

Sungood news

Sun God Festival 2017

The Sun God Festival will be held April 29th and features live performances, carnival rides, and midway games at the RIMAC Field. It has significantly grown since its 1983 debut requiring more coordination among the Triton community to keep it safe and fun for everyone. In this newsletter, you will find this year's Sun God Festival Residential Guest Policy, data from previous years, and information to help you safely navigate the festival.

Tickets & Registration

Your ticket is your registered Student ID. UCSD ID Cards are University Property. The transfer, sale, forgery or other misuse of an ID card is a violation of the Student Conduct Code and Triton ID Card Terms and Conditions, and is subject to the student conduct process. These policies were put in place to protect the campus community against the occurrence of sexual assault, violence, harassment and other inappropriate behavior.

Tickets, registration, & terms and conditions:
sgf.ucsd.edu

Student Conduct Code & relevant policies:
studentconduct.ucsd.edu

Did You Know?

There were an extra 45 incidents related to misuse of ID Cards leading up to the 2015 festival. These are in addition to the 146 incidents that occurred during the festival itself.

2017 Sun God Festival Residential Guest Policy

To address the high numbers of visitors who have historically gathered in the seven residential areas during the festival, a "residents-only" policy will be strictly enforced. During the time periods stated in the "Did You Know?" text below, only residents currently assigned to on-campus living spaces will be allowed in their respective neighborhoods. The policy applies to living spaces only (rooms and common areas in residence halls and apartments). It will not apply to public spaces (e.g. study rooms, dining areas, or outdoor spaces in the residential areas). PLEASE NOTE: Additionally, The Village, ERC/I-House, and TMC will issue wristbands identifying residents of those respective areas, and only persons with corresponding wristbands will be allowed in those three respective neighborhoods from Friday at 8 PM through Sunday at 8 AM.

Additionally, every on-campus resident will be held to the Housing and Residential Life policy on responsibly hosting "gatherings," regardless of whether alcohol is present. This Policy is designed to mitigate the prospect of multiple large gatherings and disruptions in the residential communities and to assist RAs to efficiently handle any situations in the living areas over the four days surrounding the weekend of the Sun God Festival.

For the purposes of this policy during Sun God, a "resident" is defined as a person who is assigned to a specific room/apartment in a given residential area. A "guest" is anyone not assigned to that room/suite/apartment.

Did You Know?

On-campus residents will not be allowed to host guests in their residence during the following time periods during the weekend of the Sun God Festival:

Thursday (4/27) at 8pm to Friday (4/28) at 8am

Friday (4/28) at 8pm to Sunday (4/30) at 8am

(encompassing the entire day of the festival on Saturday, 4/29)

TEAL TEAM 6

The UCSD Police Department, in connection with Student Health Education, has recruited volunteer student health advocates to participate in a pilot program to provide on-the-field help for students who are seeking resources and safety information regarding sexual assault and many other issues that may arise. The goal is to keep Teal Team 6 up and running at all major UCSD events so that students recognize the logo and know that they can go to trusted peers who have the ability to directly connect them with the resources they need. Please contact Sergeant Melissa Luth (mluth@ucsd.edu) with the UCSD Police Department for more information.

Myths vs. FACTS

MYTH: It's Sun God Festival, so anything goes! Enforcement officials and authorities won't do anything. They can't do anything!

FACT: A blind eye won't be turned to irresponsible actions. 146 arrests were made during the 2013 Sun God Festival, outnumbering and outpacing those made at Coachella and EDC.

MYTH: The Sun God Sobering Facility punishes people who drink.

FACT: The Sobering Facility provides a safe and supervised service for students determined to be unable to care for the health and safety of themselves or others due to over-intoxication. It also decreased the number of students being transported to local hospitals and emergency services, which was causing other emergencies to be redirected due to limited resources. It also reduced the amount of time that police and EMTs were spending on the road, and away from the festival where they were most needed.

MYTH: Students don't actually use the Sun God Sobering Facility.

FACT: About half of all Sun God related incidents involve student admittance to the Sobering Facility. Over the past two years, a number of students turned up to the entrance to check themselves in to the Sobering Facility. Our volunteers work to ensure that students get the help they need.

Additional Resources

Sun God Sobering Facility Hotline: (858) 246-0393

AS Office of Student Advocacy: asadvocacy@ucsd.edu

Student Legal Services: sls@ucsd.edu

**RESPONSIBLE
ACTION
PROTOCOL**
rap.ucsd.edu

The Responsible Action Protocol was developed with the intention of reducing the dangers associated with the overconsumption of alcohol and/or controlled substances, removing barriers to seeking medical assistance and promoting community well-being and safety. Students receiving medical assistance in an alcohol and/or controlled substance medical-related emergency and students initiating medical assistance will not be subject to the formal student conduct process if all of the following apply:

- 1 The student requests OR another person contacts a House Advisor/Resident Advisor or other University Official (e.g. Police Officer, Residential Security Officer, etc.) for medical assistance on behalf of a student experiencing an alcohol and/or controlled substance medical-related emergency;
- 2 No other major Student Conduct Code violations (including, but not limited to, disorderly conduct, distribution of controlled substances, hazing, physical assault, vandalism, etc.) were committed by the student during the same incident; AND
- 3 The student has not received protection under this Protocol more than once in a two calendar year period.

**Enjoy a safe & fun
Sun God Festival!**