

Event Write Up

Event: WaterTalks Public Event College of the Canyons Val Verde

Date and Time	February 13, 2020 7:00 PM	Community Member Attendance	20+
Location	30300 Arlington St. Val Verde, CA 91384	Sponsoring Organization	College of the Canyons

Summary:

On February 13, 2020 College of the Canyons, hosted their WaterTalks event at 30300 Arlington St. Val Verde, CA 91384. The event was to bring WaterTalk presentation and conversation to the community of Val Verde. The meeting attendees were part of the Val Verde Civic Association monthly meeting. Over 20 community members attended the event.

At 6:50 there were preparations taking place, poster boards being set up, and a video projector getting some final adjustments. The entry table was filled with flyers, a meeting agenda, and a water quality report provided by Kary and Richard Gomez from Public Works, whom also attended the event. Community reports were discussed for the first half of the meeting.

The WaterTalks portion of the night began at 7:40pm. WaterTalk tool kits were handed out and the attendees sifted through the material as the student presenters got themselves ready at the podium. Dakota began the conversation using the power point slides as a guide. She discussed surface water and groundwater, pollutants, what is a water shed, and capturing and storing water. Jessolyn further discussed topics such as tap water, water sources, and water consumption. The community members listened intently and followed along with the toolkit printouts. At the end of the discussion, Holly assisted with the discussion about water run-off, drought and concrete. Richard Gomez from Public works also provided input in the discussion about ground water quality. In the end, College of the Canyon students did a great job presenting and leaving the Val Verde community members informed and empowered about their water. Bravo College of the Canyon Students.

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