



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

## Progressive Alliance Calendar February 2024

*"In February, one can taste the full joys of anticipation.  
Spring stands at the gate with her finger on the latch."  
Patience Strong*

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### **NOW through June NEA Big Read Reading Festival**

A literary festival featuring events and workshops at El Dorado County libraries through June 2024 to include Book Talks, Cross-Generational Story Swap, Self-portrait Workshops, Graphic Anthology, StorySlam, Artist Talk, and "A Picture's Worth" Gallery Exhibition

Go [HERE](#) to learn all about it!

### **February 2, 5, 7 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.

### **February 2 Free Public Viewing Placerville Observatory**

Public viewing is **free every Friday and Saturday night in February**. 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](#)

### **February 3 Friends of the Library Book Sale**

The monthly book sale is from 9am-1pm in the back of the Placerville Library Books are \$7 a bag. Contact: [folplv@icloud.com](mailto:folplv@icloud.com)

### **February 3 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>

### **February 3 Sierra Wildlife Rescue's 2024 Fair**

Team members will be on hand to answer questions about their program "Rescue, Rehab, Release". 10am-2pm, Shingle Springs Community Center, 4440 South Shingle Rd, Shingle Springs. See flyer below. Contact: [www.sierrawildliferescue.org](http://www.sierrawildliferescue.org)

### **February 3 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](#)

### **February 4 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](mailto:schrodycomb@gmail.com)

### **February 5 Veterans' Voices Writing Workshop**

Veterans' Voices is a free and ongoing writing workshop that is open to all veterans, from any branch of service. It offers a supportive environment and the tools needed for the writing of fiction and nonfiction stories, service related or not, as well as memoir, poetry and drama. Newcomers are always welcome.

Monday Nights: 6:30 - 8:30 pm. Location: Veterans Memorial Building 130 Placerville Drive, Placerville. Second Floor Lounge. Parking and Entry on Upper Level. For more information about the workshop and the current meeting schedule,

please contact the workshop leader, Jack Carman, at [jackcarman@att.net](mailto:jackcarman@att.net) or call the offices of Arts and Culture El Dorado at (530) 295-3496. Website [HERE](#)

### **February 7, 14, 21, & 28 Wakamatsu Wednesdays-Farm Workdays**

The volunteer workdays are centered around small projects on the farm. 9am.

Contact: [stewardship@ARConservancy.org](mailto:stewardship@ARConservancy.org)

### **February 8 League of Women Voters Non-partisan Candidate Forum**

Get to know the candidates for Board of Supervisors District 2. 7pm, Cameron Park Community Center, 2502 Country Club Drive, Cameron Park. **See flyer below.** Contact:

[LWVeldoradocounty@gmail.com](mailto:LWVeldoradocounty@gmail.com)

### **February 9 Bird Songs & Vocalizations - Zoom Event**

Explore how and why birds sing and how we study bird songs to understand what they are saying to each other. 6:30-7:30 pm. This presentation is geared for adults but all ages are welcome. Free event though donations are welcome. You will receive Zoom details via email once you register online. [HERE](#)

### **February 10 Snowshoe Tour with a Forester**

This is an easy/moderate introductory hike through the woods. Learn about the forest environment and some backcountry awareness. Fit 13+ welcome. 9am-4pm. Free.

Info [HERE](#)

### **February 10 Free Master Gardeners Class: Grow Your Own Cutting Garden**

Come learn which flowers are best suited for bouquets and care of these lovely flowers. 9am - 12 noon. Placerville Library, 345 Fair Lane, Placerville. Contact:

[mgeldorado@ucanr.edu](mailto:mgeldorado@ucanr.edu)

### **February 10 Free Master Gardener Class: Rose Pruning and Care**

Learn the basics of dormant pruning and rose care. 9am -12 noon. Sherwood Demonstration Garden, 6699 Campus Drive, Placerville. Contact:

