



COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

701 OCEAN STREET, SANTA CRUZ, CA 95060-4073

(831) 454-2000 WWW.SANTACRUZCOUNTY.US

CARLOS J. PALACIOS, COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



PRESS RELEASE

Date: February 16, 2022

Contact: Jason Hoppin

Jason.Hoppin@santacruzcounty.us

CANDIDATES FOR PAJARO VALLEY HEALTH CARE DISTRICT SOUGHT

On behalf of the Pajaro Valley Health Care District, the County of Santa Cruz is seeking applicants interested in being appointed to the inaugural Board of Directors for the District.

Under SB 418, signed into law February 4 by Gov. Gavin Newsom, the District will govern activities associated with the delivery of medical care in the Pajaro Valley, including the potential acquisition and oversight of Watsonville Community Hospital. Ideal candidates will reflect the diversity of Pajaro Valley and have experience in healthcare, business and/or community endeavors.

The five positions are voluntary and subject to approval by the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors. While initial terms will be by appointment, future terms will be subject to district-based public elections.

The application period is currently open and applications are due by March 4, 2022. Applicants must be permanent residents within the boundaries of the Health Care District (map link available on application form), be a registered voter in Monterey or Santa Cruz counties, and be able to complete applicable statements of economic interests filings.

To apply, go to <https://tinyurl.com/PVHCDBoard>.

Alternately, applicants may print the application form and return it via email to PVHCD@santacruzcounty.us, or mail or deliver it in person to the Board of Supervisors, 701 Ocean Street, Room 500, Santa Cruz, CA 95060.

The Board of Supervisors will appoint PVHCD Directors on March 22, 2022. An initial introduction meeting will be held March 24 and a planning meeting will follow March 26.