
WATSONVILLE COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

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MEDIA ADVISORY

Watsonville Community Hospital Hosts Community Celebration on October 17th *Everyone is welcome to join the outdoor festivities*

(Watsonville, CA) – On Monday, October 17, 2022, Watsonville Community Hospital (WCH) will host a community celebration to thank everyone who supported its the transition to a community-led hospital. In less than a year after filing bankruptcy, there is new ownership, and the hospital is on a more secure financial path to sustainability. The public is invited to the ribbon cutting ceremonies and to a program with speakers who will discuss how this 130-year-old vital organization was saved and returned to the community.

“We are excited to host a celebration to celebrate *our* community hospital as we start a new phase in its history as a non-profit community-led hospital,” said Steven Salyer, CEO of WCH. “Everyone is welcome, and we want everyone to know that we are so grateful for their support over the last year. Because of this wonderful community, the hospital is well-positioned to unlock new opportunities while meeting the ongoing needs of the community and patients it serves.”

The event is from 2:00pm until 4:00pm and will be held outdoors at Watsonville Community Hospital, 75 Nielson Street, Watsonville. Speakers at the event include:

State Senator John Laird
Assemblymember Robert Rivas
Steven Salyer, CEO, Watsonville Community Hospital
John Friel, Board Chair, Pajaro Valley Health Care District
Jasmine Najera, Board Member, Pajaro Valley Health Care District
Carlos Palacios, Santa Cruz County Administrator
Rene Mendez, City Manager, City of Watsonville

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