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### Villa Del Mar Homeowners Association

# **The Script**

## Help Conserve Water Severe Drought Restrictions

We have been experiencing severe drought conditions for some time now and it doesn't seem to be getting better. We are taking all the steps we can to reduce water use and ask that residents do their part.

Carpinteria Valley Water district installed smart meters on all our buildings two years ago and they contact the association immediately if there is a 24-hour period of continuous flow. We must find and take care of those alerts within 72 hours to avoid fines. Some of the alerts are found inside units with simple items like leaking toilets. If

you hear a hissing sound, you probably have a leaking toilet. It can waste up to 86,000 gallons of water a month.

As a reminder, there is no washing of patios, carports or cars on VDM property. Patio drains, run the length of the building and drain out the end. If the water comes out of the main patio drain and runs down the street, the association may be fined by the water district. Also, the patio drain runoff goes into the ocean and it is very important not to wash or rinse items such as paint and chemicals down the patio drain. This also goes for pet waste and food. Those items can get stuck in the drain and cause an odor from bacteria. If this is the case your unit may be fined for misuse.

Here are some water-saving suggestions:



 Only use a washer with full loads. Save 15-45gl a load.
Fix leaking toilets. This can save 86,000 gallons a month.
Put a bucket in the sink or shower while water is coming to temp. Water patio plants with it.

4. Take 5 min. showers

instead of 10 min. Save 13gl5. Install WaterSense shower heads, faucets and toilets.

6. Sweep or mop patios instead of hosing them down.

7. Replace appliances with water saving models.

Other tips and rebates are also available by visiting the Carpinteria Valley Water Districts website: <u>http://www.cvwd.net</u>

## Political Signage Common Areas Off Limits

With the upcoming General Election on Nov 8, 2022, we would like to

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remind residents that campaign signs and other political items are permitted only in unit windows. Please do not place signs in planters, outside by your front door

or in other common areas. All campaign items that are in these areas will be removed.

If you need more information about voting in the

upcoming election and how to register to vote, ballot tracking, the location of polling places, ballot drop boxes, go to:

#### https://countyofsb.org/care/electio ns/home.sbc

Thank you for your cooperation.

## Front Porch Lights Call Office if Light is Out

If your front porch light bulb burns

out, please call the office to have a staff member change your bulb. Tell us where the fixture is located and leave a 60watt equivalent bulb near the fixture. It is recommended

that you use a warm or soft white LED bulb if you have one, that way they won't have to be changed for many years and will save you electricity. The porch lights have small pieces and parts that can get lost, or you may break the glass

Monthly Reminde

Street Sweeping Day: REMINDER: NO PARKING in the alleys and Driveways at VDM during this time. Street sweeping day is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month. This month it is <u>Wednesday</u>, October 19, 2022. Please do not park on the city streets between 8:00am - 10:00am. The City will issue parking tickets which are about \$45.

<u>General Board Meeting</u>: We will not have a General Board Meeting in October.

Important Days in October: Indigenous Peoples Day - October 10<sup>th</sup>. Make a Difference Day - October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Halloween - October 31<sup>st</sup>.







attempting to change the bulb yourself so we would appreciate it if you would contact the office. You may put in a Work Order by going to the website:

#### www.villadelmarhoa.com and under Contact Us you will see Work Order Request Form.

## Resident Info Form Update Contact Information

Please help VDM have current records on your unit by going to the VDM website:

#### www.villadelmarhoa.com.

Click on Resident Resources and under Homeowner Forms select Resident Contact form. Every homeowner should fill out a new Resident Contact Form from timeto-time to make sure we have your current information.

All Landlords/Property Managers **MUST** complete and return a Resident Contact Form within 10 days of any change in tenancy and they need to provide tenants with Rules & Regulations info found on the wesite under Governing Documents.

It is extremely important that the VDM office is able to contact a unit owner or tenants in the event of an emergency such as a plumbing issue or other situations. Please remember to update information such as vehicle info, who's living in the unit, pets, emails and home, work and/or cell numbers as well. Call the office (805) 684-7430 or email <u>villadelmar@verizon.net</u> for further help.

