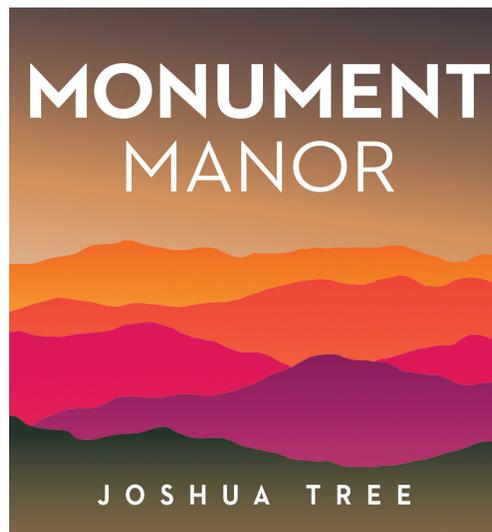
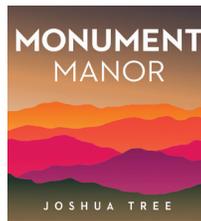


MONUMENT MANOR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION



WELCOME PACKET



***MONUMENT MANOR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (MMNA) would like to welcome you to the neighborhood!*** To make your transition to the Monument Manor of Joshua Tree as smooth as possible, the MMNA has created this welcome packet. Additional info is available at [www.monumentmanorneighborhood.com](http://www.monumentmanorneighborhood.com)

## OVERVIEW

**MONUMENT MANOR** covers two square miles, 260 parcels, 217 owners, 194 developed properties and eight miles of well-maintained dirt roads. It is a safe neighborhood with beautiful views, native vegetation, gorgeous dark night skies where wildlife can coexist with residents. It is a place where residents proactively work together to support a true sense of community.

**DARK SKIES** One of the amazing attributes of our area is the dark the night skies. However, without proactive efforts, dark night skies are becoming rare. They are important not only for stargazing, but also to wildlife who can become disoriented by lights at night and it can affect the ability of predators to catch their prey.

In 2021, San Bernardino County passed a Dark Night Skies Ordinance focusing on the prevention of light trespass onto neighboring properties and protection of dark night skies. In addition to the SBC Outdoor Lighting Ordinance, Monument Manor is a Dark Sky friendly area where lights are to be turned off at night when possible. Residents try to manage/mitigate light trespass from indoor lighting as well. *(Additional info in this packet.)*

**DIRT ROADS** One of our main missions is to maintain and manage our roads. Weather events, traffic (especially heavy trucks and vans) exact a disproportionate toll on our fragile roads. Supplemental contributions to the MMNA to our road fund go a long way to help maintain our dirt roads.

Thank you for taking the time to read this. We look forward to meeting you! Additional information and a membership form is available in this folder as well as online at [monumentmanorneighborhood.com](http://monumentmanorneighborhood.com)

Monument Manor Neighborhood Association is solely supported by volunteers and your donations. Donate online or by check along with the membership form which is included in this package.

*Our recommended donation is \$100 for the year. However, any and all donations are a tremendous help to this volunteer-supported group.*

## SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY OUTDOOR LIGHTING REGULATIONS

DARK NIGHT SKIES are important not only for stargazing, but also to wildlife who can become disoriented by lights at night. In 2017 Joshua Tree National Park was designated as an International Dark Sky Park in recognition of its contribution to maintaining dark sky areas.

To protect this valuable resource, in 2021 San Bernardino County passed the Dark Night Skies Ordinance to prevent light trespass onto neighboring properties and protect dark night skies. A summary is as follows:

- **CURFEW:** Outdoor lights (*including bright solar lights*) must be off by 11 PM or when people leave the area. They may also be on a sensor that shuts off after five minutes of activation.
- **SHIELDING:** All outdoor fixtures must be shielded to direct light downward.
- **LIGHT LIMITS:** There are limits on light brightness. In the desert, the light trespass limit is 0.1 foot-candle at the property line, as measured by a light meter. **This equates to very little light – think of the light cast by a candle one foot away from it.**

## USE OF RODENTICIDES: RAT POISON IS BASICALLY WILDLIFE POISON

Rodenticides are toxic chemicals that are used to kill rodents. The reality is that these poisons can kill more than their targeted victims. Bobcats, coyotes, roadrunners, owls, hawks and reptiles are all put at risk.

