



DEMONSTRATION  
FOOD FOREST  
GARDEN TOUR

**6TH ANNUAL DEMONSTRATION FOOD FOREST GARDEN TOUR**

This Saturday, April 23rd, Sustainable Solano is offering a full tour of their demonstration food forest gardens and fun surprises after two years off due to COVID-19! The event will take place from 10 A.M. until 4 P.M in Vallejo and Benicia. 15 demonstration edible gardens will be available for touring. Learn more about the featured gardens [here](#). Learn more about this year's tour [here](#).

This is a great opportunity to visit edible

gardens designed for our local climate that capture rainwater and use simple greywater systems supplemented with drip irrigation to create waterwise, vibrant gardens. These gardens offer ideas and inspiration on how to use water efficiently while creating a lush thriving garden that supports life and provides food and habitat. Special events will highlight the importance of healthy soil biology and details on local food

To express interest in covering the tour or to ask questions, please contact: Allison Nagel at (805) 512-0901 or [allison@sustainablesolano.org](mailto:allison@sustainablesolano.org)

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WATER DEPARTMENT

**WATER MORATORIUM UPDATE**

FLEXIBLE, EXTENDED,  
NO-INTEREST PAYMENT PLANS  
AVAILABLE

On April 2, 2020, California Governor Newsom signed an executive order restricting water shutoffs to homes and small businesses during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The order protected consumers who could not pay for their water service during the pandemic, relieving them of fear that their water service may be shut off for non-payment. Although customers were protected from shutoffs during this time, this did not mean that the water delivered to customers could be provided free of charge. Costs to treat, monitor, and deliver drinking water to customers remained unchanged. For those customers not paying their bills, the unpaid amounts accumulated (interest-free) and were tracked by the Water Billing team.

The Governor's water billing moratorium came to an end on December 31, 2021. With the lifting of the state's moratorium so close to the holidays, and then the surge of the Omicron variant, the Vallejo Water Department opted to continue the water billing moratorium through March 31, 2022, in order to continue to provide a safety net to customers. With Vallejo's billing moratorium ending on March 31, all unpaid water charges that were delinquent on, and accrued, since April 2020 will be due.

We understand this can be a stressful transition for our customers, and we are here to help. We offer flexible and extended no-interest payment plans to avoid service shutoff.

Delinquency notices for past-due amounts will begin to be mailed to water customers in April 2022.

**TO ARRANGE FOR YOUR PAYMENT PLAN:**

- Email [vallejowaterbilling@cityofvallejo.net](mailto:vallejowaterbilling@cityofvallejo.net)
- Call (707) 648-4345
- Visit: [cityofvallejo.net/waterbilling](http://cityofvallejo.net/waterbilling)

In addition to payment plan options, the Water Rate Assistance Program (WRAP) is available to qualified customers. To learn more about WRAP visit [myvallejo.com/wrap](http://myvallejo.com/wrap).

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