

# Water and sewer district serving the greater birch bay area since 1968

# **CAP Donation - Helping Others in Birch Bay**

Each year, many District customers receive help from the Community Assistance Program of Blaine, which provides financial assistance to individuals and families facing utility termination. The Community Assistance Program (CAP) of Blaine is a collaboration of volunteers, civic organizations, and churches in North Whatcom County. Some of the people the CAP helps live right here in Birch Bay. "In 2013, CAP provided assistance to 49 Birch Bay Water & Sewer District (BBWSD) clients in the amount of \$6,244" said Jerry Williams, CAP's Executive Director.

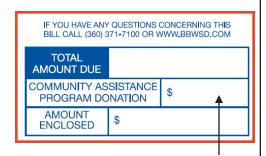
Earlier this year, the BBWSD Board of Commissioners passed a resolution to allow the District, through its billing system, to accept voluntary customer donations. "District customers will notice their bills now have a place to indicate a CAP donation. We want to make it easy for our customers to give to the CAP utility assistance" said District Finance Director, Sandi McMillan. Customers using the Auto-Pay program can contact the BBWSD office to have a reoccurring donation added to their bill. The District then places that designated amount, in accordance with state law (RCW 57.46), in the CAP fund. On a quarterly basis, the CAP reports back to the District with the number of clients served and the amount of monies used. All monies go directly toward customer utility payments so nothing is used for administration.

The District looks forward to continuing work with the CAP to help customers in need of assistance



MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: BIRCH BAY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT 7096 POINT WHITEHORN ROAD BIRCH BAY, WA 98230-9675

ACCOUNT NUMBER	BILLING DATE	DUE DATE		



Customers can make a donation to the Community Assistance
Program Donation in the upper right hand corner of their utility bill.

## **August is Leak Detection Month**

The District would like to remind its customers that August is designated as Leak Detection Month. Leak detection and repair inside the house is often very easy and simple and is a great first step toward creating a water efficient home, if checked regularly.



For more useful information on how to identify and repair leaks around the home, visit EPA's WaterSense program at http://www.epa.gov/watersense/our\_water/howto.html. The District also encourages customers to locate and read their meters to detect leaks. Information on how to read your meter can be found on the District's website at www.bbwsd.com under Customer Service.

# **Conserve Water, Conserve Life!**

Blaine fourth grade students and teachers gathered to celebrate the 2014 winners of the Water Awareness poster contest sponsored by the city of Blaine and Birch Bay Water and Sewer District on Friday, June 6th. The theme of the poster contest was "Conserve Water, Conserve Life!" which emphasized the importance of conserving water to ensure that there is enough water available for all living things. Victoria Yarovoy won first place, Yana Sachuk took second place and Stephanie Boczek won third place. District Commissioner Patrick Alesse and City of Blaine Assistant Public Works Director Bill Bullock assisted in judging the posters and awarding the prizes to the top three winners. To check out the winning posters, please visit the District's webpage www.bbwsd.com. The pictures can be found in Image Galleries under Water Awareness School Poster Contest.

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# **WATERING SCHEDULE**

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
ODD	No Watering	EVEN	ODD	EVEN	ODD	EVEN

Effective June 1st through September 15th, the District will again be implementing its voluntary watering schedule to help manage our water supply during the summer months. Residents with odd numbered street addresses may water on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays. Residents with even numbered street addresses may water on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Mondays are nonwatering days to allow the District's reservoirs to recharge after the weekend. For more information visit www.bbwsd.com or contact the District at 360-371-7100.