*Rodenticides can be harmful to wildlife in two ways:*

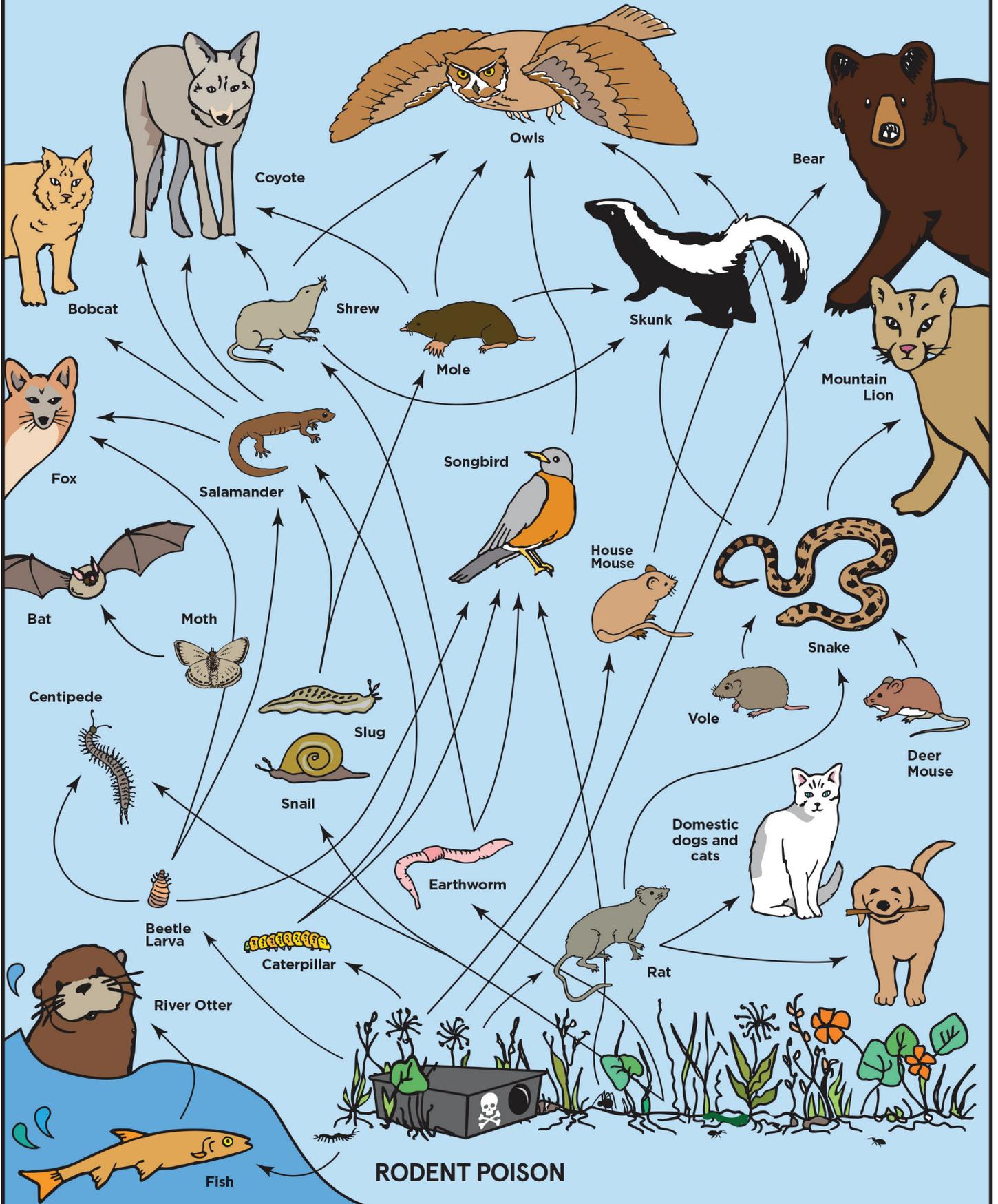
- 1. Through direct poisoning—when our native wildlife ingests the poison*
- 2. Through secondary poisoning— when wildlife eats rodents that have ingested poison.*

There are two main types of rodenticides: anticoagulants and non-anticoagulants. Anticoagulants work by preventing blood from clotting, which can lead to internal bleeding and/or death of the rodent. Non-anticoagulants impact the rodent's nervous system resulting in respiratory distress and death.

## HELP PROTECT OUR WILDLIFE, PETS AND CHILDREN FROM RODENTICIDES BY:

- Utilizing non-toxic methods to control rodent populations, including sealing entry ways into homes, repellants, and trapping. (Do not use glue traps as they also can kill indiscriminately.)
- Consulting with a professional pest control company that uses non-toxic methods to help manage rodent problems effectively.

