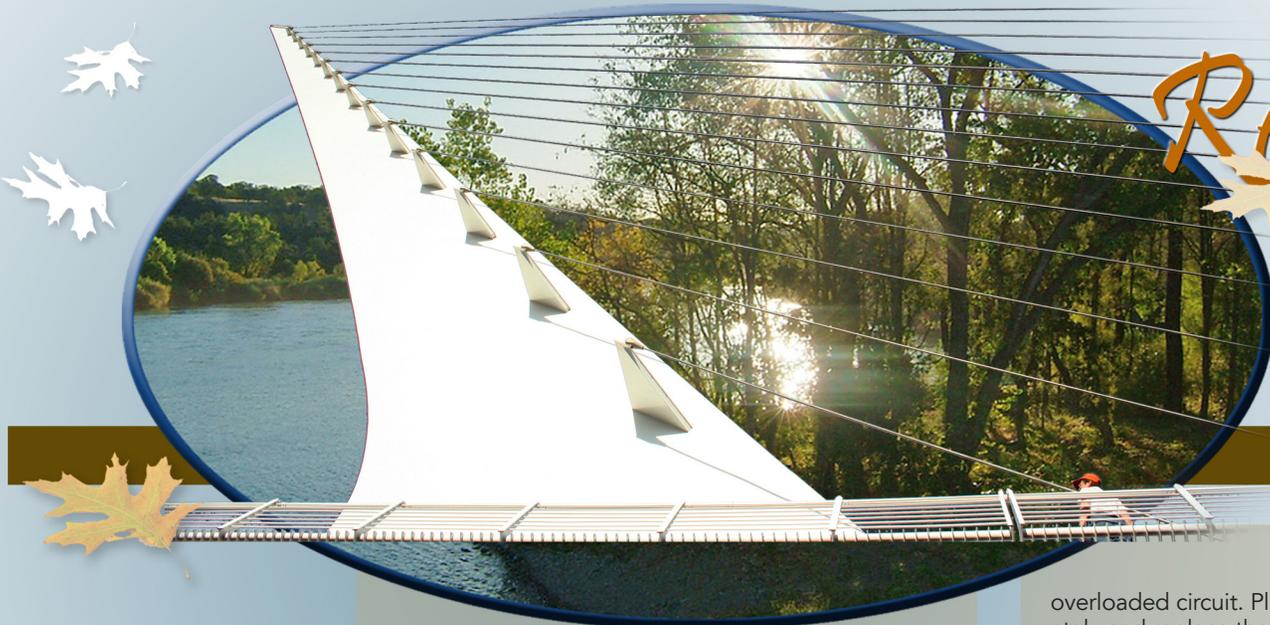


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December 2016



All of us at Redding Electric Utility Wish You a Joyous and Safe Holiday Season

With the holiday season upon us and 2016 coming to an end, all of us at Redding Electric Utility (REU) would like to extend the warmest of holiday greetings to you and your family. Many of us cherish this special time of year, celebrating with family and friends, spending countless hours decorating and adding colorful lighting to our homes and businesses.

REU, your community-owned electric utility, wishes you a happy and safe holiday season. Safety is a priority to all of us at REU. We are offering some very important tips to help you safely celebrate and light up the holidays. By following these helpful electrical safety tips you and your family can rest assured and enjoy one of the most joyous times of the year.

Inside lights

- Throw away any lighting that shows damaged, cut, or frayed wire cords or insulation.
- Keep children and pets away from the lighted electrical decorations.
- Avoid covering the lighted lamps with any cloth, paper, or other material that is not part of the lighting.
- Holiday lighting kits usually have overload fuse protection; if one blows, this may be a sign of an

overloaded circuit. Please unplug the lights immediately and replace the blown circuit. If it continues to blow a fuse you may have a short circuit. Throw the string of lights away or return them to where they were purchased.

Outside lights

- Never use seasonal lighting outside your home, unless it is specifically labeled for outdoor use.
- Do not secure the wiring of the outdoor lighting with staples or nails.
- Connect outside lighting to a Ground Fault Circuit Interrupting (GFCI) device. If you don't have one, have a qualified electrician install one.
- When putting up lights or decorations on houses or in trees, stay away from overhead power lines.
- Do not use aluminum ladders.

