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District Awards Grant Funds for Continued Solid Waste Removal to Nipomo Chamber of Commerce

At its January 13th Regular Meeting, the District's Board of Directors approved to award Nipomo Chamber of Commerce grant funds in the amount of \$35,000 for continued solid waste removal services in the Nipomo community common areas. These funds will cover clean-up services for twelve months.

The Nipomo Chamber of Commerce contracts with Achievement House, who employs developmentally delayed adults, to provide the physical labor. The highly successful program was initiated three years ago and continues to be a success. The Chamber administers the program with grant funding from the District. The grant funds are generated by the District's solid waste franchise fee which is paid to the District by South County Sanitary (The Garbage Company) which all District customers help generate through their garbage bill.

With Chamber oversight, Achievement House staff regularly clean the community streets, sidewalks, and vacant lots of debris .The Board recognized the efforts of Nipomo Chamber of Commerce and Achievement House and approved the grant funds to continue the clean-up work for an additional twelve months.

Chamber Executive Director, Amber Wilson, expressed "The feedback has been overwhelmingly positive. We are pleased to see the noticeable decrease of litter in the streets and vacant lots, weeds growing in the gutters and sidewalks and parts of the town looking neglected. We are continuing to improve our efforts to gain more recognition of what can be accomplished in a community when public and private entities collaborate to solve a problem."

Next Scheduled Board Meeting: Wednesday, January 27th, 9AM, District Jon S. Seitz Board Room, 148 South Wilson, Nipomo.

For more information please contact the Nipomo Community Services District at 929-1133, info@ncsd.ca.gov or visit www.ncsd.ca.gov.

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Established in 1965 to meet the health and sanitation needs of the local community, Nipomo Community Services is pleased to provide a wide variety of services throughout its district including the provision of water, sewer, and waste management services as well as lighting and drainage in limited areas. The mission of Nipomo Community Services District is to provide its customers with reliable, quality, and cost-effective services now and in the future.