



Creating Energy & Strength through Unity
Our alliance provides continuity and a communication
network for citizens and groups dedicated to progressive causes.

Progressive Alliance Calendar December 2023

*"Do what you can to show you care about other people and
you will make our world a better place." Rosalynn Carter*

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December 1, 4, 6 SHARE Ministries' Food Distribution

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays are SHARE Ministries' and EDC Food Bank food distribution days from 10am-noon. 1031 Thompson Way, Placerville. For other days and locations go [HERE](#) See flyer below.

December 1 Free Public Viewing Placerville Observatory

Public viewing is **free every Friday and Saturday night in December**. Please check back by 3PM on the day of the event for weather or staffing closures. Time: 7:30-9:30pm. Location: Community Observatory, 6699 Campus Drive, Placerville. Information [HERE](#)

December 2 Dam, That's a Nice Hike

This is an easy-moderate 5 mile scenic hike (RT) along the North Fork of the American River. The trail is well marked and quite safe for the entire family. Fit 6+ and well-behaved dogs on leash welcome. 8-10:30 am. Contact: ARConservancy.org/events

December 2 Friends of the Library Book Sale

The monthly book sale is from 8:30-1:30 in the back of the Placerville Library. Books are \$7 a bag. Contact: folplv@icloud.com

December 2 First Saturday Tour and Open Garden Day

The tour starts at 9 am and lasts about an hour. Then you are free to roam around the various demonstration gardens and ask questions of the Master Gardeners onsite. Gardens close at 12 noon. 6699 Campus Drive, Placerville. Purchase a \$2 parking permit at any kiosk. Contact: <https://mgeldorado.ucanr.edu>

December 2 Snowshoe With a Forester

Enjoy an easy-moderate introductory snowshoe hike through the woods. Hikers will learn the ecology of forest environments in the winter and basic winter backcountry awareness. Fit 13+ welcome. 9am-4pm. Meeting location Foresthill area. Contact: ARConservancy.org/events

December 2 Free Daytime Solar Observing at Placerville Observatory

Monthly daytime solar viewing happens the first Saturday of each month. Please check back prior to the event for weather or staffing closures. Time: 10am-12pm. Location: Community Observatory, 6699 Campus Drive, Placerville. Information [HERE](#)

December 6 & 13 & 20 - Wakamatsu Farm Wednesday Workdays

Projects center around small site improvements. 9-12 noon. Contact: ARConservancy.org/events

December 7 All I Want for Christmas is Lexi Boeger for Supervisor!

Fundraising event for Lexi Boeger for Supervisor of District 3. 6:00-8:00pm, Boeger Winery 1709 Carson Road Placerville. The Art of Wine- Wine tasting and silent auction of local artist's original works-on-wine. Hand designed art on El Dorado County fine wine. Get your perfect holiday gifts and support the campaign to boot! Light appetizers, wine tasting, auction and gift-wrap station. \$40 admission. Tickets and Information [HERE](#)

December 9 Candle-Making at Christmas in Coloma

Come to the Nature Center at the Marshall Gold Discovery Park and sample cookies and hot apple cider while enjoying a candle-making craft. 10:30am-3pm. Great for kids and the whole family. Contact: ARConservancy.org/events

December 10 Community Table

The community table takes place every other Sunday each month at 24 Carrot Farm, 2731 Jacquier Rd, Placerville. Drop off donations between 8-9 am. The table opens at 9am. Contact: schrodycomb@gmail.com

December 10 Sogetsu Ikebana Class

Learn the fine art of Japanese flower arranging. Ages 8+ with adult supervision welcome. 10am-1pm. Contact: ARConservancy.org/events

December 10 El Dorado Progressives Human Rights Day Event

Dignity, Freedom, and Justice for All. Featuring art, poetry, and speakers. 2-4pm. Placerville Town Hall on Main St. Contact: eldoradoprogressives@gmail.com

December 12 Sierra Forward Town Hall presents Jessica Morse!

7:00pm via Zoom. Rsvp for the Zoom link at Sierraforward.com [HERE](#) or for questions, contact Mary ml.elliott@sbcglobal.net

December 14 Wilderness Orienteering

Enjoy the natural beauty of Wakamatsu Farm while learning basic orienteering skills. No experience necessary. Ages 12 + welcome. 10am - 12 noon. Contact: ARConservancy.org/events

December 14 Democratic Women of EDC Holiday Party

Join Democratic Women of El Dorado County (DWEDC) 6pm-8pm for our annual Holiday Party. Location is a private home in El Dorado Hills. RSVP: [HERE](#) or DemWomenEdc@gmail.com for information.