Christmas trees

- If you are lighting a tree, ensure the tree is fresh and well-watered. If the tree is dry and needles are dropping off, don't use lighting.
- Please don't allow children to play with the lights or the wiring.
- Never use electric lights on a metal tree.
- Flame retardant does not mean flameproof – use caution.
- Position your tree at least three to four feet away from a heat source.
- If it looks unsafe . . . it probably is!

Season's greetings to all and the best wishes for a happy and prosperous 2017!

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Water Saving Tips

Insulate your water pipes—you'll get hot water faster and avoid wasting water while it heats up.

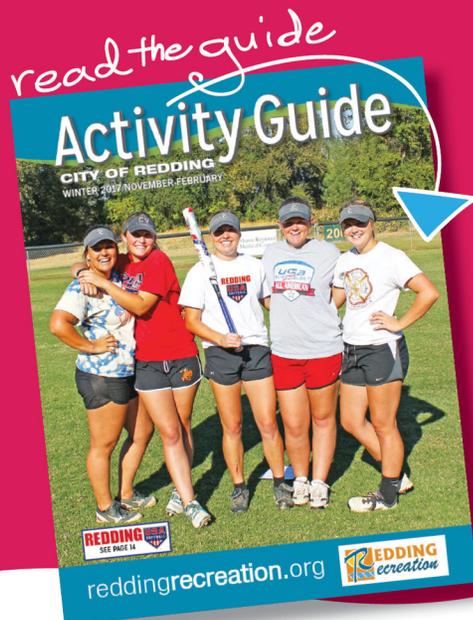


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What's new?

- Cookies and Cocoa with Santa
- Polar Bear Plunge
- Men's Basketball League
- Hula for Adults and Youth
- Holiday Home Decor in Fresh Flowers
- and much more...



REDDING recreation 777 Cypress Ave. 2nd floor
reddingrecreation.org



Tis the Season to "SHARE"

During this season of celebration and giving, please remember that there are some Redding residents who need our assistance. For the past 15 years, REU has provided a SHARE program (Simply Helping Another Receive Energy), which has raised more than \$250,000 to assist our Redding elderly residents with their electric bill. When you review your next City of Redding utility bill, look for the SHARE box at the top of the bill and please consider making a generous donation. If you would like to add a fixed, monthly contribution amount to your utility bill, please contact Customer Service at (530) 339-7200.

As 2016 comes to an end and we all look forward to new and positive opportunities for 2017, let's be mindful of what we truly love about our community and each strive to improve our quality of life.

Get Connected to Services Available in Your Community

2-1-1 Shasta, a program of United Way of Northern California, is an information and referral helpline that is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. 2-1-1 is free, confidential, and available in multiple languages.

When a community member calls 2-1-1 they are connected to a live specialist, who can assist in finding information regarding food, clothing, utility assistance, housing & shelter, job training and employment, parenting classes, healthcare, crisis hotlines, transportation, senior services, child care, drug and alcohol treatment, legal services, counseling, mental health, support groups, and more.

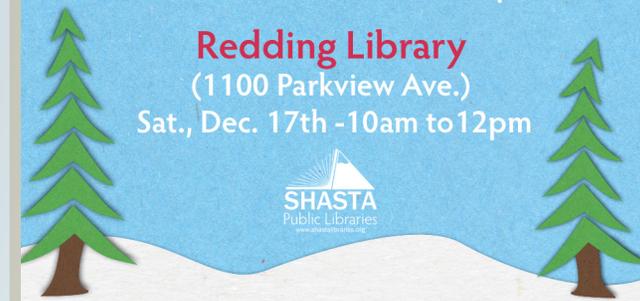
Allow us to connect you to the resources you need to get help, just dial 2-1-1 on any phone within Shasta County. If you are not able to connect to 2-1-1 Shasta from your phone, please call 855-211-7822, or visit us online at 211norcal.org.



WINTER Wonderland

Anderson Library
 (3200 West Center St.)
 Fri., Dec. 16th - 2:30 to 4:30pm

Redding Library
 (1100 Parkview Ave.)
 Sat., Dec. 17th - 10am to 12pm



Check out the Redding and Anderson Libraries!

Get your kids in the holiday spirit at our Winter Wonderland celebrations at the Anderson Library on December 16, and the Redding Library on December 17. Fun crafts, snacks, and raffles make the perfect holiday events for families. For more information call 530-245-7253.

Fly Local. Fly Redding. Fly NOW!

