



HOUSING AUTHORITY *of the* CITY *of* SANTA BARBARA
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SPRING NEWSLETTER

A newsletter from the Housing Authority of the City
of Santa Barbara's Resident Services Department.

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DEAR HOUSING AUTHORITY FAMILIES,



With the end of the school year soon approaching, we'd like to provide you and your children with resource information about programs and services from agencies throughout our community. The enclosed newsletter includes important information about many free or low-cost summer programs for children and teens that may be of benefit to your family. Financial assistance and scholarships may be available to help offset certain program costs, so please reach out if you are in need of support.

We also invite you to visit our Family Resource Center at 808 Laguna Street to find out more about the assistance available to you and your family through our Resident Services department. To find out more about these services please contact us at (805) 897-1059.

On behalf of the Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara, we wish you and your family all the best as you finish out the school year and head into the summer months. Stay well, and please reach out if we can be of any assistance.

SINCERELY,

The Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara
Alice Villarreal Redit, Resident Programs Supervisor

HACSB PROGRAMS & RESOURCES



ADVOCATE OF THE DAY

The Housing Authority's **Family Resource Center** Advocate of the Day (AOD) program is available to assist Housing Authority residents and community members with immediate needs, information, and resources. A staff person is available to meet with Housing Authority clients Monday through Thursday during walk-in hours which are 10:00 AM—12:00 PM. Information and questions regarding housing, community programs, utility payment assistance, social services benefit program enrollment, basic needs (such as food clothing and shelter) as well as help connecting to resources from community agencies, are some of the areas in which clients can receive help. *For more information, please call (805) 897-1059.*

HEALTHY FOOD PANTRY

The Housing Authority hosts a **monthly food distribution** open to all community members where a person can receive shelf-stable items as well as a fresh bag of fruits and vegetables. The food distribution takes place the third Wednesday of the month from 2:00 PM—5:00 PM at 702 Laguna Street, Santa Barbara. *For questions or more information, please contact Leticia Zuñiga at (805) 897-1059.*

FINANCIAL LITERACY FOR YOUTH

The Housing Authority will be offering a **Financial Literacy Summer Series** for Housing Authority youth entering junior high and high school. Further details, including sign-up information, will be provided in soon. *For more information, please contact Primitiva Hernandez at (805) 897-1083 or phernandez@hacsb.org.*

FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY PROGRAM

The **Family Self Sufficiency Program** (FSS) is a voluntary five year program open to Housing Authority clients. An Individual Training and Services Plan is developed to design a clear path with specific goals and objectives that will help families achieve living wage employment and gain economic self-sufficiency. Participating families are required to sign a Contract of Participation with HACSB that outlines the services to be provided and the obligations required during participation. Throughout the five-year contract, the FSS case manager provides support by assisting families with referrals and services so they may successfully complete each level on their journey to self-sufficiency. *To enroll in the FSS program or for more information, contact Primitiva Hernandez at (805) 897-1083 or email phernandez@hacsb.org.*

2ND STORY YOUTH OPPORTUNITY FUND

2nd Story Associates, in partnership with HACSB, offers small grants to help students participate in educational, enrichment and extracurricular activities during the school year or during the summer months. The Youth **Opportunity Fund** can provide a one-time financial assistance to offset the cost of enrichment opportunities for youth. Housing Authority families of students in K-12 grade are eligible to complete an application. The maximum grant per household is \$500.00. Appropriate applications that can be funded through this grant include: after-school enrichment program fees, travel costs related to enrichment programs, material costs related to enrichment or educational programs, and/or summer program fees. *For more information, contact Leticia Zuñiga at lzuniga@hacsb.org or (805) 897-1059.*

HOUSING AUTHORITY INTERN-TRAINING PROGRAM

The Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara helps low-income Santa Barbara residents achieve self-sufficiency by providing employment and job opportunities through its **Intern Training Program**. To be considered for an internship, individuals must be low-income residents of Santa Barbara or participants in any HACSB housing program. Interns help to support Housing Authority programs and services, gain valuable work experience and skills, network with collaborative agencies, and receive paid on-the-job training. *For more information about the HACSB Intern Training Program, please contact Alice Villarreal-Redit, Resident Services Supervisor at (805) 897-1036 or apply online at, www.hacsb.org/housing/jobs-internships.*

