online payment method to make utility payments, I hope you are satisfied with your experience using Allpaid. Our agreement with Allpaid decreases service fees by 3/4 % per transaction and is secure. Please give the office a call if you have any questions or would like help making your payment online.

Later this month (5PM on Wed, 04/21 – link to join is below) the District will hold another Shelter Cove Parks and Recreation Plan scoping meeting. The purpose of the scoping meeting is for District staff to continue to receive public input on future park and recreation development in Shelter Cove. Twelve scoping meetings have been held during the last six months. At these scoping meetings, residents have shared general ideas and specific plans requirements/desires for Parks and Recreation features to be considered and possibly constructed in the community. And District staff has presented concept sport courts & children's playground drawings. Naturally, the conversations during scoping meetings will get in the "weeds" and can be very focused on a particular potential future recreation feature and cost estimates.

That said, no decisions on expending district funds or grant funds is being made at these meetings. Any decision to expend district and/or grant funds (and determine new or modify land uses of District property) must be made by the Board of Directors in open session. The District has been awarded approx. \$177,000 in state grant funds and the expenditure of the grant award has yet to be determined by the Board. These scoping meeting are helping to develop District staff's initial draft park and recreation plan (and recommendations to the Board for grant/district funds park expenditures).

At past scoping meetings residents have talked a lot about sports courts (basketball, pickleball & tennis), walking trails around the airport, upgrades to the airport (including a new hanger), children's garden, mountain bike trails & skills park, skatepark and constructing a new community center. Please join the conversation and share your thoughts and ideas about these projects or any other parks/recreation/golf links project on Wednesday, April 21st 5 - 6:30PM. You can also send me a note at: gm@sheltercove-ca.gov

Shelter Cove Park and Recreation Scoping/Planning Meeting

Wednesday, Apr 21, 2021 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (PDT) <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/846381789>

And please join this month's District Board meeting on April 15th,

April RID Board Meeting:

Thursday, Apr 15, 2021 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM (PDT) <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/361241925>

Thank you for support. Please take care and stay safe,

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