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# Joshua Bowens resigns from Sudden Valley Board

### Candidates to fill opening on board of directors may submit application by Jan. 22

**By Bill Helm** Editor

SUDDEN VALLEY — Joshua Bowens has resigned from the Sudden Valley Community Asso-

ciation Board of Directors.

At the board's Dec. 14 meeting, Keith McLean, the board's president, announced Bowens' resignation and directed Nominations and Elections Committee Chair Rob

Gibbs to begin the process of soliciting candidates for the vacancy.

Bowens, who sent his resignation to the board via email on Dec. 7, told the *Sudden Valley Views* the following:

"I don't feel good about the direction this board is taking the community, and the direction I feel they will further take down the road. It's not something I see myself being a part of." "I honestly just want to put this past me and get on with my life," Bowens said.

Bowens did not offer specifics on the board's direction. However he said that he "did send a follow up email to Keith McLean after I resigned, but that email contains some information from a closed session."

On Dec. 14, the Sudden Valley Board spent two hours and 20 minutes in closed session. Information presented in closed session is not available to the public, nor the press.

When asked about reasons for Bowens' resignation, McLean told the *Sudden Valley Views* that it "is not our policy to provide a reason for a director's resignation as it can be personal in nature."

Any Sudden Valley member who is interested in serving on Sudden Valley's board of directors should submit a Board Application and Disclosure Statement Form, which is available as a PDF at http://suddenvalley.com/wp-content/uploads/Candidate-Application-and-Disclosure-Forms.pdf.

Paper application forms can also be picked up at the Administration Offices at the Welcome

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Joshua Bowens

# SVCA makes plans to rekey facilities

Approves additional \$6,500 allocation on \$25K project approved in 2022; project incomplete due to 'staff turnover and other priorities'

By Bill Helm

SUDDEN VALLEY — On June 7, 2022, the Sudden Valley Community Association Board of Directors approved a capital request to spend as much as \$25,000 for A-1 Mobile Lock & Key to replace door locks on SVCA facilities.

Because of "staff turnover and other priorities, this project was delayed and remains incomplete," according to the board's Dec. 14 agenda.

On Dec. 14, the SVCA Board unanimously approved an additional \$6,494 allocation from Capital Repair and Replacement Reserve Fund (CRRRF) to rekey the association's facilities.

The original project consists of replacing 130 key cylinders, providing 11 new keyed doorknobs, and other needed components.

In a Dec. 14 capital request memo from Maintenance & Facilities Manager Mike Brock to the SVCA board, a recent survey identified Accurate Lock & Security as the vendor who "can complete the project for approximately the same dollar amount that was quoted in 2022."

In his memo, Brock also explained that the 2022 request "did not account for sales tax."

"It is anticipated that an additional 10 padlocks, plus spares, will be needed that were not identified in the survey," Brock wrote.

Following approval, the board also authorized SVCA General Manager Jo Anne Jensen to execute a \$27,150 standard construction contract with Accurate Lock and Security, and that Brock be approved to administer change order funds up to \$4,344.

Also on Dec. 14, the board unanimously approved the general manager to sign a five-year lease with Peak Golf & Utility for 10 new Club Car gas powered golf carts for \$16,320 annually, or \$81,600 over the course of five years.

In a Nov. 8 memo to the board, Brian Kruhlak, SVCA director of golf, wrote that demand "for golf in general and cart golf in particular has risen dramatically over the past three golf seasons."

"There are many days in the summer months when we run out of carts as early as 10:30 a.m.," Kruhlak wrote to the board. "This has occurred over the past two golf seasons and there is no indication that this higher demand for golf cart usage will subside."

In 2021 SVCA replaced its fleet of 50 carts with 50 new Club Car Tempo gas golf

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# What does the Architectural Control Committee do?

The founders of Sudden Valley included a provision in the original Articles of Incorporation of the Association to ensure that the beauty of the built environment would be preserved.

That provision has been implemented through the Architectural Control Committee (ACC) and the ACC policies approved by the Board of Directors.

The ACC committee is comprised of volunteers from the community who spend countless hours working to maintain aesthetic standards so that all residents can continue to enjoy the beauty that is Sudden Valley.

The ACC is responsible for reviewing requests to make exterior modifications to properties.

These changes include general landscaping, exterior paint, sheds, adding or replacing your patio, roof, skylight, deck, generator, heat pump, playground equipment, gutters, windows, or anything else that changes the exterior of the property.

The Committee usually meets on the first and the third Thursdays of each month.

Applicable request forms are available at SuddenValley.com under the Commonly Requested Forms tab, in the Architectural Control section.

Printed forms are available at the Welcome Center located at 1850 Lake Whatcom Blvd., which is the first right after entering Gate

To have time to assemble the agenda and time for the ACC to visit properties, the deadline for submitting requests is 12:00 PM (noon), one week before each meeting.

