

# Catalina Chimes Tower Foundation launches new website

See history of the chimes, info on fundraising efforts

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Catalina Chimes Tower Foundation announces the launch of its newly developed website, [www.CatalinaChimes.org](http://www.CatalinaChimes.org). The site features a classic design that engages users, provides detailed information about the history of the Chimes Tower, stories and press releases – and a fundraising page where donations can be made online.

“We are excited to have created a website where you can not only see our history, but also witness the progress of our renovation project in real time,” says

Alison Wrigley Rusack, Chairman of the Catalina Chimes Tower Foundation. “We are hoping the site will also provide an innovative way for people to share their stories and memories of the Chimes through the years.”

Going forward, the foundation’s board is working on overall project goals, timelines, cost estimating, donor recognition and more. Last month, an initial clean up of the Chimes Tower site was accomplished by generous volunteers from the Rotary Club, Lion’s Club and the foundation board, marking the first step in refurbishing this cherished Avalon landmark. The new website will include the foundation’s long term vision, architectural renderings of the renovation project and announcements of upcoming events.

If you have a personal story

or memory you would like to share about the Chimes Tower, the foundation asks that you e-mail it to [info@CatalinaChimes.org](mailto:info@CatalinaChimes.org). A foundation representative will contact you to obtain permission to post your story on the website if it is selected to be published.

For those who would like to give, tax deductible contributions can be made at [www.CatalinaChimes.org](http://www.CatalinaChimes.org), or sent to the Catalina Chimes Tower Foundation at P.O. Box 677, Avalon, CA 90704. For questions and comments please e-mail [info@catalinachimes.org](mailto:info@catalinachimes.org).

Catalina Chimes Tower Foundation is a nonprofit public benefit corporation. Our mission is to restore and maintain the Chimes Tower and its Chimes, a beloved landmark in the town of Avalon on Santa Catalina Island, for the community and future generations to enjoy.



The Chimes Tower, pictured here, is a beloved local landmark. File photo

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## Thanksgiving Food Boxes distributed

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On Nov. 19 the City of Avalon’s Community Service Department helped 30 families have a better Thanksgiving. Avalon’s great network of community minded organizations of the Rotary Club, Lion’s Club, Community Church, SCIRC, Golden Share Foods and Avalon Freight help to donate to the cause.

This year’s food boxes had a 12-pound turkey, makings for stuffing, yams, and hearty vegetables. David Hart and Joe Montano of Avalon’s Community Services Department gave the meals out of the Teen Center, which allowed a centrally located area for the families to pick up. The 30 families that received the meals were extremely thankful and would like to thank the organizations. COA understands there are more families in need. Please contact City Hall at 310 510 0220 ext. 231 to put them on a list for Christmas.



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