COMMUNITY RESOURCES FOR YOUTH



GOODWILL INDUSTRIES

Year-round youth workforce program providing career, employment, and training opportunities for young adults (in or out-of-school) 14-24 years of age. Services include paid work experience and supportive services (financial assistance). Program Orientation (Zoom Meeting ID 920 0974 7562) takes place every Tuesday at 4:00 PM. *For more information, contact Osvaldo Sotelo at (805) 928-5282 or osotelo@goodwillvsb.org.*

CALIFORNIA STUDENT OPPORTUNITY AND ACCESS PROGRAM (CAL-SOAP)

Cal-SOAP is dedicated to increasing the accessibility of higher education opportunities for ALL secondary school students. Financial aid, college advisement, and tutoring services are offered, along with summer-tutoring and visits to college campuses. Campus visits are offered to 7-12 grade students and their families. *For more information contact (805) 613-7160 or outreach805@calsoapsb.org.*

SBCC PROMISE

Santa Barbara City College's **Promise Program** offers local high school graduates the opportunity to attend SBCC for free for up to two years. The program covers tuition, books, and supplies for eligible students. Eligible applicants must enroll in SBCC the fall or spring semester following their high school graduation, GED completion or the equivalent. *For more information, or to sign-up, visit www.sbccpromise.org/sign-up.*

PARTNERS IN EDUCATION — FREE COMPUTERS FOR FAMILIES

FREE Computers for Families! Partners in Education **Computers for Families Program** helps Santa Barbara County families access free computers, low-cost internet assistance, and bilingual technology support and training. *Interested families should call the program's main line at (805) 964-4710 ext. 5454 or apply directly online at www.partners.sbceo.org/our-services/request-a-computer-tech-support.*

PARTNERS IN EDUCATION — JOB READINESS TRAINING

The Partners in Education **Job Readiness Training Program** is an 8-week job-readiness training. High school students participate in engaging workshops that prepare them for the job world. Students earn a \$150.00 stipend upon completion. Training covers a variety of topic areas designed to provide students transferable skills. These topics include, but are not limited to: career exploration, interview skills, resumes, and cover letters, financial literacy, professional communication, and more. Applications for a new round of this program will be available July-September 2022. *For more information, visit www.partners.sbceo.org/our-services/job-trainings-internships.*

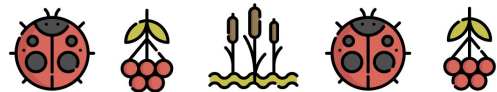
TWELVE35 TEEN CENTER

The Santa Barbara Police Activities League's (SBPAL) **Twelve 35 Teen Center** is free to all registered teens ages 11-18, that are currently enrolled in school. The center offers daily drop-in recreation activities as well as access to tutoring, outdoor classes and clubs, and has a computer lab, arcade room, lounge room, and a multipurpose room. The center operates every day from 3:00 PM—6:00 PM and is now enrolling new students. *For more information or to access the registration form, please call (805) 962-5560 or visit www.sbpal.org/twelve35-teen-venter.html.*

FOODBANK PICNIC IN THE PARK PROGRAM

Foodbank of Santa Barbara County will be hosting their **Picnic in the Park Program** during the summer months for children ages 1-18. Children are welcome to pick up FREE lunch Monday through Friday during the available times at the given locations all throughout the city. *Summer 2022 dates and locations are coming soon and you can stay updated by visiting, www.foodbanksbc.org/programs/lunch.*

SUMMER CAMPS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE



SANTA BARBARA POLICE ACTIVITIES LEAGUE (SBPAL) CAMPSHIP ALLIANCE

The **Campership Alliance** is a community-based collaborative aimed at providing scholarship opportunities for children and young adults from low-income families residing in Goleta, Santa Barbara, and Carpinteria. The campership participants who qualify will have the opportunity to participate in one local summer camp that is sure to be a fun and valuable experience. An online registration request form will be available March 14th at 4:00 PM. Priority Registration will be held Saturday, May 7th from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM. *For more information, please contact Linda Arrellano, Outreach Coordinator for SBPAL at larellano@sbpal.org.*

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SUMMER CAMPS



UNITED WAY—EARLY LEARNING SUCCESS INSTITUTE (ELSI)

FREE for Housing Authority Families! United Way's **Early Learning Success Institute** offers a wonderful learning opportunity for youth ages 4-6. Students will make friends and engage in fun, academic enrichment activities while developing some of their early math and literacy skills. The program will be offered July 5 through July 28, 2022 (Monday through Thursday 8:30 AM—12:00 PM) at the United Learning Center GRAD Academy (526 W. Montecito St., Santa Barbara).