ACC forms include

the Exterior Alteration Request, Fence Request, Variance Request, and the Tree/Vegetation Limbing and Removal Request.

Over the next few months, information about each of these forms will be shared.

This month, we will start with the Exterior Alteration Request.

This form is used for most exterior changes, except for fences, trees, and variances.

Including all the details requested by the form helps the ACC to envision your project.

When the committee members visit your property, this will give them a clearer understanding of the project scope.

If applicable, cordon off the area showing the location of your project.

For example, if you are extending your deck, mark the extended area outline using a rope or

stakes to show the projected size of the new deck.

Please note that likefor-like replacements may be reviewed and approved by the General Manager and bypass review by the ACC.

Examples include projects with the same or similar material and color: roof replacement, deck replacement, patio replacement, gutter replacement, window replacement, retaining wall replacement, foundation replacement, and exterior paint, including repainting with pre-approved Sudden Valley colors.

Next month we will share information about Fence and Variance requests.

Please contact ACC Administration with any questions either via email at accadmin@ suddenvalley.com or by phone at 360-734-6430, ext. 223.

# Professional tips for filling out the Exterior Alteration Request form:

- Review the Architectural Control Policies regarding your project. The policies are available on the SVCA website under the Resident Resources tab, under the Governing Documents tab, under the Board Resolutions, Rules & Regulations section.
- Fill in all the blanks. ACC Administration can look up the Division and Lot, if needed.
  - Check the appropriate boxes in the left column.
- Include photos and illustrations in the empty square hox
  - Include a description of your project's purpose, materials (include manufacturer), colors, exact dimensions and details of the plan. Include bids or subcontractor plans, if applicable.
- Email the completed request to accadmin@suddenvalley.com or drop it off at the Welcome Center. After hours, drop the request into the outside payment drop box.



# SVCA office expands hours

Beginning on Jan. 8, SVCA's Administrative Office will be open from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. "By opening 30 minutes earlier and closing 30 minutes later, we hope to make it more convenient for residents who work outside the community to access services," says GM Jo Anne Jensen.

Residents can also get in touch with Administration by phone, at 360-734-6430, or via email at Office@SuddenValley.com.

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### **SVCA:** Makes plans to rekey

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carts. The board's approval will increase the total of golf carts to 60. Conversely, golf cart revenue in 2022 increased from \$163.1K the previous year to \$191.2K. As of the Nov. 8 memo, projected golf cart revenue for 2023 would be \$229.6K

On Dec. 7, the SVCA board appointed Jean Maixner to the document review committee, Ray Meador and Karen Borchert to the Nominations and Elections Committee, and Borchert, Rob

Gibbs, Mary Quinn and Heather Goodman to the finance committee.

The Sudden Valley Board of Directors meets at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 4 Clubhouse Circle.

Agendas and minutes are available at suddenvalley.com, as are video recordings of past meetings.

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# Tree of lights illuminates Community Center green

In December, the Sudden Valley community celebrated the season with SVCA's inaugural Tree Lighting event. The 20-foot tree of lights illuminated the green next to the Community Center with a warm glow, fostering a sense of togetherness among the residents who attended.

While Whatcom County experienced near record rainfall, we are grateful that higher temperatures meant that we did not have to plow or sand the roads.

### Administration Activity Summary

- Supported Tree Lighting
- Supported formation of new
- Updated website with 2024 dates and information.
- Onboarded new HelpDesk
- Managed through many staff absences due to seasonal colds and flu.

### Successes

committees.

• Made Ice Melt available at the Welcome Center.

#### **Planned Work**

- $\bullet$  Continued work on website.
- Selection of ticketing system oftware.

### Accounting Activity Summary

- Continued routine work to maintain monthly financial schedule; October financials completed.
- Began year-end closing procedures.

Successes

• On track to close out the year with an operational surplus.

#### **Planned Work**

- Input approved 2024 budget.
- Establish new 2024 dues billing codes.

### Maintenance

### **Activity Summary**

- SVCA streets were swept.Repaired swing at Gate 5
- Park.
- The streetlight at Gate 5 entrance was repaired.
- Repaired Mutt Mitt box along Lake Louise Trail and restocked.
- Removed two trees that were leaning over Deer Run Lane.
- Cleaned out the old Admin office and repaired and painted walls
- Replaced road closed barricade on Southern Court.
- Installed flagpole at Rec Center.
- Installed reflective markers adjacent to road hazards for our snowplow operators.
- Continued drainage improvement work.

### Successes

• Temporary office is setup and power connected.

### **Planned Work**

- Install studded snow tires on OP-24.
- Connect internet to tempo-
- rary office trailer.

