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Kevin's Corner

Some Very Quick Updates... Riverside County **Animal Services** has a large medical bus (some call it the "neuter scooter"!) they utilize to conduct spay and neuter procedures in various communities across the county. Unfortunately, the age and deteriorating mechanical condition of the bus has led to some cancellations. We are pleased to announce that two new replacement buses will (hopefully) be arriving in November and February.

During the recent budget discussions, Riverside County District Attorney Mike Hestrin was pleased to share that the crisis involving the **dismissal of pending criminal cases** has largely been fixed by the new Presiding Judge, via better scheduling of court rooms and adjusting trial judge schedules. Our local courts still remain short handed for the population and number of cases heard, resulting in lengthy delays, particularly for civil and family court issues – but that requires action from the State Legislature and Governor to fix.

Plans to locate and construct a roughly **\$100 million comprehensive Behavioral Health campus** could not find any love in Coachella or Hemet, and it is now being evaluated for the 215 corridor. The Mead Valley Municipal Advisory Council (& attending residents) will receive a presentation on the proposed "Wellness Village" campus at its July 5th community meeting. The community will also receive an update on the installation of street lights on a few busy streets – mostly near schools. Street lights are also in the works for a few busy streets in Good Hope and Lakeland Village. For those of you who reside in Good Hope/Meadowbrook (located between Lake Elsinore & Perris), you will soon have a new non-profit managing your local Moses Schaffer Community Center and Park. The formal announcement is forthcoming.

I had previously written about a federal lawsuit **seeking to stop Firefighting aircraft** from using fire suppression retardant because it can pollute the environment. A judge in Montana has reportedly ruled that the retardant material could indeed be polluting some streams and rivers – BUT the judge allowed the USFS to continue fighting fires with the retardant while they seek a waiver from the regulations.

Back here in Riverside County, a **surface mining "vesting rights determination"** (hearing) for land off Cajalco Road, near Corona is being continued to August 1st at the request of Robertson's Ready Mix (and the Pechanga Band of Mission Indians). Long hours of technical and historical data, as well as extensive public comments were heard before the Public Hearing was concluded in May. It is unlikely that the item will be continued beyond Aug 1st.

The **newly adopted county budget** beefs up a lot of services for a variety of county departments to the public, including reopening the **(continued to page 2)**

mothballed **Animal Services shelter in San Jacinto** (which will help reduce the pet intake and population at the Jurupa/Riverside shelter). The budget also includes a temporary **fire season staffing increase** at 10 county fire stations that serve communities that are intertwined in high wildland fire danger areas. It unfortunately won't help with the severe **homeowner insurance** crisis that is hitting parts of our county – but it could help keep fires from rapidly growing.

The **Fourth of July** is typically a great holiday for families to enjoy outdoor activities and catch some professional firework shows. Unfortunately for Riverside County it's also when we get hit hard with **illegal fireworks** and the chaos they bring. The hand injuries, house/roof fires, tree fires and sometimes large wildland fires typically come with the illegal fireworks. It was just a few years back that our county temporarily ran out of available fire engines because of the extremely high number of emergencies and fires occurring (and strong winds that rapidly expanded many vegetation fires). The county and many cities are putting extra enforcement teams in place (along with steep fines) to help prevent some tragedies from occurring. For more information on the effort, as well as a list of public fireworks shows across the county, visit: <https://rvcfire.org/>

Be Safe!

Kevin Jeffries

ENJOY LIFE.

25¢ RIDES

FOR EVERYONE ALL SUMMER

June 1 - August 30

RTA is rolling back bus fares to just 25 cents per ride for **everyone**. That means bus rides, which usually cost \$1.75, will be just a quarter from June 1 through August 30.

Customers can pay by simply dropping a quarter in the farebox or they can use the GoMobile app when they board. The 25-cent rides include all local bus routes, CommuterLink and GoMicro.

As always, students who are part of the U-Pass programs ride for free. Visit Riverside-Transit.com or call (951) 955-5002 to plan your trip.



Interested in serving your local community?

Perhaps you are more of a regional advocate?

If you live in or have a business in District #1, be sure to look at the list of openings we have below for local commissions.