# RAT POISON IS WILDLIFE POISON





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**2026 MEMBERSHIP FORM**

We would like to thank those who contributed last year to the Monument Manor Neighborhood Association (MMNA). If you have already sent in your 2026 contributions, Thank You! **We need your support to keep our Monument Manor roads in good shape, including making storm repairs.** If you wish to learn about the projects MMNA has done this past year, please visit: [www.monumentmanorneighborhood.com](http://www.monumentmanorneighborhood.com).

To **update your ownership and contact information**, print and fill out the form below and mail it with a check for your **2026 contribution** to the address below, or give it to one of the board members.

Your \$100, \$200 or greater contribution does make a difference!  
*A contribution of any size will be welcome!*

Please **make check out to** Monument Manor Neighborhood Association and **send check to:**

**Monument Manor Neighborhood Association**  
**PO Box 892, Joshua Tree, CA 92252**

**OR**, enroll in **Zelle** through your bank’s app (then use our email address: [monumentmanorna@gmail.com](mailto:monumentmanorna@gmail.com)), select amount you would like to send, add memo -donation for roads, and click confirm.



Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Monument Manor Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**I want to help keep the Manor roads in good condition:**  \$100     \$200     Other \$\_\_\_\_\_

**I am/we are:**     Owner     Renter

**Property is a:**     Full-Time Residence     Part-Time Residence     Short-Term Rental

**I'd like to volunteer to help work on the roads:**     Yes

**I prefer to receive communications from MMNA electronically rather than by snail mail:**     Yes

## ADDITIONAL WILDLIFE INFORMATION

### RAVENS, TRASH CANS AND THE WIND

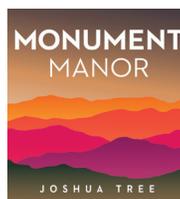
Overflowing trash cans provide food for ravens. They pick through trash for leftover food items. Human food subsidies from trash have caused raven populations to explode which has been devastating to the native desert tortoise. Ravens prey on young tortoises (up to about 10 years of age). *In many areas, virtually no tortoises are making it to adulthood due to raven predation.*

It can be very windy here. If your bin is overfilled or the lid is not secured, trash can be strewn across the neighborhood. A simple fix is to place a brick on the lids and not to overfill them. Help reverse this trend by making sure your the lid on your trash is always closed.

### NATIVE PLANT LIFE

Cryptobiotic soil is the glue that holds the desert together. It gives plants a safe sturdy place to grow. Biological soil crusts under a shrub or bush provide shelter from the sun and the wind as well as water erosion. Try not to disturb the crust with leaf blowers, tires or even trampling the fragile soil.

Soil crusts that appear to be dried out seem to come alive when doused with water. Drive and ride on designated roads and trails and steer clear of roadside vegetation. When hiking, walk on marked trails or surfaces such as rock or in sandy washes.



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## USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS

Burrtec (Trash collection) ..... (760) 340-2113

Joshua Basin Water District ..... (760) 366-8438

*To report water leak, call and select menu option to report water leak.*

*Give street name and nearest cross street.*

Southern California Edison ..... (800) 655-4555

Joshua Tree Fire Station ..... (760) 366-8423

County Fire Non-Emergency ..... (909) 387-5974

Hi-Desert Medical Center ..... (760) 366-3711

Snake Wrangler Danielle Wall ..... (707) 696-4691

*Relocates rattlesnakes at no charge, but a tip is appreciated.*

Sheriff Local Office ..... (760) 366-4175

Sheriff Non-Emergency Dispatch ..... (909) 387-8313

California Highway Patrol ..... (760) 366-3707

Joshua Tree National Park ..... (760) 367-5500

*JTNP Superintendant Jane Rodgers .....or (760) 366-1855*

*Email: Jane\_Rodgers@nps.gov*

Joshua Tree Post Office ..... (760) 366-8192

Code Enforcement ..... (909) 884-4056

Short Term Rental Complaints ..... (833) 722-7871

San Bernardino County Land Use Services Dept.

Code Enforcement Officer, Sherry Rotruck ..... (760) 366-4110

CSA (County Service Area) ..... (760) 366-8415

*Covers Section 6 (adjacent to Section 5 which is BLM), Frank Haggard*

Sounding Reporting ..... 760-830-9222

*Marine Corps Base in Twentynine Palms has a sound reporting system.*

*Include time, date of the sound occurrence, where you were when you heard the sound and the type of sound heard (artillery, aircraft, other sound)*

FIGHT LIGHT POLLUTION.

# Starry Starry Nights

Help keep our night skies dark.  
Remember to turn your lights out at night.

Joshua Tree National Park was designated as an  
International Dark Sky Park in 2017.  
Artificial light at night harms the viewing the natural environment  
and disturbs the nocturnal sleep patterns of animals.