ZANJEROS ARE ZAN-‘HEROES’
IN OUR COMMUNITY

From retrieving lost wedding rings to saving pets that have fallen into the canal, our Zanjeros are always there to lend a helping hand in our community. Zanjeros travel more than a million miles each year while remaining aware of surroundings in the neighborhoods they serve.

Zaniero Tim Miller recently displayed awareness during a routine stop to deliver water. While opening the SRP gate, Miller heard a strange sound. When the sound continued, he investigated and saw three kitten heads floating just above the water. Unable to reach them by leaning in, Miller jumped into the water and retrieved two of the kittens. After a bit of searching, he was able to find the third. The kittens barely had their eyes open and appeared to be about 2 weeks old. In an effort to help the kittens survive, Miller wrapped them in his shirt to keep them warm and called a local neighbor who helps with animal rescues. The neighbor offered to foster the kittens and nurse them back to health after efforts to find their mother were unsuccessful. One kitten has found its forever home and they are hoping to find good homes for the other two.

Did you know this is not Miller’s first animal rescue? Last year while delivering water, he noticed a Labrador retriever stuck in a lateral. After ascertaining that the dog was friendly and had identification, Miller was able to reach the owner and the two worked together to safely rescue the pet in peril.

See something in a canal? Don’t jump in, call 911 for emergency help or SRP at (602) 236-5296. Canal sides are slick, so only emergency or SRP personnel should enter canals.

Do you know a Zanjero who is a hero? Let us know at srpnet.com/irrigationhelp.

INFUSED WATER RECIPES

Stay cool this summer and enjoy a tasty twist to essential summer hydration by adding some fruit and vegetables to your water. Infused waters should chill in the refrigerator for up to two days. The longer the chill, the stronger the taste!

PINEAPPLE WATER
6 cups of cold water
2 cups of fresh sliced pineapple
10 mint leaves

WATERMELON-STRAWBERRY WATER
6 cups of cold water
1 cup of sliced watermelon
1 cup of sliced strawberries

LIME-MINT-CUCUMBER WATER
6 cups of cold water
1 thinly sliced lime
10 mint leaves
10 cucumber slices
MONSOON IRRIGATION REMINDERS
SRP brings water to the Valley, and we care about your safety around it. Don’t be caught off guard by monsoon storms; use caution near neighborhood storm drains, ditches and canals. Irrigation continues even during heavy rains, so remember to cancel your irrigation order by 4 a.m. on the day your water delivery schedule is available online. If you forget to cancel, give us a call at (602) 236-3333 for assistance in redirecting the water. Learn ways to prep for summer storms at srpnet.com/stormsafety.

FREE TOURS AT SRP FACILITIES
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