CURRENT OPENINGS:

Good Hope Municipal Advisory Council (MAC) - Two (2) Members & One (1) Alternate

Highgrove Municipal Advisory Council (MAC) - One (1) Alternate

Solid Waste - One (1) Alternate Representative

In Home Support Services (IHSS) - Recipient or Consumer of IHSS Services - One (1) opening

Behavioral Health Commission - Family Member - One (1) opening & Public Interest - One (1) opening

Community Action Commission - One (1) Alternate

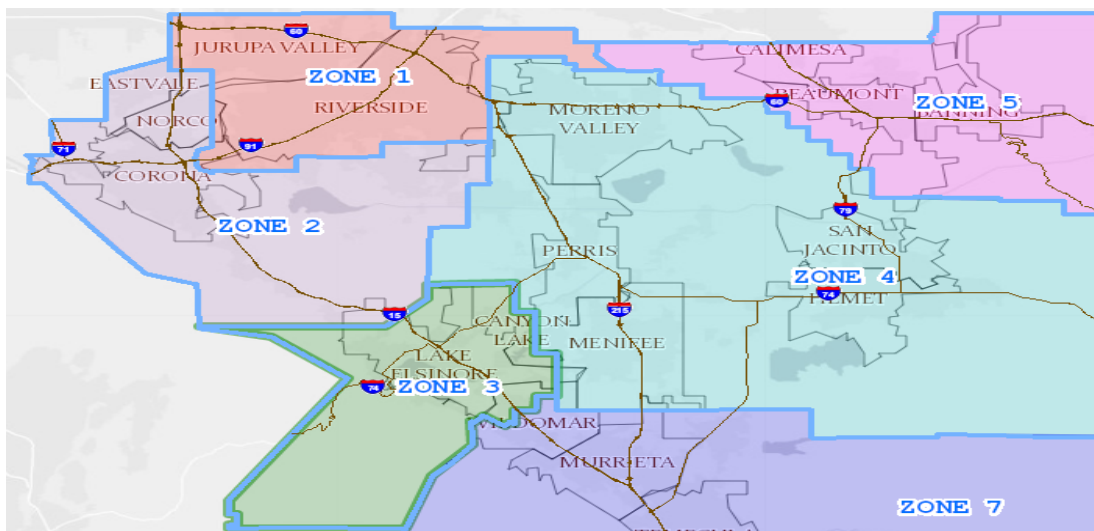
Assessment Appeals Board No. 3 - One (1) Alternate

Riverside County Flood Control Commission Zone 1 - One opening (see below)