This is not a drop-in program and enrollment is limited so apply early! Enrollment begins on March 14th. Please visit the United Way at www.unitedwaysb.org/ELSI to access the online application. This program is FREE for Housing Authority families!

UNITED WAY—FUN IN THE SUN

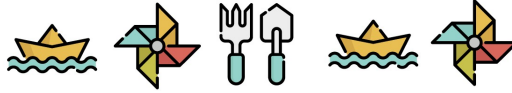
FREE for Housing Authority Families! Originally designed to address summer learning loss, **Fun In the Sun Program** has expanded its academic curriculum and services to position itself as a holistic space to support students and their families throughout the summer. Enriched with STEAM activities, mentorship opportunities, environmental education, and field trips, the program offers hundreds of students and families throughout the community with an enriching summer experience. *For any questions regarding the program, please call Yoseline Gonzalez at (805) 965-8594 or email ygonzalez@unitedwaysb.org. Registration is now open visit www.unitedwaysb.org/FITS-enrollment-2022?page=start. This program is FREE for Housing Authority families.*

CASA CAMP 2022

The Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation in collaboration with the Housing Authority, is back to bring you **CASA Camp** this summer! Children ages 5-12 are invited to participate in this camp which will take place in June. Youth will get to explore and learn historic places in Santa Barbara such as the SB Mission, State Historic Park, Natural History Museum, Casa de La Guerra and more. This camp is FREE to Housing Authority youth and space is limited! *Please contact Leticia Zuniga at (805) 897-1059 or email lzuniga@hacsb.org for more information or to sign up.*

SANTA BARBARA PARKS & RECREATION—YOUTH COUNSELOR LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

The Parks and Recreation Summer Fun - **Junior Counselor Leadership Program** is designed for young adults entering the 7th-12th grades for the 2021-2022 academic school year. JCs will have the opportunity to gain community service hours and leadership experience under the guidance of Parks and Recreation Summer Fun camp staff. JCs are expected to interact with campers, help with activities and special events, and most importantly, serve as a positive role model for younger campers. *Application due by April 29 by 5:00 PM. Interested participants must apply at www.santabarbaraca.seamlessdocs.com/f/pwaysz7qcmz.*



SANTA BARBARA PARKS & RECREATION—SUMMER FUN DROP-IN RECREATION PROGRAM

The Parks and Recreation Department's popular, FREE drop-in program provides recreation activities, sports, crafts, and special programs to children going into the 1st–6th grades. Participants in the Summer [Fun Drop-in Recreation Program](#) will enjoy 8-weeks filled with games, crafts, enrichment activities, sports, and the opportunity to participate in field trips, theme days, and more! Students interested in attending field trips such as the zoo or batting cages, will be required to pay an admissions fee. Inclusion support is also available for participants with special needs. [Registration starts Monday, April 25 at 9:00 AM.](#) For more information contact Araceli Ibarra at (805) 564-5495 or aibarra@santabarbaraca.gov.

UCSB—SUMMER DAY CAMP PROGRAM

UCSB Summer Day Camp will be back for summer 2022! [UCSB Summer Camp](#) provides a safe, fun, and active environment in which children can develop new skills, self-esteem and friendships in an action-packed environment. Campers enjoy daily swimming at the Recreation Center, access to the UCSB Gymnastics Room as well as weekly visits to the Ropes Adventure Course. Activities vary weekly and are designed to engage children of all ages and interests in arts and crafts, group games, gymnastics, movies, ropes, and swimming. [Registration will open on March 14, 2022 at 10:00 AM online at www.recreation.ucsb.edu/youth-programs/summer-day-camp.](http://www.recreation.ucsb.edu/youth-programs/summer-day-camp)