   Move offices and break room out of maintenance build-
- ing into temporary space.

   Cleanout maintenance building for contractor to start

remodel

• Remove unsafe sauna from Adult Center, remove decking and assess for water damage.

### Recreation

### **Activity Summary**

- Uploading of waivers into access card system is 25% complete.
- Multiple single day rentals coming up for various events.
- Created a new rental facility application.
- Completed a seven-week observation of the sunshine room and Fitness Center sauna usage, will be expanding usage observation to all Community center rooms starting in January.

### Successes

• A continued increase in the number of users at the fitness center.

### **Planned Work**

- Clean out and organize the Dance Barn media closet.
- Converting an unused room into a staff break room & organized storage room.

### Golf

### Activity Summary

- Hosted fourth winter series event with 144 players.
- Secured board approval for the purchase of 10 additional golf carts.
- Addressed drainage concerns on the 9th green.
- Obtained quotes for new range mats to enhance golf facilities.
- Handled issues arising from an attempted theft in the far back storage room.
- Hosted Christmas Balloon

Sale in golf shop.

- Collaborated with the Golf Club Captain to order new plates for golf hallway plaques.
- Ordered and received new netting for back of driving range. Set to be installed in early January.
- Met with Women's Club Captain regarding their 2024 schedule.

### Successes

• November was another record month of revenue.

#### **Planned Work**

- Complete the process of moving the deferred revenue from 2023 to 2024 in our POS system.
- Promote upcoming Winter Series event.
- Continue the process of re-booking 2023 outings for 2024.

### Turfcare Activity Summary

- Extensive work with excavator over the past 4 weeks.
- Blackberry mowing throughout the course.
- Large tree stump removal throughout the course.
- 200-plus feet of improved

drainage between No. 2, No. 3 and No. 5 holes.

- Removal of old driving range netting and steel stakes.
- Loading and shuttling sand
- for four new forward tee boxes.Began construction of four
- forward gold tee boxes

   Sand trap edging continues
- through fall/winter.

   Needle tine aerating of
- putting greens to improve water infiltration and gas exchange.
- Removed and prepped area behind driving range for replacement netting install.
- Rainfall accumulation from November 1 to December 26, 15.37"

### **Successes**

• All planned work on track.

### **Planned Work**

- Fairway aerating and sand topdressing to continue.
- Final grading of new forward tee boxes and prep for sod install.
- Extensive drainage flushing and repair throughout the course to continue.
- Turf equipment seasonal teardown.



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No online forms will be accepted.

Deadline to submit an appli-

cation for Sudden Valley's board of directors is 4:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 22. Candidate interviews will take place at the board's Jan. 25 meeting at the Dance Barn. The board is expected to name Bowens' replacement during the meeting.

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### Kokanee in Austin Creek?

Editor.

A new Kokanee discovery in Austin Creek is exciting. Austin Creek is the only significant Lake Whatcom watershed creek without a Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) kokanee salmon listing.

WDFW lists resident kokanee in Carpenter, Olsen, Smith, Anderson, Fir and Brannian creeks. Austin Creek could be added to the kokanee list through WDFW's website.

The WDFW SalmonScape website page  $\,$ 

includes a state-wide interactive map showing where salmon are found. The WDFW SalmonScape page link is https://apps.wdfw.wa.gov/salmonscape/map.html.

Open the map page, select Kokanee from the Fish Distribution list and find the highlighted kokanee streams. Click on a highlighted stream. Additional information pops up.

Map Help is found by clicking the? button at the upper right corner of the map.
One of the Help selections is a Feedback option.

Under the Feedback option is a link

to Report an Issue with Content or a Bug. The Report an Issue with Content section provides an email link for reporting errors or additions to the WDFW data.

Kokanee discoveries can be reported to the WDFW using the SalmonScape@ dfw.a.gov email link provided. A current photograph, location, date and

A current photograph, location, date and time of day kokanee were spotted in Austin Creek would be a big help for the WDFW and make a nice submission to the Sudden Valley Views for publication.

Nancy Alyanak
Sudden Valley

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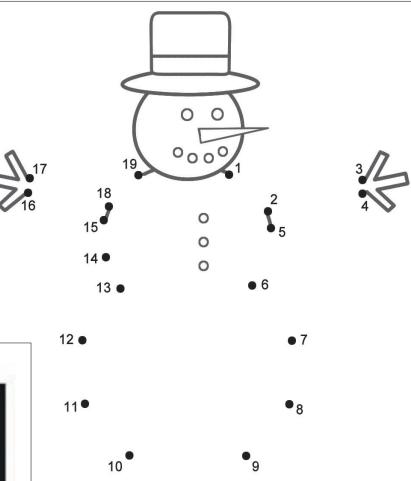
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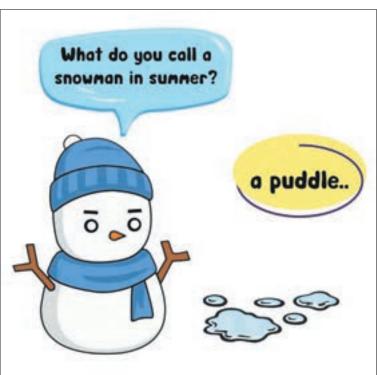


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# Breakfast with Santa returns to Sudden Valley

Community celebrates holiday season





By Linda Bradley SVCA Board Secretary

On Saturday, Dec. 9, the Sudden Valley community was treated to two holiday events: Breakfast with Santa, and its inaugural tree lighting event.

