



## Watsonville PAL Program

The Watsonville Police Activities League (PAL) is a program that helps create a bond between police and kids through recreational and educational activities. The Watsonville PAL Program has served over 400 youth in our community.

In recent months PAL has collaborated with local organizations that directly refer youth to participate in the Caminos and Adelante Programs. These two programs are grant-funded and overseen by the Police Department.

PAL provides activities through these programs that include martial arts, mentoring, day trips, college explorations and art programs. Such activities aim at enhancing kids' self-confidence and interpersonal skills.

Caminos is an evidence-based alternative to detention. It diverts first-time offenders to community-based services that include

restorative justice, a comprehensive treatment plan, parent training and family therapy.

The "Adelante" initiative focuses on gang prevention and intervention. Its Guiding Good Choices program provides case management, cognitive behavioral



therapy, counseling and mentoring for at-risk youth and their families. **For more information call 763-4146.**

## Keeping Up with Watsonville

• **Gallons Pledged** – As of December 15, 2014 Watsonville residents have pledged to save a total of 820,155 gallons of water. Thank you, and continue to conserve water, as current rain fall amounts do not get us out of the drought.

• **2015 Earth Day/Day of the Child** – If you're interested in sponsoring this annual family event to be held on April 26, call 768-3107.

• **World Wetlands Day** – Come celebrate World Wetlands Day with City staff and Watsonville Wetlands Watch on January 31st. For information call the City Nature Center at 768-1622.

• **Water Main Replacement Program** – The College Road Water Main Project will be scheduled, weather permitting, throughout the next 3-months.

## Cesar E. Chavez Awards

Now in its 13th year, the Cesar E. Chavez Community Awards continues to recognize individuals who make Watsonville an ideal place to live, work and play, through volunteer work that benefits the community.



Seven local community members will be recognized at an awards dinner next March. All seven exemplify and promote community involvement, volunteerism and non-violent conflict resolution; these are all values espoused by Cesar E. Chavez. The awards ceremony will take place on Thursday, March 19, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Civic Plaza Community Room at 275 Main St., 4th Floor.

If you know an individual who has made a difference in our community, and who you would like to nominate for recognition, you can pick up the application at the Parks and Community Services Office at 231 Union Street. Deadline for submittal of applications along with photo of the nominee is Thursday, February 19th. **For more information, call Customer Service at 768-3240.**

## 2015 City Council Members

### Mayor

Nancy Bilicich, District 7 -- 768-3007

### Mayor Pro Tempore

Felipe Hernandez, District 1 -- 768-3001

Karina Cervantez, District 2 -- 768-3002

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Jimmy Dutra, District 4 -- 768-3004

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Trina Coffman-Gomez, District 6 -- 768-3006

## Your City Directory

Police/Fire (Non-Emergency)	471-1151
Police (Records)	768-3370
City Manager	768-3010
Library (Main Branch)	768-3400
Parks & Community Services	768-3240
Permits	768-3050
Utility Bill Payments	768-3455
Water/Garbage	768-3133