

# OLYMPIC VALLEY PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT BOARD REPORT



**SUBJECT:** Administration & Office Report **EXHIBIT:** G-4, 7 Pages

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** This report is informational only; no action is requested from the

Board.

**DISCUSSION**: 2025 Board Secretary/Clerk Conference (CSDA)

Our Program Analyst, Ashley Massey, is currently attending the 2025 Board Secretary/Clerk Conference, having been awarded a scholarship to participate. This valuable opportunity allows her to expand her knowledge and earn her Board Secretary Certificate, further enhancing her ability to support the District.

#### **Utility Statements**

In early July, staff sent 925 utility bills to residential and commercial customers for water, sewer, and/or garbage services. Last year, staff sent out 1,078 utility bills. In early September, staff sent 142 utility statements that are overdue for a cumulative total of \$338,803.34. Last year, staff sent 158 unpaid utility statements that were overdue for a cumulative total of \$322,406.82.

#### California Special Districts Association (CSDA)

The District's membership with CSDA runs on a calendar year and the District recently received the 2025 membership renewal fees. The cost of membership is \$9,827 annually, which is a 3.5% increase over the prior year. The District greatly benefits from the CSDA's legislative advocacy work and professional development opportunities. A pamphlet of the 2025 CSDA highlights is attached to this report.

#### SDRMA Worker's Compensation Refund

After completing our annual workers' compensation audit, the District owed \$2,053 from fiscal year 2025. The District prepays workers' compensation every year and will either receive a refund or owe a balance at the end of the fiscal year based on the actual wages paid.

#### Winter Newsletter Topics

Staff is seeking topic suggestions for the upcoming winter newsletter. If any Board members have newsletter suggestions, please contact Jessica Asher, Board Secretary.

**ATTACHMENTS**: 2025 CSDA Highlights **DATE PREPARED**: October 16, 2025



# The Growing Value of Membership

### **Highlighted Benefits**



**Government Entities Participating** 

#### CA CLASS Exceeds \$2B

California CLASS provides districts with a comprehensive, professionally managed approach to investing, a dedicated client service team, and a userfriendly and secure online transaction portal.





**Agencies Already Participating** 

#### New Benefit: FREE Amazon Business Prime for CSDA members

CSDA Members access FREE Amazon Business Prime including fast & free shipping, unlimited users per account, a \$5000+ line of credit, and additional discounts on thousands of essential items.



### Membership

**80+ 81400+** 

**New Members** 

Members

### **CSDA** Communities

Members share ideas, resources, and solutions every day.



Members Engaging in CSDA Online **Communities** 

New in 2025! **Board Secretary/Clerk Online Community** 

# **Professional** Development



**Live Webinar Registrations** 



**Professional Development** Registrations



**Conference Registrations** 



**On Demand Webinar** Registrations



**肇800+** 

**Workshop Registrations** 



**LIVE Event Registrations** 



Special District Leadership Foundation (SDLF)

In Scholarships Awarded to Special District Board Members and Staff

scholarships to

different districts

**CSDA Annual Conference** & Exhibitor Showcase

₩27%

First-Time Attendees

<sup>₽</sup>†20%

First-Time Exhibitors

#### **Grassroots**



# Average Responses to Formal CSDA Calls-to-Action

When CSDA issues a formal call for support or opposition on a top priority bill, special districts take action.



#### **New CSDA-Affiliated Chapters**

28 Affiliated Chapters:

New! Special Districts Association of San Gabriel Valley & Special Districts Association of Santa Cruz and San Benito Counties

### State Legislative Year Bill Stats



Reviewed State Bills



Actively
Tracked Bills



Adopted Priority
Positions on Bills

# afa 600+

### **Grassroots Mobilization Program Participants**

CSDA has identified hundreds of members maintaining legislative relationships who are willing to activate when needed to impact public policy.



\$180,000+

CSDA partnered with State Controller Malia M. Cohen to return over \$180,000 in unclaimed property to 166 special districts.

# **Special Districts Legislative Days**



Local Leaders Joined Together



30

Regional Groups Represented



Capitol Office Visits with Legislators And Staff

Save the Date for the 2026 Special Districts Legislative Days

April 7-8, 2026 in Sacramento

LegislativeDays.csda.net



# The Voice of Special Districts

Through CSDA, members gain a seat at the table on the issues that impact all types of special districts.