Saturday morning Breakfast with Santa returned to El Agave. The entire event was free to all thanks to the sponsors El Agave 2 and Sudden Valley RE/MAX,

Best Bellingham Homes, and The Weitzel Home Team. A delicious breakfast was served as well as pictures with Santa and craft activities for the children.

Thank you to organizers Karen Jarvis Bochert, the Weitzel Home Team, and Carmen Andrew. Thank you to RE/MAX for hiring Maria Mola Photography, mariamolaphotography.com.

Thank you to Scott Walsh, our ever popular Santa, Mrs. Claus was under the weather, but Elf on the Shelf Weitzel was in attendance to help.

Thank you to CTK Sudden Valley, Valley Arts Group and the South Whatcom Library for sponsoring craft tables. Thank you to the numerous community volunteers, including several members of the Board who helped set up and bus the tables to keep things running smoothly in the dining

This great event wouldn't have been possible without the countless volunteers and donors. More than 500 were served compared to approximately 450 served last year.

The Toys for Tots box was full to overflowing from the generosity of the members. As a director of the board, I am proud to have helped with this wonderful event and recognize those who worked so hard behind the scenes to provide such a wonderful event.



On Dec. 9, the Sudden Valley community celebrated the annual Breakfast with Santa event. Hosted by El Agave, people left with treasure boxes, homemade snowflakes and wreaths, and candy canes. Thank you for all who brought donations for Toys for Tots. A big thank you to El Agave ... Cruz, his family and employees for hosting this great event and to The Weitzel Home Team for providing the photographer and digital Santa photos. Thank you to Friends of the South Whatcom Library, Valley Arts Group and CTK Sudden Valley for providing all the craft tables and Thank You to the many volunteers, including Santa himself, who made the event so seamless. Thanks to all the volunteers and organizations that contributed time, talents, funds and supplies to keep this beloved free holiday event going. (Karen Borchert/Sudden Valley)

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# SVCA celebrates Christmas with tree lighting

By Linda Bradley SVCA Board Secretary

On Dec. 9, Sudden Valley hosted its inaugural tree lighting event on the green adjacent to the Community Center. The weather wasn't cooperating, and it was raining and windy. That didn't dampen the spirits of the many who attended the event as a beautiful tree of lights took center stage, setting a cheerful holiday mood.

At 5 p.m., Sudden Valley membership turned out to witness the lighting. The car parade was canceled due to the inclement weather but we are hoping to have one next year.

After the lighting, coffee, cocoa, juice, and cookies were served in the Dance Barn to help warm everyone up. Considering the weather, we had an excellent turnout to enjoy the decorations

Several board members and staff helped decorate the Dance Barn and serve the refreshments. The board provided cookies for the event.

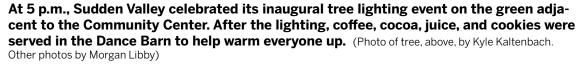
It was great to see the community coming together in the spirit of the season and we hope that this festive event will become a cherished tradition.

-- Jo Anne Jensen contributed to this report











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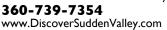
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### SUDDEN VALLEY VIEWS

### **Sudden Valley Community Association** Reserve Cash Balance & Activity 10 Months Actual, 2 Months Projected

UNAUDITED

**Dues Received** 

Sale of Assets

2 Month Outlook

Investment Income

Mitigation Assignment

2023 Expenditures

Transfers/Return of Funds

Net Available Cash at 10/31/2023

Outlook - Prior Year Collections

CRRRF Loan Payments for year 2023

Net Usable Cash Balance 12/31/2023

Obligated Expenses/Holdings

Outlook - 2023 Dues (95% collections)