SANTA BARBARA PUBLIC LIBRARY—SUMMER READING PROGRAM: STAY AND PLAY

Drop by to learn, play, sing and share stories with your young children. Enjoy the company of other caregivers. Bilingual Spanish and English speaking staff will be present. Space is limited to 12 groups at a time. All participants except children under 2 need to wear a mask at all times, per County Public Health guidelines. [Visit the SBPL website for times and locations, www.santabarbaraca.evanced.info/signup/Calendar.](http://www.santabarbaraca.evanced.info/signup/Calendar)

SANTA BARBARA PUBLIC LIBRARY— ON THE SAME PAGE SUMMER READING PROGRAM

June 1, 2022 – July 31, 2022!

Kids - Ages 5-12: Read and relax this summer! Stop by any Santa Barbara Public Library location or find our new "[Library on the Go](#)" Van around town to pick out your very own free book, get a coloring sheet and a "Paper Chain Maker Book Log". You can also track your reading online. Children age 0-5 are encouraged to join 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten.

Teens - Ages 12-17: Set your own reading goal this summer and receive a free book for signing up! Log books and complete challenges all summer long to be entered into our weekly prize drawing. Each week, as long as you complete one challenge or log a book, you'll have a chance to win!

[See the SB Public Library calendar for summer events and Library on the Go Van stops, visit www.santabarbaraca.evanced.info/signup/Calendar.](http://www.santabarbaraca.evanced.info/signup/Calendar)

[Learn more about the Summer Reading Program by exploring the library's YouTube channel, visit www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLXIfRTEkcc2xFBw-RHqfta2q8j6ARLCFR.](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLXIfRTEkcc2xFBw-RHqfta2q8j6ARLCFR)

CAMP ELINGS 2022

[Camp Elings](#) returns this summer with their week long camps for youth ages 5-12. Children will get to experience the park with peers through the Outdoor Adventure Camp, Tennis Camp, BMX Camp or Inclusion Camp. *For a full list of available dates, times and pricing of each camp, please visit www.elingspark.org/summer-camp or call (805) 569-5611 or email info@elingspark.org.*

GIRLS, INC. SUMMER ENRICHMENT CAMP FOR TEENS

Girls, Inc. of Santa Barbara will be offering two summer sessions of enrichment camps for teens in grades 7-12. Teens will receive academic enrichment, leadership, sisterhood, college prep and advocacy skills in a pro-girl safe environment. The first session will be from June 20 – July 15 and the second session will be from July 18 – August 12 Monday through Friday 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM at the Girls Inc. Goleta Center. Each session is \$500.00 plus a \$35.00 registration fee per teen. *Financial assistance is available for qualifying families. Registration is now open and can be accessed at www.girlsincsb.org/programs/teens.*

GIRLS, INC. OF CARPINTERIA

Girls, Inc. of Carpinteria offers a summer program for young girls and teens that includes a comprehensive curriculum to inspire girls to be strong, smart, and bold. The Summer Camp staff is dedicated to providing a supportive environment in which attendees can realize their full potential through daily hands-on programming and enrichment experiences. Summer Day Camp begins June 20, 2022, for children entering K-8th grade from Monday to Friday 8:00 AM—5:30 PM. Sports Camp is from 9:00 AM—12:00 PM. Early drop-off available. *Fees—Annual Registration: \$35.00, Day Camp: \$200.00/week, Sports Camp: \$100.00/week, Fresh Futures: \$500.00/two weeks. Scholarships available! For more information, please contact Paola at paola@girlsinc-carp.org or (805) 684-6364.*

YMCA SUMMER CAMPS

Summer Day Camps: Day Camps at the YMCA are packed with activities and new friendships. YMCA campers will experience art, STEM activities, sports and outdoor recreation, field trips, and much more. Weekly themes bring energy to camp and ensure that each week is a different adventure.

Summer Enrichment Camps: YMCA Enrichment Camps are an exciting way for campers to dive into an interest for a full week. Enrichment Camps provide many opportunities for campers to learn and grow in skills around areas of interest. Weekly rates make it flexible for families to have the best summer EVER!