[mgeldorado@ucanr.edu](mailto:mgeldorado@ucanr.edu)

### **February 10 Sierra Wildlife Rescue Class: Spiders, Snakes & Lizards, Oh My!**

Learn about the benefits of snakes and other commonly feared wildlife. 10am-12 noon, SWR Center, 777 Pleasant Valley Road, Diamond Springs. Contact: 530-621-2650

### **February 10 Sierra Wildlife Rescue Class: Rabbit Rehabilitation**

1-3 pm, SWR Center, 777 Pleasant Valley Rd, Diamond Springs. Contact: 530-621-2650

### **February 11 Sogetsu Ikebana Class**

Learn the art of Japanese flower arranging. Ages 8+ welcome with adult supervision.

10am-1pm. Sign up [HERE](#)

### **February 14 Free Master Gardener Class: Gardening in Small Spaces**

Topics include site location, design, raised bed options, container gardening and other methods that will make the most of your small space. 9am -12 noon. Cameron Park Community Center, 2502 Country Club Drive, Cameron Park. Contact: [mgeldorado@ucan.edu](mailto:mgeldorado@ucan.edu)

### **February 15 United Democrats Meeting**

The United Democrats of El Dorado County will be meeting on Thursday, February 15th at Noon at the Round Table Pizza on Missouri Flat Road in Placerville. Our Speaker will be Kevin McCarty, Candidate for Congress in District 2. Contact: [savage956@hotmail.com](mailto:savage956@hotmail.com)

### **February 15 League of Women Voters Non-partisan Candidate Forum**

Get to know the candidates for Board of Supervisors District 1. 7 pm. El Dorado Hills CSD, 1021 Harvard Way, El Dorado Hills. **See flyer below.**  
Contact: [LWVeldoradocounty@gmail.com](mailto:LWVeldoradocounty@gmail.com)

### **February 17 Coffee and Conversation with Democrats**

The United Democrats will be hosting a Coffee Meet-Up on Saturday, February 17 at 10:00 at the Placerville Raley's Community Room. We will be discussing the March 5 Ballot. Contact: John [savage956@hotmail.com](mailto:savage956@hotmail.com)

### **February 17 Sierra Wildlife Rescue Class: Opossum Rehabilitation**

1-3 pm. SWR Center, 777 Pleasant Valley Rd, Diamond Springs.  
Contact: 530-621-2650

### **February 17 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.

### **February 18 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](mailto:schrodycomb@gmail.com)

### **February 18 El Dorado Progressives General Meeting - Black History Month**

Speakers to Be Announced, 3:30 - 5:00 by Zoom. Register [HERE](#)  
Send inquiries to: [eldoradoproggressives@gmail.com](mailto:eldoradoproggressives@gmail.com)

### **February 22 Sierra Forward Town Hall: Wildfire Strategies in the Foothills**

Zoom, 6 pm. Ken Pimlott, former Chief of CalFire, will lead a discussion on wildfire preparedness and resiliency. He was retained by the county to lead an effort preparing a “wildfire strategy”. It is somewhat unique in the state, and could be a guide for other counties. Zoom registration will be posted on the Sierra Forward website in early February, also on Facebook or the Sierra Forward email. Sign up for the emails on our website [www.sierraforward.com](http://www.sierraforward.com)

### **February 24 Sierra Wildlife Rescue Class: Certify Your Habitat to Help Wildlife**

10am-12 noon, SWR Center, 777 Pleasant Valley Rd, Diamond Springs. Contact: 530-621-2650

### **February 24 Sierra Wildlife Rescue Class: Squirrel Rehabilitation**

1-3 pm, SWR Center, 777 Pleasant Valley Rd, Diamond Springs.  
Contact: 530-621-2650

### **February 24 Crackin’ Crab for Kids Fundraiser for Big Brothers Big Sisters.**

Go [HERE](#) for information. Contact [juan@bbbsns.org](mailto:juan@bbbsns.org) or 530-626-1222 Ext 104