Net Available Cash 12/31/2022

Storm Water Mitigation Plan Fee

Capital Reserve Funds **Operating Reserve Funds CRRRF Capital** Mitigation **Reserve Holding Board Density** Assignment of **Total Capital Total Operating** Savings\* CRRRF Cash Reduction Mailbox Reserve Funds **Emergency Ops** UDR Reserve Funds 3,236,221 2,560,947 262,193 87,552 101,061 53,621 361,096 223,385 584,481 1,119,638 1,155,143 20,831 2,295,613 103,930 103,930 500 500 10,138 1,557 13,963 529 99 273 216 25,219 884 673 (92,535) 97,535 (5,000)9,856 9,856 (686,521) (1,557,073) (14,245) (14,245) (50,726)(2,294,320) 2,077,120 3,678,301 221,852 87,652 122,165 151,372 6,338,462 361,980 313,743 675,723 214,276 220,388 3,976 438,640 5,923 3,397 63 6,957 5,923 (55,507) (55,507) (1,781,484)(329,236) (221,852) (151,372) (2,483,944) (15,068)(15,068)2,058,983 1,971,766 87,655 126,204 4,244,609 361,980 304,599 666,578 Board Recommended Carryover Balance (600,000) (500,000) (1,100,000 Net Usable Cash 12/31/2023, After Recommendation 666,578 1,458,983 1,471,766 87,655 126,204 3,144,609 361,980 304,599 Net Current Year Cash Increase (Decrease) (2,056,986 81,214 82,097

### **Balance Sheet**

October 31, 2023 a	ma Dec	ember 31, 202				
		Unaudited**		See Note**		
OPERATIONS		Oct 31, 2023		Dec 31, 2022		Inc / (Dec
Current Assets						
Operating Cash	Ś	668,300	Ś	490,351	S	177,949
Building Completion Deposit Fund		543,577		492,620	*	50,95
Member Receivables - Operations*				46,750		(46,750
Other Receivables		17,548		8,288		9,260
Prepaid Expenses		89,878		81,738		8,14
Operating Lease ROU Assets		6,111		11,441		(5,33)
Inventory		7,061		6,200		86
Total Current Assets		1,332,475		1,137,388		195,08
Current Liabilities						
Accounts Payable		(96,708)		(243,246)		146,53
Accrued Vacation Liability		(75,361)		(61,576)		(13,78
Accrued Payroll				(54,127)		54,12
Prepaid Assessments		(239,331)		(181,106)		(58,22
Building Completion Deposits		(543,577)		(492,620)		(50,95)
Other Refundable Deposits		(5,596)		(4,916)		(68)
Operating Lease Liability		(6,111)		(11,441)		5,33
Prepaid Golf Memberships		(3,468)		(153,151)		149,68
Total Current Liabilities		(970,152)		(1,202,183)		232,03
Operating Reserve Funds						
Emergency Operating Cash		361,980		361,096		88
Undesignated Reserves Cash		313,743		223,385		90,35
<b>Total Operating Reserve Funds</b>		675,723		584,481		91,24
Net Operating Assets	\$	1,038,046	\$	519,686	\$	518,36
CRRRF (Capital Repair & Replacement) Cash Fund Roads Reserve Cash Fund		3,678,301 2,077,120		3,236,221 2,560,947		442,08
Board Density Reduction Cash Fund		87,652		87,552		10
Mailbox Cash Fund		122,165		101,061		21,10
CRRRF Capital Reserve Holding Cash		221,852		262,193		(40,34
Mitigation Assignment of Savings Cash		49,660		44,545		5,11
LWWSD Assignment of Savings Cash		101,712		9,076		92,63
Member Receivables - Capital**		101,712		19,262		(19,26
Total Capital Current Assets		6,338,462		6,320,857		17,60
Capital Fixed Assets						
Fixed Assets		15,115,096		14,110,234		1,004,86
Finance ROU Assets		149,431		214,266		(64,83
Lots Held for Sale		228,041		228,041		
Total Conital Access		15,492,568		14,552,541		940,02
Total Capital Assets						
Long Term Liabilities						
Long Term Liabilities CRRRF Loan 2022		(1,835,316)		(2,049,012)		
Long Term Liabilities CRRRF Loan 2022 Finance Leases		(116,736)		(166,357)		49,62
Long Term Liabilities CRRRF Loan 2022						49,62
Long Term Liabilities CRRRF Loan 2022 Finance Leases	\$	(116,736)	5	(166,357)		49,62 263,31
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\*The Association's internal policy is to write off any member receivables that are 30 days past due as bad debts for internal financial statement purposes. As per SVCA policy, Management continues to pursue collection of these receivables via all avenues allowed by Washington State laws. In addition, the Association records and bills finance charges on receivables that are thirty days past due at 1% per month. At October 31, 2023, and December 31, 2022, the balances of receivables written off were \$684,143 and \$599,478, respectively.