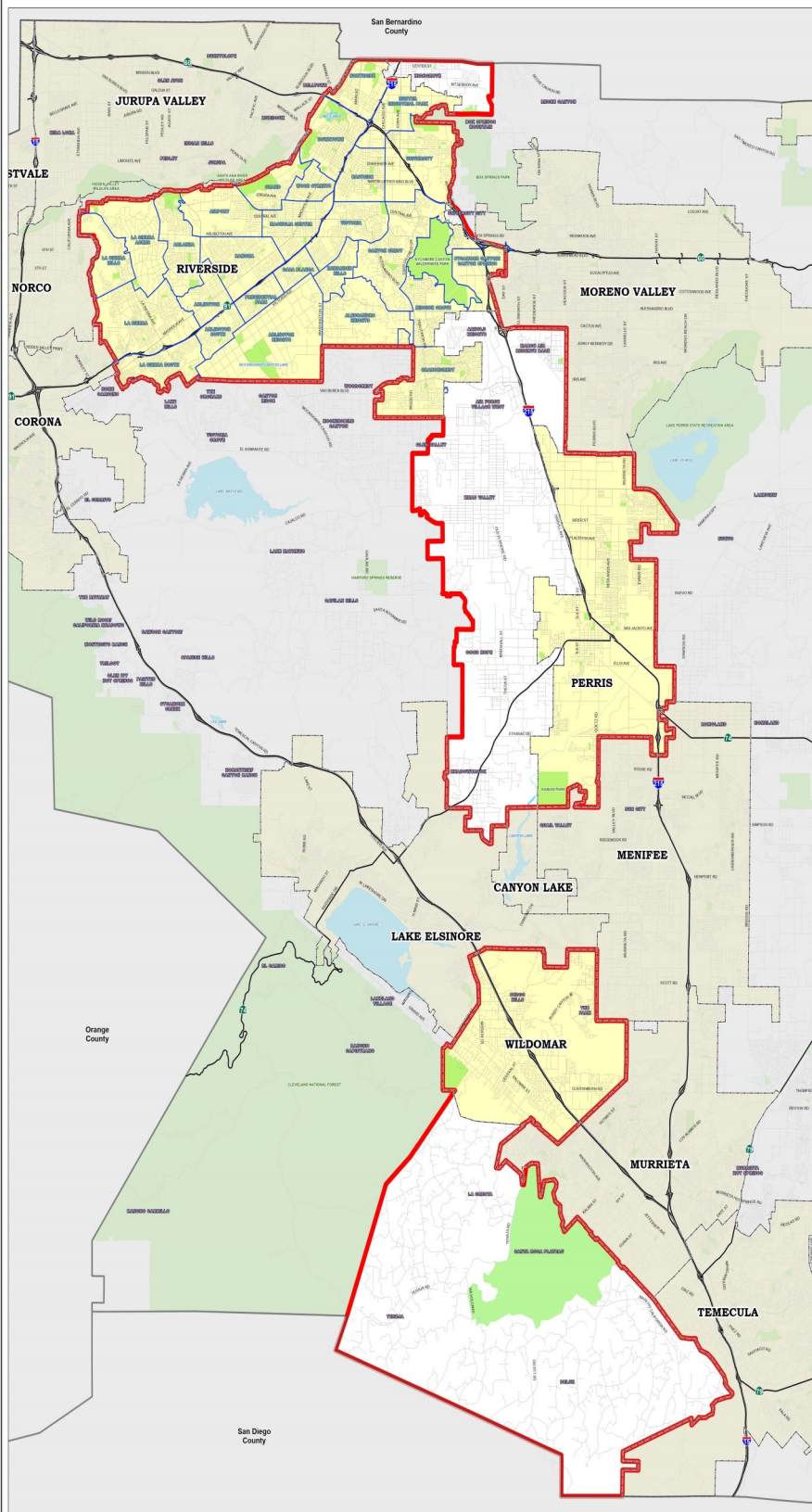
Open Position: Flood Control Commissioner

The First District has an opening on the Riverside County Flood Control Commission representing Zone 1. Commissioners serve as unpaid volunteers, attend a minimum of one annual meeting, to review the District's Annual Budget and Regional Drainage Plans. For more information visit the District's website at www.rcflood.org. To apply, please submit the online application available at www.supervisorjeffries.org

FLOOD ZONES



SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1 County of Riverside



First District Profile



Kevin Jeffries was elected in November 2012 to Represent the residents of the 1st Supervisorial District on the Riverside County Board of Supervisors. This district covers the cities of Riverside, Perris, and Wildomar, and the unincorporated communities including Highgrove, University City, Mead Valley, Good Hope, Meadowbrook, March Joint Powers Authority, La Cresta, Tenaja, and De Luz.

- Roads
- Highways
- City Boundaries
- Neighborhoods
- District 1 Boundary
- Parks
- Waterbodies

Supervisor Kevin Jeffries
District 1
(951) 955-1010

Representing the Cities of:
Riverside
Jurupa Valley (portion)
Perris
Wildomar



NOTE: Wildomar, La Cresta, Tenaja, and De Luz will move to the 3rd District in January of 2025.

Highgrove Community Cleanup



On Saturday, May 27, 2023 Highgrove had a neighborhood cleanup.

District 1 sends their appreciation to the many volunteers that came out to beautify our Highgrove community. Thank you to Riverside County Code Enforcement and Riverside County Housing and Workforce Solutions for their hard work on this event.

A total of 21.02 tons of general trash, 3.39 tons of metals and appliances, 2.52 tons of mattresses, 71 tires were collected and a total of 176 resident trip loads.



Mead Valley Urban Tree Program

On Saturday, June 3rd we had our second Mead Valley Shade Tree Giveaway! 450 trees were distributed to 150 families in the Mead Valley Area with the help of TreePeople and The Grove Community Church.