Sports Camps: Lace up those sneakers, put on your shorts, it's time to score a goal! We've got the FUN-damentals of your favorite sports covered in this safe and fun environment. *For more information, visit www.ciyymca.org/summer-camp.*

UNITED BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS

For discounted memberships, contact Leticia Zuñiga at the Housing Authority at (805) 897-1059 or lzuniga@hacsb.org.

Downtown Unit: (632 E Cañon Perdido St., Santa Barbara, CA 93103) Phone Number - (805) 962-2382

Westside Unit: (602 W. Anapamu St. Santa Barbara, CA 93101) Phone Number - (805) 966-2811

Goleta Unit: (5701 Hollister Avenue Goleta, CA 93117) Phone Number - (805) 967-1612

UNITED BOYS & GIRLS CLUB—SUMMER CAMP 2022

United Boys and Girls Clubs of Santa Barbara County will be offering full day and half day summer camp this summer for children in K-12 grade. Join one of the three clubs in Santa Barbara and experience art, sports, beach trips, field trips and more throughout the summer. Scholarships are available for qualifying families. Full day: \$75.00/week, Monday – Friday 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM. Half day: \$50.00/week Monday – Friday 12:00 PM – 6:00 PM. *Please visit www.unitedbg.org to learn more.*



UNITED BOYS & GIRLS CLUB—CAMP WHITTIER

For aspiring filmmakers! FREE 6-day, overnight, film camp for youth 13-16. Presented by Santa Barbara International Film Festival June 14-19, 2020. For more information contact the United Boys & Girls Club of Santa Barbara County at www.unitedbg.org/camp-whittier/teen-film-camp.

SANTA BARBARA BOTANIC GARDEN—SUMMER CAMP AT THE GARDEN

The Santa Barbara Botanic Garden's [Summer Camp at the Garden](http://www.sbbg.org/learn-discover/summer-camp-garden) invites children ages 5-10 to join them this summer for a week of outdoor play, exploration, and connection. Campers will create, get dirty, ask questions and seek answers in one of California's premier native botanical landscapes. *Registration is NOW open. To view a full list of camps, dates and times, please visit www.sbbg.org/learn-discover/summer-camp-garden or call (805) 682-4726 ext. 161.*

Housing Authority families can enjoy the garden completely FREE by contacting the Resident Services Department at (805) 897-1059. Summer camps registration fees can also be offset by the Housing Authority. Give us a call for more information!

Acorn Adventures (5-6 years old) - Weeks of July 11, July 25 & August 8:

Acorn Adventurers will connect with the natural world and each other through outdoor play, arts and crafts, wildlife viewing, and exploration.

A Sense of Nature (7-8 years old) - Weeks of July 11, July 25 & August 8:

Campers will discover how powerful our senses can be in exploring and understanding the world around us.

Create in Nature (7-8 years old) - Weeks of July 18 & August 1:

Campers will be inspired by our native landscapes and plants to get creative by creating art, writing poetry, performing skits and more.

Jr. Naturalist (9-10 years old) - Weeks of July 18 & August 1:

Campers will experience what it means to be a naturalist by learning real-life skills, such as how to use observational tools, identify common plants and animals, and perform conservation actions used by our own scientists.

AHA! EL CAPITAN CANYON SUMMER CAMP

Teens (aged 14-19) are invited to spend 3 device-free days exploring nature and nurture at breathtaking El Capitan Canyon. With guidance and support from skilled AHA! Facilitators (with a ratio of at least one staff for every four participants), 15 teens per camp will immerse themselves in nature, tune back into their creative spark; connect deeply with one another; and gain support for their unique dreams and expressions in the world. Youth will enjoy horseback riding, nature walks, writing, beach time, theater improv, movement, and art. Healthy relationship skill building will be a theme throughout, with plenty of listening circles and other activities. Once parent and teen applications are submitted, interested youth & families will be contacted to schedule an interview. Open to teens in the Santa Barbara area as well as out-of-town applicants. Teens and parents must submit an application and be interviewed in order to be considered. Space is limited.

Camp #1: June 19 at 4:00 PM-June 22 at 12:00 PM. Camp #2: June 22 at 4:00 PM-June 25 at 12:00 PM.

For more information, please contact Melissa Lowenstein at lowensteinaha@gmail.com. Please inquire about cost. Scholarships are available!



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