\*\* Beginning with the 2020 year end audited financial statements, Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 606 requires issue audited financial statements to reclassify unspent capital dues revenue, including related capital transfer fee collections, as a contract liability balance (unearned revenue), which is then reversed out in future years when capital dues/capital transfer fee collections are actually expended on capital related expenditures. This particular accounting standard change is only incorporated into the issued audited financial statements and is not factored into SVCA's internal monthly statements as it would obscure the reality of monthly capital dues/capital transfee fee revenues collected for internal monthly presentation purposes. See SVCA's 2020, 2021, and 2022 audited financial statements [2022 represents the most recently issued audited statements), which fully incorporate ASC 606 and comply with Generally Accepted Accounting Principals (GAAP).

#### Sudden Valley Community Association Income Statement Summary

UNAUDITED	Cur	rent Month - October 2	2023	Year to Date - 10 Months Ending 10/31/2023				
	Operations & Operating	Operations Better / (Worse)	Capital	Operations & Operating	Operations Better / (Worse)			
REVENUE	Reserves	Budget	Reserves**	Reserves	Budget Coll %	Capital Reserves**		
Current Year Dues & Assessments Income								
Dues & Assessments Income	210,720		232,543	1,947,256		2,310,802		
Bad Debt Reserve	1,171		927	(41,679)		(40,299		
Net Current Year Assessment Income	211,891	13,372	233,470	1,905,577	60,968 97.9%			
Special Ops Assmt Income- Rec/ Pools/ Parks								
Dues & Assessments Income	85			182,249				
Bad Debt Reserve	1.331			2,826				
Net Special Ops Assmt Income	1,416	1,417		185,075	12,703			
Bad Debt Recoveries - Prior Years	2,120	2,127	5,343	200,010	22,7-00	37,671		
Golf Income	60,837	3,488	5,343	1,395,101	304,633	37,671		
	60,837	3,466		182,329	19,251			
Marina Income Rec Center & Pools Income	387	195		23,214				
	387	195		23,214	(2,561)			
Legal & Collections Income Other Income	8,704	1,870		120,365	47,477	- 1		
Rental Income - Other	339	72		12,948	7,782			
Area Z Rental Income	3,974	1,974		20,858	858			
Lease Income								
New Home Construction Fees	6,640	3,136		42,013 54,670	6,976	500		
Capital Gain (Loss) on Sale of Assets				54,670	(20,330)	500		
Investment Income	815	728	3,982	3,676	2,801	25,219		
Total Revenue	295,003	26,252	242,795	3,945,826	440,558	2,333,894		
Total Nevertue	233,003	20,232		3,545,020	440,330	2,333,034		
EXPENSES								
Salaries & Benefits	158,927	40,592	(79)	1,676,559	274,547	(79		
Contracted & Professional Services	1,472	13,100		222,024	(89,619)			
CC&Rs/ Mandates	51,148	(22,718)	-	408,991	(115,503)			
Maintenance & Landscaping	49,757	(18,661)	-	373,550	(14,145)			
Utilities	22,464	1,691		173,177	(11,427)			
Administrative	12,963	(2,760)		169,773	(40,726)			
Regulatory Compliance	25,896	(10,679)		227,169	(58,186)	240		
Insurance Premiums	15,809	(2,632)		147,052	(15,281)			
Other Expenses		83		-	833			
Depreciation Expense	-		98,557	-		1,009,829		
Interest expense		-	6,745		-	69,500		
Total Expenses	338,436	(1,984)	105,223	3,398,295	(69,507)	1,079,490		
Net Income (Loss)	(43,433)	24,268	137,572	547,531	371,051	1,254,404		
Net UDR Activity for Operations								
Firewise Hazardous Tree Removal	(92)			(23,769)				
Net Income (Loss) with Board Approved UDR	(43,525)	24,268	137,572	523,762	371,051	1,254,404		
Other Activity								
Net Other UDR Activity*	13,164			81,809				
AR Accrual - Prior Year Reversal	-			(46,750)		(19,262		
AR Accrual - Current Year								
Vacation Liability Accrual	1,168			(13,784)				
Total Other Activity	14,332			21,275		(19,262		
Grand Total Activity	(29,193)	24,268	137,572	545,037	371,051	1,235,142		

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<sup>\*</sup>Note, when mitigation period has ended, unspent funds will be returned to the source account, Roads and CRRRF.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Refer to the last footnote on the Balance Sheet (prior page) for a discussion of Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 606 and capital dues revenue collections

### **FINANCIALS**

Sudden Valley Community Association Operations - By Department October 1, 2023 to October 31, 2023

