

COACHELLA VALLEY PUBLIC CEMETERY DISTRICT

Quarterly Newsletter

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WHAT'S NEW

NEW SECTION OPENING

The District opens a new section for interments

MEET THE BOARD

Our new series introduces our Board of Trustees

2022 FINANCIAL REPORT

The 2022 Comprehensive Financial Report is published

AND MORE...

New Section Will Serve Community's Needs

THE COACHELLA VALLEY PUBLIC CEMETERY DISTRICT IS OPENING A NEW AREA - SECTION 26 – FOR AT-NEED AND PRE-NEED INTERMENTS BEGINNING MAY 1.

To discuss arrangements or property transactions with staff, the public is asked to use the District's online system at coachellacemetery.org/schedule-an-appointment. We kindly ask the public to utilize the appointment system as we are generally unable to accommodate walk-in customers.

Property transactions for Section 26 are available at the District office located at 82925 Avenue 52 in Coachella. Additional inventory is still available in other sections within the cemetery and may be purchased at any time. Please speak with staff for availability and more information.



Meet The Board

CVPCD's Meet the Board series introduces each of the five Trustees who establish policy, budget, and strategic direction for the Cemetery District.

BOARD CHAIR ERNESTO ROSALES

A lifelong resident of the Coachella Valley, Ernesto Rosales enjoys serving the community that has given him so much. He has extensive experience in the funeral home, advanced planning, and cemetery operations and has served most of his career helping families through their most difficult times.

Ernesto is passionate about giving back to his community through involvement in organizations ranging from youth sports to the arts. Two organizations close to his heart are Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Desert, where he serves as a Trustee and Mentor, and Ronald McDonald House, where he devotes his time as Board Chair. His community service has also included the Coachella Valley Rescue Mission, Greater Coachella Valley Chamber of Commerce, City of Coachella Economic Development Committee, First Tee, Our Lady of Perpetual Help School, Sunrise Rotary, The Unforgettables Foundation and the Dr. Carreon Foundation.



The Coachella Valley Public Cemetery District Board of Trustees meets on the first Friday of each month at 8 a.m. The public is welcome to attend and encouraged to submit ideas and suggestions at the meetings, which are held at 82-847 Avenue 52 in Coachella. For information, visit coachellacemetery.org/governance/board.

What Time Does the Cemetery Close?

HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED WHY THE CEMETERY CLOSES AT SUNDOWN INSTEAD OF A SET TIME?

The cemetery does not have lights, so it becomes a safety hazard to walk around the uneven ground and roads in the dark. To allow visitors as much time as possible before the end of the day, the Board established a sundown closing time, which allows us to keep the cemetery open as late as 8 p.m. in summer.

If the cemetery closed at 5 p.m., for instance, the public would lose out on valuable visiting hours in the evening when extended light allows for it. Exact times by month are posted on signs at both entrance gates and on our website, coachellacemetery.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/Closing-Times.pdf.

Audit Gives District's Financial Performance High Marks

The District's commitment to open government and sound financial management was confirmed by an independent audit of its financial report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

The audit determined that the District's financial statements followed generally accepted accounting principles. The annual review was conducted as required for special districts under state law.

CPA David Farnsworth evaluated the District's 2022 Comprehensive Financial Report, which includes details about the District's long-range financial planning, major initiatives and overall financial analysis.

To increase revenue, the District moved investments to higher-yield funds and studied fees to ensure they support future operations. The District also had 15 capital improvement projects with expenditures in FY 2022, most addressing aging infrastructure or designed to increase operational efficiencies.

The 2022 Comprehensive Financial Report was completed in January of this year and issued for public viewing on the Transparency section of our website at coachellacemetery.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Year-End-6-30-22.pdf.



