

Electric Bicycle Training & Safety

Electric Bicycles (E-Bikes) are becoming increasingly popular, offering riders the ability to travel faster and cover longer distances. As their use continues to grow, it's more important than ever to promote safety through proper education and training.

Visit www.chp.ca.gov/programs-services/services-information/bike-and-ped-safety for a free online "Electric Bicycle Safety and Training" course provided by the California Highway Patrol.



Get Help with Health & Social Services

The Santa Cruz Community Health Outreach and Enrollment Specialists assist with enrolling patients in Medi-Cal, Covered California, and CalFresh. They offer guidance on insurance applications, answer related questions, and provide support for community concerns, legal referrals, immigration aid, housing resources, and other social services.

Call 831-427-3500 today to schedule an appointment with an Enrollment Specialist.

Watsonville Farmers Market

Come visit the Watsonville Farmers Market every **Friday afternoon from 2 PM to 7 PM** at the City Plaza in Downtown Watsonville! Enjoy fresh, locally grown fruits, vegetables, and beautiful flowers. Plus, there's a great selection of tasty, prepared foods to satisfy your hunger. Don't miss out on this weekly community event!

Downtown Santa Cruz Market

The Downtown Santa Cruz Market is open year-round on **Wednesdays from 1-5 PM**. It's the oldest and largest market, just one block off Pacific Avenue. Enjoy fresh, seasonal fruits, vegetables, flowers, meats, and more!

All Santa Cruz Community Farmers Markets accept SNAP/CalFresh benefits.

For a full list of farmers markets in Santa Cruz County, visit www.santacruz.com/guides/santa-cruz-county-farmers-markets



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Summer 2025

Housing Authority of the County of Santa Cruz

NEWSLETTER

We all Deserve a Nesting Place.

Artwork by Taylor Reinhold



HACOSANTACRUZ.ORG
(831) 454-9455

8:00AM-4:30PM
MONDAY-THURSDAY

HOURS

Housing Authority of the County of Santa Cruz County
2160 41st Avenue, Capitola, CA 95010-2040



Exciting Opportunity for the 2025-26 School Year!

The New Horizons Scholarship is NOW OPEN for applications! Are you ready to take the next step in your educational journey? The New Horizons Scholarship could be your ticket to achieving your dreams! If you're a member of a household receiving rental assistance from HACSC, have been accepted or enrolled in a qualifying institution or program, and are 18 years or older (or a high school senior), you could be eligible! Don't miss your chance to start the 2025-2026 school year on the right foot with the New Horizons Scholarship!

2025 New Horizons Scholarship

Apply Today!

Visit hacosantacruz.org/scholarship for more information

Deadline: May 31, 2025
hacosantacruz.org/scholarship
or scan the QR code:





A Huge Thank You for an Incredible Senior Fair!

We're thrilled to announce the success of our very FIRST Senior Fair! A big thank you to the over 130 seniors and 17 local organizations who came together for an evening filled with community connection, valuable resources, and a shared commitment to making a difference!

We couldn't have asked for a better turnout and are excited to keep the momentum going! Stay tuned for details about our upcoming Senior Fair in South County – we can't wait to bring the same energy and collaboration to even more of our amazing seniors! Thank you again to everyone who made this event unforgettable!

Exciting Partnership to Support Families

We are excited to share our new partnership with County Park Friends on a pilot program aimed at connecting families receiving housing assistance with enriching summer opportunities. Thanks to the generous support of the Housing Authority's nonprofit affiliate, New Horizons, eligible families will be able to send their children to summer camp programs at Santa Cruz County Parks.

This collaboration will provide scholarships to children in our programs, making fun, educational, and inclusive summer experiences more accessible for local families. We're proud to be part of this meaningful effort to uplift and support our community.



FREE Housing Mediation Services

The Housing Authority of the County of Santa Cruz and the Conflict Resolution Center of Santa Cruz County have joined forces to provide Housing Mediation Services. These services are available for free through CRC and are aimed at helping tenants and landlords resolve disputes peacefully. A mediator, who is a neutral third party, facilitates discussions between tenants and landlords during mediation. The goal of the Housing Mediation Program is to improve housing stability, avoid legal actions, and promote better relationships between landlords and tenants.



To access mediation services, you can contact CRC directly at (831) 475-6617 or email daniela@crsantacruz.org

2025 Community Report Beyond Housing: Building Community

Stay in the loop with The Housing Authority of the County of Santa Cruz by checking out our 2025 Community Report! Discover our mission, values, and the ways we're dedicated to helping our community. Visit our website at www.hacosantacruz.org to see what we've been up to!



Providing Essential Care with Diapers

Second Harvest Food Bank Santa Cruz County helps families by providing diapers and wipes along with food. This initiative supports children's health and development while easing financial strain. Families can receive both food and diaper assistance, reducing the tough choice between essential needs. If you need diapers, visit thefoodbank.org/diapers to find an organization near you.



FREE Family Fun Day at Skypark

Scotts Valley Recreation is excited to invite you to the annual Family Fun Day at Skypark! In celebration of July's Parks Month, they've teamed up with park and recreation groups from all over Santa Cruz County to bring you a day of fun for the whole family – and it's FREE! Bring your friends and family for a day full of exciting activities and memories!

Skypark (361 Kings Village Rd. Scotts Valley, CA 95066)
Saturday, July 19
10:00am to 3:00pm
Free! (Some booths may charge for services)