Whole\$

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Common Cots									6,035
Rec  Pools  Parks   9,514   4,762   - 3,676   25,493   11,031   (15,079)				32,298	4,968				14,114
Maintenance		,							(15,416)
Subtotal 19,032 7,367 85,490 24,307 136,269 (49,822) (202,727) [15] Golf 60,837 3,488 62,24 9,483 33,014 (3,885) (34,421) 19 Marina 16 16 16 848 1,982 (832) 1  Subtotal 79,885 10,871 147,714 33,790 170,151 (51,675) (237,980) (7  Recf Pools/ Parks Special Assmt Earned 85 Curr Y Bad Debts Activity 1,331 Net Special Assmt Bues 1,416 1,417 Subtotal Geperations before Ops Dues 83,110 12,878 158,927 40,592 179,507 (42,574) (255,324) 10  Ops Dues Earned 210,720 Curr Y Bad Debts Activity 1,171 Net Operations 295,001 26,250 158,927 40,592 179,507 (42,574) (43,433) 24,  Net BOD Approved UDR Activity for Operations Firewise Hazardous Tree Removal Processing Activity 15,190  Other Operating Activity Order of the Courred Forms 15,190 Total Other Operating Activity Graphars 15,190 Total Other Operating Activity 15,190 Total O		9,514							(5,593)
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Special Assmt Earned   85   Curr Yr Bad Debts Activity   1,331	Subtotal	79,885	10,871	147,714	33,790	170,151	(51,675)	(237,980)	(7,014)
Curr Yr Bad Debts Activity	Rec/ Pools/ Parks								
Net Special Assmt Dues	Special Assmt Earned	85						85	
Rec   Pools   Parks   1,809   590   11,213   6,802   9,356   9,101   (18,760)   16	Curr Yr Bad Debts Activity	1,331						1,331	
Subtotal Rec/ Pools/ Parks   3,225   2,007   11,213   6,802   9,356   9,101   (17,344)   17	Net Special Assmt Dues	1,416	1,417					1,416	1,417
Subtotal Rec/ Pools/ Parks   3,225   2,007   11,213   6,802   9,356   9,101   (17,344)   17	Rec/ Pools/ Parks	1,809	590	11,213	6,802	9,356	9,101	(18,760)	16,493
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Firewise   -	Net Operations	295,001	26,250	158,927	40,592	179,507	(42,574)	(43,433)	24,268
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Other Operating Activity           UDR Activity         15,190         2,026         13,164           AR Accrual - Prior Year Reversal         -         -         -           AR Accrual - Current Year         -         -         -           Vacation Liability Accrual         -         (1,168)         1,168           Total Other Operating Activity         15,190         858         14,332	Hazardous Tree Removal	-		-		-		-	
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AR Accrual - Current Year		15,150				2,020		13,104	
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# Sudden Valley supports Toys for Tots

\* Excludes Depreciation

B / (W) = Better / (Worse) Than Budget

In Sudden Valley, it has been a longstanding tradition to gather donations for Toys for Tots throughout the month of November. Multiple donation collection points were established, including one at the Trunk or Treat event. As a result, we successfully delivered three boxes filled with new, unwrapped toys to help spread Christmas joy to children in Whatcom County.



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### **FINANCIALS**

Sudden Valley Community Association Operations - By Department January 1, 2023 to October 31, 2023 YEAR TO DATE

Whole\$

UNAUDITED	Actual	Revenue	Actual Salary	Salary & Benefits	Actual Other	Other Exp	Net Income /	Net
<u>Department</u>	Revenue	B/(W)	Benefits	B / (W)	Expense *	B/(W)*	(Loss) *	B / (W)*
ACC / Security	60,579	(16,838)	-	75,852	388,795	(124,937)	(328,216)	(65,923)
Accounting	25,018	(10,982)	275,257	1,026	73,983	(16,031)	(324,222)	(25,987)
Administration	9,071	7,654	265,794	128,738	148,284	(56,799)	(405,007)	79,593
Common Costs	77,682	48,474		-	359,852	(67,589)	(282,170)	(19,115)
Facilities	52,772	5,252	7,364	31,386	168,357	(30,966)	(122,949)	5,672
Maintenance		(833)	242,514	(6,426)	83,472	17,785	(325,986)	10,526
Subtotal	225,122	32,727	790,929	230,576	1,222,743	(278,537)	(1,788,550)	(15,234)
Golf	1,395,101	304,633	650,199	20,103	352,618	(61,691)	392,284	263,045
Marina	188,691	21,807	(1)	1	10,369	9,170	178,323	30,978
Subtotal	1,808,914	359,167	1,441,127	250,680	1,585,730	(331,058)	(1,217,943)	278,789
Rec/ Pools/ Parks								
Special Assmt Earned	182,249						182,249	
Curr Yr Bad Debts Activity	2,826						2,826	
Net Special Assmt Dues	185,075	12,703					185,075	12,703
Rec/ Pools/ Parks	46,263	7,721	235,432	23,867	136,009	(12,997)	(325,178)	18,591
Subtotal Rec/ Pools/ Parks	231,338	20,424	235,432	23,867	136,009	(12,997)	(140,103)	31,294
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Subtotal Operations before Ops Dues	2,040,252	379,591	1,676,559	274,547	1,721,739	(344,055)	(1,358,046)	310,083
Ops Dues Earned	1,947,256						1,947,256	
Curr Yr Bad Debts Activity	(41,679)						(41,679)	
Net Ops Dues	1,905,577	60,968					1,905,577	60,968
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Net Operations	3,945,829	440,559	1,676,559	274,547	1,721,739	(344,055)	547,531	371,051
Net BOD Approved UDR Activity for Operations								
Firewise					23,769		(23,769)	
Hazardous Tree Removal			-		-		-	
Net Operations with Board Approved UDR	3,945,829	440,559	1,676,559	274,547	1,745,508	(344,055)	523,762	371,051
Other Operating Activity								
UDR Activity	91,717				9,908		81,809	
AR Accrual - Prior Year Reversal	(46,750)				-		(46,750)	
AR Accrual - Current Year	-				-		-	
Vacation Liability Accrual					13,784		(13,784)	
Total Other Operating Activity	44,967				23,692		21,275	
Grand Total Operations Activity	3,990,796	440,559	1,676,559	274,547	1,769,200	(344,055)	545,037	371,051
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Winner of the Washington State Book Award for creative