Our last Mead Valley Shade Tree Giveaway is scheduled for Saturday, July 8th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Mead Valley Community Center. This event is exclusively for Mead Valley residents and serves as an excellent opportunity to beautify our community while also promoting environmental health. Please bring an adequate vehicle to transport trees. For more information, email Alejandro M. at amontes@treepeople.org or leave a message at (909) 619-1594. Finally, please refer to the flyer to the left for full details.

Mead Valley SHADE TREE GIVEAWAY!

Event Details:

We're giving away shade trees exclusively to Mead Valley residents!

- Only residents of Mead Valley qualify - Proof of residency required.
- Maximum of 3 shade trees per residence - Residents who received tree in past events are disqualified for future events.
- Drive-Thru Only - first come-first serve - While supplies last.

Location:

Mead Valley Community Center
21091 Rider St, Perris, CA 92570

Date & Time:

- July 8, 2023
- 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

15 gallon trees - Please bring adequate vehicle to transport trees



Scan this QR Code for more information!



For more information, email Alejandro M. at amontes@treepeople.org or leave a message at (909) 619-1594



Mead Valley Updates

Mead Valley CERT Program



Riverside County Emergency Management Department held a three day Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program from June 9 to June 11 at the Mead Valley Community Center. This course was specifically for Spanish speaking community members. It was a huge success training local community members about emergency preparedness.



Mead Valley Fathers' Day Event

On Friday, June 16, 2023 The Mead Valley Senior Center hosted a Fathers' Day event to celebrate local fathers.



Upcoming Library Events

MOSES SCHAFER COMMUNITY CENTER

1ST & 3RD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH:
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

21565 Steele Peak Dr | Perris



CONNECT

MOBILE RESOURCE VAN SERVICES:

Learning Lounge - Just-in-time literacy support services, such as resume and job help

Family Literacy Programs - Programs to develop literacy skills as a family, such as Raising a Reader and STEAM programs

Adult One-on-One Sessions - Get one-on-one support to improve your reading, writing, listening, speaking and digital skills

Adult Small Group Sessions - Get support to improve your reading, writing, listening, speaking, digital and job skills as a group

Library Services - Book checkout/checkin, holds pickup/return, get a library card

Riverside County Library System
5840 Mission Blvd. | Riverside, Ca. 92509
www.rivlib.net | 951.369.3003

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CALIFORNIA
STATE LIBRARY

RIVERSIDE COUNTY
OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Riverside County
Library System



Riverside SummerFEEDS

SUMMER SITES OPEN MONDAY - FRIDAY
MAY 30 - AUGUST 4, 2023

ALL SITES CLOSED MONDAY, JUNE 19TH AND TUESDAY, JULY 4TH

Free lunch for those 18 and under



Arlington Park
3860 Van Buren Blvd.
11:30 - 1:00 p.m.

Bobby Bonds Park
2060 University Ave.
Noon - 1:30 p.m.

Bordwell Park
2008 Martin Luther King Blvd.
11:30 - 1:00 p.m.

Bryant Park
7950 Philbin St.
Noon - 1:30 p.m.

Don Jones Park
3995 Jefferson St.
11:00 - 12:30 p.m.

Don Lorenzi Park
4230 Jackson St.
11:00 - 12:30 p.m.

Hunt Park
4015 Jackson St.
Noon - 1:30 p.m.

La Sierra Park
5215 La Sierra Ave.
Noon - 1:30 p.m.

Nichols Park
5505 Dewey Ave.
11:30 - 1:00 p.m.

Reid Park
701 N. Orange St.
Noon - 1:30 p.m.

Villegas Park
3091 Esperanza St.
Noon - 1:30 p.m.

Washington Park
2769 Mary St.
11:30 - 1:00 p.m.



Eastside Library Serving Tue - Fri
4033 C Chicago Ave.
11:00 - 12:30 p.m.
Closed 6/19, 6/20, 7/4

Highgrove Library
530 W. Center St.
11:30 - 1:00 p.m.

Main Library Serving Tue - Fri
3900 Mission Inn Ave.
11:00 - 12:30 p.m.
Closed 6/19, 6/20, 7/4

Woodcrest Library
16625 Krameria Ave.
11:30 - 1:00 p.m.