## **Save the Date**

**March 5 Primary Election**

**April 6 Empty Bowls Benefit Supper**

**June 8 Annual Fundraising Gala for The Center Now**

## **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!

### **Key Dates Coming Up:**

February 20 Voter registration deadline

February 5 to March 4 Early Voting

March 5 Primary Election Polls open 7 am-8 pm

**Not sure which districts you’re in? Find out [HERE](#)**

### **Neva Parker is Running for AD5**

Choose how to volunteer and/or Donate [HERE](#)

### **Sean Frame is Running for AD6**

Choose how to volunteer and/or Donate [HERE](#)

### **Margaret Fortune is Running for Supervisor District 1**

Choose how to volunteer and/or Donate [HERE](#)

### **Kevin McCarty is Running for Supervisor District 2**

Choose how to volunteer and/or Donate [HERE](#)

### **Lexi Boeger is Running for Supervisor District 3**

Choose how to volunteer and/or Donate [HERE](#)

### **From the Frame Campaign:**

#### **Knock on Doors for Sean Frame Saturday or Sunday 10am or 1:30pm Shifts**

**Sean Frame is running for State Assembly in District 6.** Sean will fight to build more affordable housing, ban Wall Street private equity from owning single-family homes, bring back rent control, fund mental health services, and to declare a state of emergency in housing. Join Team Frame and canvass for Sean in Sacramento. Sign up on Mobilize [mobilize.us/seanframeforassembly2024/](https://mobilize.us/seanframeforassembly2024/)

#### **Virtual Phonebank for Sean Frame Weekday Evenings 6pm-8pm**

Make calls from the comfort of your own home. Help elect Sean Frame to the State Assembly. Join us Wednesdays and Thursdays for evening phonebanks. Additional dates and times will be added to the calendar on Mobilize. Sign up at [mobilize.us/seanframeforassembly2024/](https://mobilize.us/seanframeforassembly2024/)

## **For Your Information**

**ARC's Nature Camp registration begins Feb 9. Contact: [nic@ARConservancy.org](mailto:nic@ARConservancy.org)**

**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](mailto:mgeldorado@ucanr.edu)

**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](https://thecenternow.org)  
Crisis Support Line (530)626-1131 or (916)939-6616

# Community Volunteers/ Help Wanted/ Donations Needed

See Election section!

## Websites and Contact Information:

### **Big Brothers/Big Sisters**

Contact: Amber Henrichs

530-626-1222

[amber@mentors4youth.org](mailto:amber@mentors4youth.org)

### **EDC Progressive Alliance**

[edcprogressivealliance@yahoo.com](mailto:edcprogressivealliance@yahoo.com)

### **Democratic Women's Club**

[www.edcdems.org](http://www.edcdems.org)

Contact: Lorraine King

916-220-2872

[Lorraine.king@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Lorraine.king@sbcglobal.net)

### **El Dorado County Democratic Party**

[www.edcdems.org](http://www.edcdems.org)

[info@edcdems.org](mailto:info@edcdems.org)

### **El Dorado Peace & Justice Community**

[www.edpjc.org](http://www.edpjc.org)

[jrmarti2@earthlink.net](mailto:jrmarti2@earthlink.net)

Jim Martin (530) 622-9549

### **El Dorado Progressives**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/287092428352556/>

[eldoradoprogressives@gmail.com](mailto:eldoradoprogressives@gmail.com)

<https://eldoradoprogressives.org/>

### **Friends of EDC Seniors**

[www.friendsofEDCseniors.org](http://www.friendsofEDCseniors.org)

[info@friendsofEDCsenior.org](mailto:info@friendsofEDCsenior.org)

530-334-6090

### **League of Women Voters EDC (nonpartisan)**

[www.lwveldorado.org](http://www.lwveldorado.org)

(530)621-2260

### **Myrtle Tree Arts**

Paul and Ameera Godwin

[myrtletreearts@gmail.com](mailto:myrtletreearts@gmail.com)