December 16 Art Walk on Main St Placerville

Historic Downtown Placerville. Main Street galleries and merchants host changing art shows and late night shopping every third Saturday of the month. Demonstrations, refreshments, music and more. Enjoy the art galleries, restaurants, and shops which will be open late. 5-8 pm.

December 17 Zen Meditation & Qigong in Wakamatsu Farm

This event will include sessions of Qigong, mindfulness meditation, and walking meditation. Responsible/quiet 12 + welcome. 10-11 am. Contact: ARConservancy.org/events

December 24 Community Table

The community table takes place every other Sunday each month at 24 Carrot Farm, 2731 Jacquier Rd, Placerville. Drop off donations between 8-9 am. The table opens at 9am. Contact: schrodycomb@gmail.com

December 29 Family Snowshoe Hike at Echo Lake

Enjoy a moderate 3 mile hike with an elevation gain of 300-400 feet. Fit 8+ welcome. 8:30am-3pm. Contact: ARConservancy.org/events

December 30 Mushrooms in El Dorado County

Learn the basics of mushroom identification. Responsible 12 + welcome. 10am-1pm.

Contact: ARConservancy.org/events

Save the Date

January The Monks of Gaden Shartse are coming!

Keep your eyes open for further information

February 24 Crackin' Crab for Kids Fundraiser for Big Brothers Big Sisters.

Go [HERE](#) for information.

Questions: Contact juan@bbbsns.org or 530-626-1222 ext 104

Election 2024

Some wonderful local folks have stepped up to run for office. Here is where we'll list their events, canvassing and phone banking opportunities. Please do what you can to help!

Sean Frame for Assembly Canvass Opportunities:

December 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17, 23, 24, 30, 31

Join Team Frame as we canvass and help elect Sean Frame to represent the 6th Assembly District. All you need is a cell phone, the app PDI Mobile Connect, comfortable walking shoes, and a friend to walk with. Script and training is provided for new canvassers. RSVP to Mobilize and get our meeting location. Contact Tomas for any questions you may have at tomas@seanframe.com

RSVP here: <https://www.mobilize.us/seanframeforassembly2024/>

Sean Frame for Assembly Virtual Phone Bank Opportunities

December 5, 6, 7, 12, 14, 19, 20, 26, 27, 28

Phone bank to help elect Sean to the State Assembly from the comfort of your own home. All you need is a computer or laptop and a cell phone. We will send you instructions, scripts, and a zoom link to join us from 6-8pm. We utilize PDI's Phone Bank tool to track our contacts. Training is provided during the zoom meeting. Contact Tomas for any questions at tomas@seanframe.com. RSVP on Mobilize here:

<https://www.mobilize.us/seanframeforassembly2024/>

For Your Information

Master Gardener Help Desk is Open T/W/Th from 9 until 12 noon. Stop by if you have a gardening question or problem. 311 Fair Lane, Placerville. Contact: 530-621-5512 or mgeldorado@ucanr.edu

The Master Gardeners Public Office will be closed Dec. 22-Jan. 2.

The Center for Violence Free Relationships is open for in-person appointments if zoom and phones services are unavailable. Visit their website for protocols for in-person appointments. thecenternow.org
Crisis Support Line (530)626-1131 or (916)939-6616

Community Volunteers/ Help Wanted/ Donations Needed

Housing El Dorado is looking for input and volunteers! Help make a meaningful difference in our community by sharing your ideas and/or time. [See flyer below.](#)

Interested and able to donate to help our local seniors? It's almost Senior Santa time (and there are other programs to choose from) -donate through the [El Dorado Community Foundation](#). Click [HERE](#) and consider a year end gift!

The Center Now asks you to "Adopt a Family" for the holidays! This program provides an opportunity for our generous Donors to go beyond the basic necessities for our families in need. It gives families the chance to ask for something really special to place under the tree. We match Donors like you with one of our families and from your matched family's wish list, you shop, wrap, and drop off the special gifts for the family to pick up at The Center. Consider making this a special holiday project to share with your office, group, or your own family. There are many ways to help, especially during the holidays. Take a look [HERE](#) and [HERE](#) for ways to give direct donations of goods and funds. Thank you!