**TO FIND YOUR NEAREST
SUMMERFEEDS SITE,
TEXT 'FOOD' TO 304-304**



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HOMEWORK HELP PROGRAM AT THE HIGHGROVE LIBRARY



Highgrove Library
530 Center St
Riverside CA 92507
951-682-1507

HOMEWORK HELP HOURS
TUES & THURS: 2PM - 6PM
WED: 1:30 PM - 6PM
FRI: 12 PM - 6PM
SAT: 10 AM - 3PM

Tutors courtesy of UCR College Corps



UCR
CollegeCorps



RIVERSIDE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM PRESENTS



HIGHGROVE LIBRARY
530 W CENTER ST
RIVERSIDE CA 92507
(951) 682-1507

**FREE LUNCH FOR
THOSE 18 AND UNDER
MON-FRI**

**05/30/23-
8/4/23
11:30 AM-
1:00 PM
MONDAY - FRIDAY**

Lunch at the Library is a project of the California State Library, supported with funds from the State of California.
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HIGHGROVE LIBRARY
530 W CENTER ST, RIV CA 92507

(951) 682 - 1507






RIVERSIDE COUNTY YOUTH COMMISSION

Requirements to Join

- Attend a high school within Riverside County
- Be able to attend bi-weekly meetings and service events
- Eager to make changes in your community

Open Recruitment!

Join the Riverside County Youth Commission today and learn how you can serve your community, gain leadership skills and make your voice heard. Serve on one of our five Youth Advisory Councils under the Board of Supervisors and become a leader of tomorrow!

Interested in joining?
Scan QR code to complete an interest form:




@RivCoYAC
www.rivcoyac.org


Coming soon!

Grant & technical assistance opportunities available through the **RIVERSIDE COUNTY NONPROFIT ASSISTANCE FUND (RCNAF)**

DIRECT FINANCIAL SUPPORT & ASSISTANCE GRANTS Administered by Inland SoCal United Way 	Direct Financial Support & Assistance Grants are specifically designed to address Riverside County 501 (c)(3) or 501 (c)(19) nonprofit organizations that experienced public health or negative economic impacts due to the pandemic. Grants provided under this category will assist impacted nonprofits recover from pandemic impacts and will help build nonprofit capacity. The anticipated grant level is \$50,000-\$150,000 per nonprofit, to be awarded to approximately 50-60 grantees total.
PROGRAMMATIC GRANTS Administered by Inland Empire Community Foundation 	Programmatic Grants seek to financially support programming and services for disproportionately impacted communities including those communities with low Healthy Places Index (HPI) scores to advance the County's HPI goals and initiatives. The anticipated grant level is \$50,000-\$150,000 per nonprofit to be awarded to approximately 30-40 grantees.
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE Administered by Regional Access Project Foundation 	Technical assistance (TA) will be provided to Riverside County nonprofits to gain specialized services or skills to operate more effectively, strengthen sustainability, build capacity by leveraging financial resources and improve core operations. The expected outcomes of the TA will be to improve nonprofits' long-term financial stability and to help them prepare for future funding opportunities to advance countywide outcomes. Preference will be given to nonprofits with operational budgets of less than \$1 million.
MORE INFORMATION The RCNAF is a project of the Riverside County Department of Housing and Workforce Solutions 	The Riverside County Nonprofit Assistance Fund was established to build on Riverside County's efforts to strengthen, expand, and support the local nonprofit sector which has played a critical role in the COVID-19 pandemic response. An interest list is currently being collected. When the Request for Proposals and applications are available, you will be notified. To request to be added to the interest list, please email: GrantApplicants@iscuw.org



IF YOU LIGHT IT, WE'LL WRITE IT.





Do You Need Help With Your Utility Bills?

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE UTILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS CAN HELP!

SERVICES

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) helps families with energy costs which may include electric, gas, propane, and/or weatherization services.