### **Sierra Club Madrone Group**

[www.sierraclub.org/mother-lode/madrone](http://www.sierraclub.org/mother-lode/madrone)

[barbara.brydon@comcast.net](mailto: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](http://www.thecenternow.org)

### **United Democrats of El Dorado County**

[www.edcdems.org](http://www.edcdems.org)

Contact: John Savage

[Savage956@hotmail.com](mailto:Savage956@hotmail.com)



## Photo of the Month



**Folsom Lake  
on a Recent  
Birdwatching Outing**  
Currently approx.  
120%/normal level.

Credit: Folsom Lake  
SRA, Instagram

## Flyers

**LWV** LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS®  
OF EL DORADO COUNTY

For further info:  
[LWVeldoradocounty@gmail.com](mailto:LWVeldoradocounty@gmail.com)

**NON-PARTISAN**

**2024 CANDIDATE FORUMS**  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**DISTRICT 3**

*Wednesday*  
**JAN 31**  
**7 PM**

**PLACERVILLE TOWN HALL**  
549 Main Street  
Placerville

**DISTRICT 2**

*Thursday*  
**FEB 8**  
**7 PM**

**CAMERON PARK CSD**  
2502 Country Club Drive  
Cameron Park

**DISTRICT 1**

*Thursday*  
**FEB 15**  
**7 PM**

**EL DORADO HILLS CSD**  
1021 Harvard Way  
El Dorado Hills



# Food Distribution Sites

## Food Bank El Dorado County

### Camino

Camino Adventist Community Services  
3520 Carson Rd  
Wednesdays 9 am - Noon

### Cameron Park

Light of the Hills Lutheran Church  
3100 Rodeo Rd  
1st, 2nd & 3rd Tuesdays 11am - Noon

### El Dorado

El Dorado Community Church  
4701 Church St  
2nd & 4th Fridays 11 am - 2:30 pm

### El Dorado Hills

Hills Church  
800 White Rock Rd  
2nd & 4th Tuesdays 10 am - 11 am

### Garden Valley

House of Prayer  
7901 Hwy 193  
2nd & 4th Wednesdays 11 am - 2 pm

### Placerville

Foothill Indian Education  
100 Forni Rd  
1st & 3rd Fridays 11:30 am - 1 pm

### Placerville

Green Valley Community Church  
3500 Missouri Flat Rd  
Saturdays 8 am - 11 am

### Placerville

Placerville Adventist Community Services  
6831 Mother Lode Rd  
2nd & 4th Wednesdays 9 am - Noon

### Placerville

SHARE Ministries  
1031 Thompson Way  
Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays 10 am - Noon

### Placerville

Upper Room Dining Hall  
1868 Broadway St  
Daily 4 pm - 5 pm

### Pollock Pines

Pollock Pines Community Church  
6361 Pony Express Trl  
2nd & 4th Fridays 11:30 am - 1 pm

### Somerset

Pioneer Bible Church  
6851 Mt Aukum Rd  
2nd & 4th Fridays 1 pm - 2 pm

### South Lake Tahoe

SLT Family Resource Center  
3501 Spruce Ave  
2nd Friday 10 am - 4 pm

### South Lake Tahoe

Phoenix Food Pantry  
2733 Lake Tahoe Blvd  
Wednesdays 10:30 am - Noon

### South Lake Tahoe

St. Theresa's Bread & Broth  
1041 Lyons Ave  
Mondays 4 pm - 5:30 pm

### South Lake Tahoe

Lake Tahoe Community  
Presbyterian Church  
2733 Lake Tahoe Blvd  
Fridays 4 pm - 5 pm

If a friend sent you this calendar and encouraged you to sign up, send an email to the Progressive Alliance to receive it to your inbox! [edcprogressivealliance@yahoo.com](mailto:edcprogressivealliance@yahoo.com)