We make special districts stronger together.



#### **Local** Control

#### Brown Act Revamp (SB 707 and AB 259)

Achieved critical amendments within the most significant Brown Act legislation in decades that will drastically narrow mandates and improve implementation.

Secured an extension to "just cause" and "emergency circumstances" remote meeting provisions sponsored by CSDA.

#### **Gov Website and Email Mandate (AB 810)**

Successfully opposed Would require special districts to use a .gov or .ca.gov website URL and email addresses. (2-year bill)

#### Workplace Technology (AB 1331)

Successfully opposed: Would unjustifiably limit the ability of employers to use certain workplace technologies, such as surveillance systems. (2-year bill)



#### Local Revenue

# Property Tax Revenue for "Small" Homes (AB 317)

Successfully opposed: Would have eliminated property tax revenue on new homes measuring less than 1,500 square feet.

#### Development Related Fee Revenue for Affordable Housing (AB 874)

Successfully opposed: Would eliminate development related fee revenue for certain affordable housing developments. (2-year bill)

#### Wildfire Relief

Successfully supported: backfills to affected special districts for property tax revenue losses and supported budget requests for unique impacts from wildfires.



#### **Local Services**

# ZEV Mandate Reform (SB 496 and CARB Regulation Update)

Sponsored legislation: Reform the CARB Advanced Clean Fleets regulation that unanimously passed two policy committees before being held in fiscal committee. Organized a city, county and special district comment letter for regulation updates.

# Union Notification and Contracting Delay (AB 339)

Served as a leader in the local government coalition opposed to legislation that could have rendered contracting for services unworkable.

#### Surplus Land Act (SB 79)

Resolved concerns over amendments that could have undermined special districts' ability to govern and use district property.



## Local Affordability

#### Pension Un-reform (AB 1383)

Successfully opposed, with coalition partners: Would undermine pension reform and dramatically increase pension costs. (2-year bill)

# Information Practices Act Mandate (AB 1337)

Successfully opposed: Would impose numerous, onerous data retention, handling, and collection mandates on local agencies. (2-year bill)

#### New Technologies (AB 1018 and SB 7)

Successfully opposed: AB 1018

Led the local government coalition opposed to SB 7:

 Both of which would unduly limit the ability of local governments to use certain developing automated decision systems technologies.



# Legal Advocacy

Representing the Interests of Special Districts in State and Federal Courts

**CSDA Legal Advisory** Working (LAW) Group





Tracked cases in the District **Courts of Appeal, California Supreme Court, U.S. Court of** Appeals, and U.S. Supreme Court.

Approved amicus actions in cases impacting special district interests, including cases related to:

- Surplus Land Act
- Brown Act
- Takings of Appropriated Water Rights
- Proposition 218 Rate Setting
- · Endangered Species Act
- · ...and more

**CSDA Plays Founding Role in** 1st Ever National Association for Special Districts





Districts, One Voice.

Primary Focus: Special District Fairness and Accessibility Act (HR 2766/SB 2014)

Introduced in both the U.S. House of Representatives and U.S. Senate, the bill will clarify the role and purpose of special districts across the country by defining special districts in Federal Law.



**NSDA** Representatives Met with Congressional Offices to Advocate on Behalf of Districts Across the Nation

# Join the Movement & Showcase Special District Impact

Be part of this growing movement to highlight the critical role of special districts in communities:

**Boost Public Awareness Create Positive Impressions** 

**Build Trust** 

**Elevate your District's Reputation** 



Like and Follow @LocalDistricts



and Tag us to





## **Business Affiliates**



### Diamond Level































## Platinum Level



















- Brown Armstrong **Accountancy Corporation**
- CalTRUST
- Centric Business Solutions
- Cole Huber LLP
- Complete Paperless Solutions
- Easeworks

- Energy Systems Group
- Harshwal & Company LLP
- Kosmont Financial Services
- National Demographics Corporation (NDC)
- NBS
- <sup>⊕</sup> Nossaman, LLP

- Redwood Public Law, LLP
- River City Bank
- Sitelog(Q)
- Slovak Baron Empey Murphy & Pinkney LLP
- Tyler Technologies, Inc.
- Witt O'Brien's | Ambipar

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