Low Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) provides funds to assist low-income households with past due water and/or sewer bills.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY

- Current utility bills (electric, gas, propane, water)
- Proof of household income (last 4 weeks)
- Photo ID and social security card
- Birth certificate, US passport, or proof of legal residency

CONTACT COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP AND APPLY TODAY

P.O. Box 5760
Riverside, CA 92517

energy@capriverside.org
www.capriverside.org

(951) 955-4900

REPORT ILLEGAL FIREWORKS IN RIVERSIDE COUNTY

1 (800) 950-2444

JOIN OUR TEAM



We are looking for professionals who are willing to support and improve the health, safety, well-being and independence of our county's families

OPEN DPSS POSITIONS

- Eligibility Technician I/II
- Social Services Practitioner III
- and many more!!



BENEFITS INCLUDE

- Medical, Vision, Dental
- Competitive Work Schedules
- 12 Paid Holidays Per Year
- Vacation and Sick Time Accruals
- 457b Deferred Compensation Plan
- CalPERS Pension
- Education Support Program

APPLY TODAY!

Scan the QR code to see more employment opportunities.

For all Riverside County job openings, visit: RC-HR.com



Scan To Apply

For more information please visit us at: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/riverside/dpssjobs>

Incumbent Worker Training (IWT) is an employer-sponsored program that provides grant funding to assist eligible businesses offset the cost of training for their existing (incumbent) workers. Its intent is to create a stronger workforce for workers and employers with the opportunity to build and maintain a quality workforce and avert layoffs.



INCUMBENT WORKER ELIGIBILITY

- Be employed
- At least 18 years of age
- U.S. Citizen or a non-citizen whose status permits employment in U.S.
- Males must be registered for Selective Service
- Meet Fair Labor Standards Act
- Established employment with employer for 6 months or more

EMPLOYER ELIGIBILITY

- Have a need to upgrade skills of their employees to remain competitive in their industry or the economy
- Can meet the shared cost requirement
- Private sector, non-profit, and local government entities
- Employer must be in operation for at least 12 months
- Current on all state and federal tax obligations

HOW OUR PROGRAM WORKS:



- Meet your local Workforce Development representative
- If you're an employer, we'll help you identify current employees who need retraining and upskilling, and provide training
- If you're an employee, we'll help you identify interests, strengths, and skills you can build upon

Contact the Riverside County Employer Services Team at 833-303-4333 or employerservices@rivco.org or by visiting www.rivcoworkforce.org

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What is OJT? On-the-Job Training (OJT) is a FREE program that allows a business to hire and train a new employee while actually performing the job.



WHAT IS REQUIRED?

- Business located in Riverside County
- 32 hrs/week minimum
- Trainee must be covered by Worker's Compensation
- Job may not be temporary or seasonal
- Wage must be prevailing rate within the company
- Wage may not be commission or piecework based
- Position must be in a high-demand industry/occupation

HOW IT WORKS

- The OJT program matches qualified job seekers with businesses who are in need of full-time skilled workers. OJT will reimburse a business **50%** of the employee salary up to 480 hours of training.

CONTACT US ABOUT ON-THE-JOB TRAINING TODAY!

RIVERSIDE
1325 Spruce Street
Suite 110
Riverside, CA 92507
951-955-3100

HEMET
749 North State Street
Hemet, CA 92543
951-791-3500

INDIO
44-199 Monroe Street
Suite B
Indio, CA 92201
760-863-2500

MORENO VALLEY
12625 Frederick Street
Suite K-3
Moreno Valley, CA 92553
(951) 413-3920

BLYTHE
1 College Drive
PE Building
Blythe, CA 92225
(760) 640-3144



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RIVERSIDE COUNTY'S EXPANDED SUBSIDIZED EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM



FAST TRACK RECRUITMENT AND HIRING



HOW IT WORKS:

- We provide custom recruiting and candidate matching services
- Eligible candidates go through an extensive employment readiness and pre-screening process
- You interview pre-screened candidates and make the hiring decision!



WAGE SUBSIDY:

100% of employee's gross hourly wage reimbursed for up to 6 months*

EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS:

1. Online County vendor registration enrollment
2. Complete the employer agreement
3. Submit wage subsidy requests

FOR MORE INFORMATION

CALL : (760) 863-2521

EMAIL : ariperez@rivco.org

*Limited time only, employee start date must be prior to 6/30/2022. Employee hire dates on/after 7/1/2022 reimbursed at standard 50% wage subsidy.