



Board of Trustees Vacancy: Town of Colma

The Town of Colma is seeking a resident to represent the town on the Board of Trustees for the San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District.

Role and Responsibilities

As a member of the district's Board of Trustees, you would act as a liaison to the town and would assist the district in making decisions that impact public health. You would provide the town council with regular reports about the District and its activities.

As a member of the Board of Trustees, you can be appointed to a two year or four year term. Board meetings are once a month and meet on the second Wednesday each month. The Board does not meet in August. The meetings are held at the District office 1351 Rollins Road, Burlingame, CA. from 6:00 pm to approximately 8:00pm.

Requirements

You must be a resident of and currently registered voter in Colma. You must be at least 21 years old. You do not need any experience in biology or any other health-related sciences to be a valuable member. Trustees bring a variety of skill to the Board. There are Board members with experience in finance, local government, business and other fields. We do ask that you be interested in learning what the district does and sharing that information with your town. It is recommended that Trustees be capable of communicating via email and able to review documents transmitted by email.

Benefits

As a member of the Board of Trustees, you serve as an active participant as the voice of your community. You are instrumental in the enrichment and development for your town regard to public health concerns. You will be compensated with a check for \$100.00 for each monthly meeting, which is in lieu of expenses.

About Us

San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District (SMCMVCD) is an independent, property tax-funded district within San Mateo County. SMCMVCD originally founded to provide mosquito surveillance and control to county residents, expanded over the years to provide yellow jacket nest removal, insect identification, and vector-borne disease surveys to participating county residents. SMCMVCD is also the designated Africanized-honeybee swarm removal agency, pending their arrival.

SMCMVCD is also dedicated to educate the community with presentations to schools and agencies, as well as providing students with opportunities to gain real scientific work experience and skills. We strive to provide quality, personalized vector abatement services. We are continually testing safer, more efficient methods for vector control to better service our community.

District services include, but are not limited to:

- Mosquito inspection and control
- Recommendations on eliminating mosquito breeding sources on residential property
- Insect identification services and information on biology and control of insects
- Yellow jacket nest removal on residential property
- Disease Surveillance such as mosquito-borne encephalitis, West Nile virus, plague, hantavirus and Lyme disease
- Tick identification and information
- Provide mosquito-eating fish for backyard ponds, pools and fountains (free to district residents)
- Presentations and displays to local schools, libraries, fairs, and civic groups for community education

If you would like to serve on the district's Board of Trustees, please contact Brian Dossey, Administrative Services Director at (650) 985-5690 or bdossey@colma.ca.gov for additional information or an application. Applications may also be filled out online at www.colma.ca.gov. and are due by **November 17, 2017**.