COACHELLA VALLEY PUBLIC CEMETERY 2023

District Maintenance & Holiday Schedule

January	February	March	April	May	June
1 Jan 1 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	1 Feb 1 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	1 Mar 1 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	1 Apr 1 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	1 May 1 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	1 Jun 1 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
2 Jan 2 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	2 Feb 2 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	2 Mar 2 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	2 Apr 2 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	2 May 2 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	2 Jun 2 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
3 Jan 3 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	3 Feb 3 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	3 Mar 3 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	3 Apr 3 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	3 May 3 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	3 Jun 3 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
4 Jan 4 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	4 Feb 4 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	4 Mar 4 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	4 Apr 4 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	4 May 4 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	4 Jun 4 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
5 Jan 5 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	5 Feb 5 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	5 Mar 5 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	5 Apr 5 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	5 May 5 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	5 Jun 5 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
6 Jan 6 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	6 Feb 6 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	6 Mar 6 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	6 Apr 6 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	6 May 6 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	6 Jun 6 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
7 Jan 7 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	7 Feb 7 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	7 Mar 7 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	7 Apr 7 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	7 May 7 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	7 Jun 7 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
8 Jan 8 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	8 Feb 8 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	8 Mar 8 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	8 Apr 8 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	8 May 8 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	8 Jun 8 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
9 Jan 9 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	9 Feb 9 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	9 Mar 9 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	9 Apr 9 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	9 May 9 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	9 Jun 9 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
10 Jan 10 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	10 Feb 10 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	10 Mar 10 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	10 Apr 10 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	10 May 10 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	10 Jun 10 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
11 Jan 11 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	11 Feb 11 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	11 Mar 11 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	11 Apr 11 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	11 May 11 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	11 Jun 11 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
12 Jan 12 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	12 Feb 12 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	12 Mar 12 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	12 Apr 12 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	12 May 12 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	12 Jun 12 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
13 Jan 13 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	13 Feb 13 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	13 Mar 13 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	13 Apr 13 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	13 May 13 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	13 Jun 13 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
14 Jan 14 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	14 Feb 14 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	14 Mar 14 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	14 Apr 14 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	14 May 14 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	14 Jun 14 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
15 Jan 15 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	15 Feb 15 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	15 Mar 15 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	15 Apr 15 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	15 May 15 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	15 Jun 15 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
16 Jan 16 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	16 Feb 16 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	16 Mar 16 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	16 Apr 16 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	16 May 16 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	16 Jun 16 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
17 Jan 17 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	17 Feb 17 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	17 Mar 17 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	17 Apr 17 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	17 May 17 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	17 Jun 17 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
18 Jan 18 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	18 Feb 18 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	18 Mar 18 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	18 Apr 18 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	18 May 18 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	18 Jun 18 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
19 Jan 19 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	19 Feb 19 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	19 Mar 19 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	19 Apr 19 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	19 May 19 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	19 Jun 19 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
20 Jan 20 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	20 Feb 20 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	20 Mar 20 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	20 Apr 20 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	20 May 20 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	20 Jun 20 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
21 Jan 21 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	21 Feb 21 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	21 Mar 21 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	21 Apr 21 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	21 May 21 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	21 Jun 21 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
22 Jan 22 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	22 Feb 22 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	22 Mar 22 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	22 Apr 22 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	22 May 22 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	22 Jun 22 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
23 Jan 23 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	23 Feb 23 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	23 Mar 23 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	23 Apr 23 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	23 May 23 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	23 Jun 23 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
24 Jan 24 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	24 Feb 24 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	24 Mar 24 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	24 Apr 24 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	24 May 24 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	24 Jun 24 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
25 Jan 25 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	25 Feb 25 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	25 Mar 25 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	25 Apr 25 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	25 May 25 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	25 Jun 25 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
26 Jan 26 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	26 Feb 26 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	26 Mar 26 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	26 Apr 26 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	26 May 26 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	26 Jun 26 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
27 Jan 27 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	27 Feb 27 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	27 Mar 27 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	27 Apr 27 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	27 May 27 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	27 Jun 27 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
28 Jan 28 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	28 Feb 28 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	28 Mar 28 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	28 Apr 28 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	28 May 28 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	28 Jun 28 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
29 Jan 29 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	29 Feb 29 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	29 Mar 29 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	29 Apr 29 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	29 May 29 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	29 Jun 29 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
30 Jan 30 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	30 Feb 30 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	30 Mar 30 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	30 Apr 30 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	30 May 30 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	30 Jun 30 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
31 Jan 31 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	31 Feb 31 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	31 Mar 31 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	31 Apr 31 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	31 May 31 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	31 Jun 31 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Cemetery Closing
The cemetery closes at "sundown" daily. To assist the public, we have provided specific closing times for the year below:
Jan. 1 - Feb. 28: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Mar. 1 - May 31: 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Jun. 1 - Dec. 31: 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

The 2023 District Calendar is available online in English and Spanish.

The calendar contains valuable information for the public, including major events, dates when vehicle access to the cemetery will be restricted, scheduled changes to the District's mowing schedule, and more. The calendar can be viewed or downloaded coachellacemetery.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/2023-District-Calendar.pdf



Did You Know?

The Coachella Valley Public Cemetery District has developed only 29 of its 60-acre property.

The property is expected to meet the interment needs of the public through 2070.



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