

# **IVGID PUBLIC WORKS NEWS**

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# PREPARE YOUR HOME: WINTERIZE TO AVOID FROZEN PIPES

As winter nears, it's essential to protect your home from frozen pipes, which can cause costly damage. Before cold weather sets in, shut off your water at the Customer Shut-Off Valve (CSV) if you're leaving town, and keep your thermostat set at 55°F or higher. Detach hoses, drain irrigation systems, and store backflow devices indoors. Ensure your CSV is accessible, and keep your contact information current so we can reach you in an emergency. For more tips and detailed instructions, visit our website.

Shutting down your irrigation system is key to preventing freezing and costly repairs. Turn off and drain the system, and remove your backflow devices to avoid damage from freezing temperatures. Indoors, insulate exposed pipes, and maintain temperatures above 55°F. Knowing where your customer shut-off valve is located is essential in case of a burst pipe.

For a full list of winterization tips and guidance, visit our website. www.yourtahoeplace.com/public-works/water/winterization

IRRIGATION SYSTEM AND INDOOR PREP

## HONORING MADONNA DUNBAR: A LEGACY OF ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

After more than 17 years of service as IVGID's Resource Conservationist and Executive Director of the Tahoe Water Suppliers Association, Madonna Dunbar is stepping into retirement, leaving behind an incredible legacy. One of her most notable achievements is the Drink Tahoe Tap campaign, which not only celebrated the purity of our local water but also significantly reduced plastic waste by promoting reusable

options. Her efforts have been widely recognized, most recently with the Golden Pinecone Lifetime Achievement Award, a testament to her dedication to environmental advocacy and sustainability.

Madonna's passion for conservation has transformed the way our community approaches environmental stewardship. From leading innovative recycling programs to wildlife protection initiatives, she has always strived to make a positive impact on Lake Tahoe.

As she moves on to her next adventure, we honor her contributions and know that her legacy of care and dedication will continue

to inspire future generations to protect and cherish the



natural beauty of our region.

#### SAVE WATER, SAVE MONEY!

UPGRADE TO HIGH-EFFICIENCY
TOILETS OR WASHING
MACHINES AND GET UP TO \$100
OFF YOUR UTILITY BILL.
REBATES ARE STILL
AVAILABLE—APPLY ONLINE!

2024 GOLDEN PINECONE SUSTAINABILITY LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWAR

## **2024 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAM RECAP**

**Events:** 18 special waste collection events held for Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) and Electronic Waste (E-Waste) from Memorial Day through September.

**Participation:** 430 residents from Incline Village and Crystal Bay participated.

**Total Collection:** 16 tons of waste collected, including:

- 5 tons of E-Waste recycled through Intelligent Lifecycle Solutions.
- 4.9 tons of latex paint recycled with Clean Earth
- 250 pounds of lithium-ion batteries recycled with Redwood Materials
- 238 lead acid batteries recycled with Interstate Batteries
- 170 pounds of fluorescent bulbs recycled with Clean Earth

All other hazardous waste materials were disposed of by incineration, treatment or fuel blending.

### **SIGN UP FOR FREE AUTOMATIC PAYMENTS!**

TAKE THE HASSLE OUT OF PAYING YOUR BILLS WITH OUR FREE MONTHLY AUTOMATIC PAYMENT OPTION! YOUR PAYMENT IS AUTOMATICALLY DEDUCTED FROM YOUR CHECKING ACCOUNT ON THE DUE DATE, SO YOU'LL NEVER BE LATE AND NO POSTAGE IS NEEDED. YOU'LL STILL RECEIVE A STATEMENT TO REVIEW YOUR BILL BEFORE PAYMENT.

TO GET STARTED, CONTACT OUR OFFICE OR EMAIL US AT PW@IVGID.ORG.