



WILL YOUR VACANT BUILDING BE INSPECTED BY THE CITY? | HOW DOES THE VACANT BUILDING MONITORING PROGRAM WORK?

Fees for monitoring vacant buildings range from \$271.85 to \$542.60 per month, depending on condition.

If the City cleans up or closes your property for you, you will be billed for the costs.

The goal of the monitoring program is to help prevent the neighborhood blight commonly associated with vacant buildings.

Fires, illegal drug use, other criminal activities, and health and safety hazards for occupants, neighbors, and emergency services providers are increasingly seen at vacant buildings.

SDCI encourages owners to explore ways to keep buildings occupied while waiting for permits to be issued.

MONITORING PROGRAM

1. When you apply for a permit that includes a vacant building, your building will be enrolled in the vacant building monitoring program. SDCI will conduct monthly inspections to make sure the building is properly maintained and secured.

COMMUNITY COMPLAINTS

2. If we receive a complaint about your vacant building and it is not properly maintained or secured, your building will be enrolled in the monitoring program if you do not fix the violations before the compliance date in a Notice of Violation or if you have had another violation on the property within the past year. You may also be subject to civil penalties and inspection charges in addition to monitoring fees.

PROGRAM UNENROLLMENT

3. Once you have had three monthly inspections with no problems, or if your building is reoccupied or demolished, your building will be removed from the monitoring program.

READ MORE:

Tip 601, Unsafe and Vacant Buildings: SDCI's Inspection Program/SFD's Inspection Program

Tip 605, City Regulations for Maintaining Vacant Buildings

Tip 608, Regulations Affecting Buildings Unfit for Human Habitation or Other Use

**QUESTIONS?
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HELP!**

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