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### **East Valley Water District Received District of Distinction and Distinguished Budget Awards**

*The District is recognized for outstanding efforts in world-class governance, transparency, and financial stewardship to its customers.*

**Highland, Calif., (May 17, 2021)** – Highland, CA —East Valley Water District (District) strives to be an example of world class public service. Having developed a strong foundation in efficient and transparent operations, third-party organizations provide valuable benchmarks in these areas. Recently, the District received the District of Distinction accreditation and the Distinguished Budget Presentation from two separate organizations. “The awards showcase the District’s continued commitment to serving the community in a manner that encourages public interest and an ease of accessing key information,” said Board Chairman David Smith.

The Special District Leadership Foundation (SDLF) awarded the District of Distinction for East Valley Water District’s fiscal management policies and practices in District operations. SDLF committee members who review the District’s audits are volunteers from the special district community, including district controllers, directors of finance and certified general managers.

Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) announced the District has received GFOA's Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for its budget. To receive the budget award, the East Valley Water District had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for an effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well an East Valley Water District’s budget serves as a policy document, financial plan, operations guide, and a communications device.

“The two recognitions are examples of how East Valley Water District prides itself in being transparent in its operations for our customers,” said John Mura, General Manager/CEO. “The acknowledgment by our industry peers allows for the District to serve as a positive example of good governance for others to model after.” The District places the budget documents, financial reports and policies on the website for all members of the public to have access and review.

For information about East Valley Water District, including the latest reports, public meeting information and general overview, visit [eastvalley.org](http://eastvalley.org).

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*East Valley Water District was formed in 1954 and provides water and wastewater services to over 103,000 residents within the City of Highland and portions of both the City and County of San Bernardino. EVWD operates under the direction of a 5-member elected Board. More information is available at [www.eastvalley.org](http://www.eastvalley.org)*