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ACC - Architectural Control

Committee

AGM - Annual General Meeting

BOD - Board of Directors

BMP - Best Management Practices CC&Rs - Covenants, Conditions

& Restrictions

CIP - Capital Improvement Plan CRRRF - Capital Repair and Replacement

Reserve Fund

CTK - Christ the King Church DNR - Washington State Department of Natural

Resources

DOE - Washington State Department of Ecology

DRC - Document Review Committee

EIS - Emergency Information System

FTE - Full Time Employees

GIS - Geographic Information System

GM - Sudden Valley's General

Manager

GMA - Growth Management Act

HOA - Homeowner's Association LAMIRD - Limited Areas of More Intensive

Rural Development

LRPC - Long Range Planning Committee LWPG - Lake Whatcom Policy Group

LWWSD - Lake Whatcom Water & Sewer District

MOU - Memorandum of Understanding

MPR - Multi-Purpose Room

N&E - Nominations and Elections NPDES- National Pollutant Discharge Elimina-

tion System

**OPS - Operations** 

PSE - Puget Sound Energy PUD - Planned Unit Development

RCW - Revised Code of Washington

REC - Parks & Recreation Department RFP - Request for Proposals

RFQ - Request for Qualifications

ROW - Right-of-Way

SGM - Special General Meeting

SOP - Standard Operating Procedure

SVCA - Sudden Valley Community Association

UDR - Undesignated Reserves

WCLS - Whatcom County Library System WCOG - Whatcom Council of Governments

WCSO - Whatcom County Sheriff's Office WDFW - Washington State Department of Fish

and Wildlife

WTA - Whatcom Transportation Authority WUCIOA - RCW 64.90 - The WA Uniform Com-

mon Interest Ownership Act

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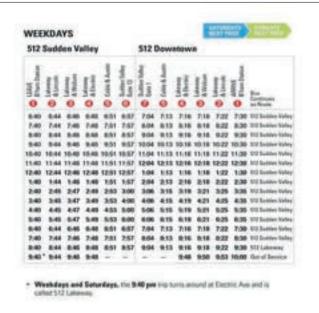
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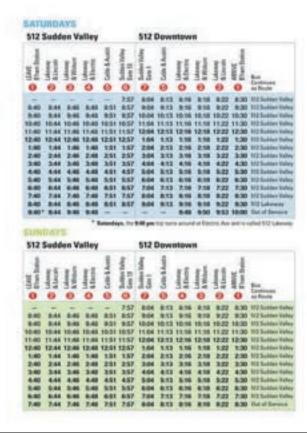




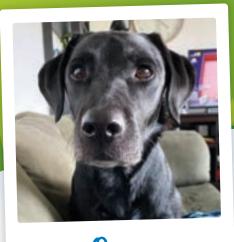
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Onyx



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- Board of Directors Architectural Control Committee (ACC)
- Document Review Committee
- Finance Committee
- Long-Range Planning Committee
- Nominations & Elections Committee
- **Appeals Committee**

Looking for Sudden Valley news and updates? Learn more through the following outlets:

### Online: SuddenValley.com

This website is updated regularly with news, SVCA staff reports, and announcements as well as current meeting minutes, rules and regulations, and much more.

### Social Media: Facebook & YouTube

Find the Sudden Valley Community Association on YouTube, where SVCA meetings of the Board of Directors and Committees are regularly posted, and Facebook for weekly announcements.

### E-Mail: Sudden Valley Community Association e-Blast

Sign up for our e-blast to receive community event and other important updates delivered directly to your inbox.

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