

Customer Assurance Specialist Team (CAST)

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What is CAST?



- The Customer Assurance Specialist Team (CAST) was created in 2017 to bring DWSD customer service resources into the community.
- CAST's goal is help customers avoid service interruptions, reduce leaks by recognizing high water usage, resolve problems on-the-spot, and inform/educate about water and sewer services.
- CAST is a cooperative initiative between the Customer Service and Public Affairs groups.



CAST: Impact in 2019



86

Total Events

46

Hosted by community organizations

Several Thousand

Customer interactions

850

Customers had their issues resolved

- Several of the events were resource tables whereby CAST provided account updates and information on customer assistance programs.
- Often CAST resolves many of the questions/ concerns on-the-spot.
- In addition to CAST, 11 partner nonprofits are trained to provide DWSD education at their events including community resource fairs and food pantries.



CAST: Growth in 2020



100

Total Events

55%

Hosted by community organizations

5,000+

Customer interactions

1,000+

Customers have their issues resolved

- Expand CAST members to <u>eight</u> Customer Service Representatives from the current five.
- The outreach coordinator who will be added to the Public Affairs Group in July will be leading the initiative and enhancing how DWSD does outreach across the city.

Thank You

Questions?