Websites and Contact Information:

Big Brothers/Big Sisters

Contact: Amber Henrichs

530-626-1222

amber@mentors4youth.org

EDC Progressive Alliance

edcprogressivealliance@yahoo.com

Democratic Women's Club

www.edcdems.org

Contact: Lorraine King

916-220-2872

Lorraine.king@sbcglobal.net

El Dorado County Democratic Party

www.edcdems.org
info@edcdems.org

El Dorado Peace & Justice Community

www.edpic.org
jrmarti2@earthlink.net
Jim Martin (530) 622-9549

El Dorado Progressives

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/287092428352556/>
eldoradoprogressives@gmail.com
<https://eldoradoprogressives.org/>

Friends of EDC Seniors

www.friendsofEDCseniors.org
info@friendsofEDCsenior.org
530-334-6090

League of Women Voters EDC (nonpartisan)

www.lwveldorado.org
(530)621-2260

Myrtle Tree Arts

Paul and Ameera Godwin
myrtletreearts@gmail.com

Sierra Club Madrone Group

www.sierraclub.org/mother-lode/madrone
barbara.brydon@comcast.net
Contact: Barbara Brydon

Sierra Wildlife Rescue

(530)621-2020
<https://sierrawildliferescue.org/>

The Center for Violence-Free Relationships

24/7 Crisis Help Line: 530-626-1131 or
916-939-6616, Office Phone: 530-626-1450
or 916-939-4464 www.thecenternow.org

United Democrats of El Dorado County

www.edcdems.org
Contact: John Savage
Savage956@hotmail.com



Photo of the Month

Hometown Holiday Tree Lighting in Placerville was a big success!

Photographer Leslie Sellman-Sant



Food Distribution Sites

Food Bank El Dorado County

<p>Camino Camino Adventist Community Services 3520 Carson Rd Wednesdays 9 am - Noon</p> <p>Cameron Park Light of the Hills Lutheran Church 3100 Rodeo Rd 1st, 2nd & 3rd Tuesdays 11am - Noon</p> <p>El Dorado El Dorado Community Church 4701 Church St 2nd & 4th Fridays 11 am - 2:30 pm</p> <p>El Dorado Hills Hills Church 800 White Rock Rd 2nd & 4th Tuesdays 10 am - 11 am</p> <p>Garden Valley House of Prayer 7901 Hwy 193 2nd & 4th Wednesdays 11 am - 2 pm</p>	<p>Placerville Foothill Indian Education 100 Forni Rd 1st & 3rd Fridays 11:30 am - 1 pm</p> <p>Placerville Green Valley Community Church 3500 Missouri Flat Rd Saturdays 8 am - 11 am</p> <p>Placerville Placerville Adventist Community Services 6831 Mother Lode Rd 2nd & 4th Wednesdays 9 am - Noon</p> <p>Placerville SHARE Ministries 1031 Thompson Way Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays 10 am - Noon</p> <p>Placerville Upper Room Dining Hall 1868 Broadway St Daily 4 pm - 5 pm</p> <p>Pollock Pines Pollock Pines Community Church 6361 Pony Express Trl 2nd & 4th Fridays 11:30 am - 1 pm</p>	<p>Somerset Pioneer Bible Church 6851 Mt Aukum Rd 2nd & 4th Fridays 1 pm - 2 pm</p> <p>South Lake Tahoe SLT Family Resource Center 3501 Spruce Ave 2nd Friday 10 am - 4 pm</p> <p>South Lake Tahoe Phoenix Food Pantry 2733 Lake Tahoe Blvd Wednesdays 10:30 am - Noon</p> <p>South Lake Tahoe St. Theresa's Bread & Broth 1041 Lyons Ave Mondays 4 pm - 5:30 pm</p> <p>South Lake Tahoe Lake Tahoe Community Presbyterian Church 2733 Lake Tahoe Blvd Fridays 4 pm - 5 pm</p>
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**VOLUNTEERS
URGENTLY
NEEDED**

WE NEED YOU!

If you have a passion for our unhoused neighbors and want to make a meaningful difference in our community, we want to hear from you!

Call or email us at:
(530) 317-8877
housingeldorado@gmail.com

Or visit:
Tinyurl.com/HEDVolunteers

