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Job Experience or a Degree or both? With over 70% of our county residents 25 years of age and older not having a college degree, and with most or many job openings at the county of Riverside requiring some form of degree as the default qualification, is the County locking out hundreds or thousands of otherwise qualified applicants from seeking and obtaining local employment? At a time when our departments are desperate to fill vacant positions, we need to determine if we are handicapping our own efforts. Our office is going to propose that our County do a little soul searching and determine what unnecessary barriers we have created to employment across multiple job classifications and look for ways to make the County application process and eligibility criteria more user friendly for our constituents and potential future County employees.

Turpin Report Being Held Up. For those of you following the hard-hitting news coverage on the Turpin Children and the reported partial breakdown of services to assist those and other children (and adults) who need care and assistance, it is taking longer to get to the bottom of this issue than we had hoped. The short version is, the retired federal judge that was hired by the County to conduct a full investigation into the various social services, has not been able to obtain court authorization to conduct the deep dive and evaluate what went wrong and what needs to change. It has been reported elsewhere that the County is withholding these documents, but a court must approve any investigation into the care of any juvenile as their privacy and the services they receive is fully protected by State law. This is one of the reasons these cases can so easily get stuck in the bureaucracy. The final report is now due at the end of May, but if you would like to read the initial update from the Ad Hoc Committee (which I was appointed to) on what the County is doing to improve services, and/or my expanded official comments on the matter please click here https://tinyurl.com/AdHocReportMarch29 and/or here https://tinyurl.com/ JeffriesAdHocComments

Break Out the Weed Eaters! Although I'm not sure it ever ends anymore, the traditional wildland fire season is about to kick off. The grasses/weeds/fuels are tall and quickly turning brown. During my previous volunteer firefighter days, the homes that had good clearance of ground vegetation and tree limbs around them were the easiest to defend and save. So do yourself and your local firefighters a favor and help them help you and make sure your property is ready. For more information on fire hazard reduction, see: <u>https://www.nfpa.org/Public-Education/Fire-causes-and-risks/Wildfire/Preparing-homes-for-wildfire</u>

A Contact Sport? Three seats on the Board of Supervisors are up for reelection in 2022. Yet only one seat drew a challenger – that being in the Fifth District (Hewitt). While the other two incumbents (Spiegel & Perez) have

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worked very hard and are thoroughly engaged in their respective districts, which certainly discourages opponents, I can't help but wonder if the political environment (at nearly all levels) has become so confrontational and hostile that people aren't as interested in running. Many good people are just not willing to run the gauntlet or have protestors in front of their homes or be confronted while shopping for groceries. Seeking and holding elected public office is not for the faint of heart, or for those with thin skin. Elected officials meet a lot of really good caring individuals and some really hard-nosed cusses, but it seems like more and more of the latter lately. But that does come with the job.

As always, feel free to email us with your suggestions or comments to help improve Riverside County or if you need help with a county government matter.

Respectfully,

Kevin Jeffries



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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. If you feel you have the time to dedicate to making the district a better place feel free to apply online at www.supervisorjeffries.com, under Boards & Commissions

El Sobrante Landfill Citizens Oversight Committee, One (I) "at large" opening

Advisory Council of Aging- One (1) Opening

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

Behavioral Health Commission - Family Member - One (1) opening

Lakeland Village Community Advisory Council— One (1) Alternate

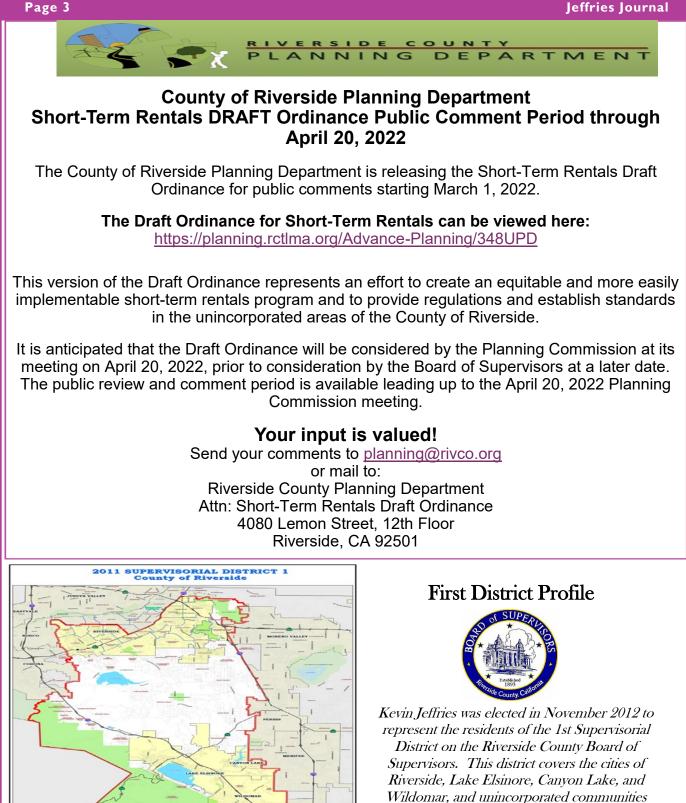
Woodcrest Municipal Advisory Council (MAC) - One (1) Alternate

First 5 Advisory Committee- One (1) opening

Riverside County Flood Control Commission—Zone I and Zone 3—Two openings,

one in each Zone (see map: www.rcflood.org/About-the-District/District-Zones-2021)

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including Woodcrest, Lake Mathews, Mead Valley, Temescal Valley, Good Hope, Lakeland Village, El Cariso, Meadowbrook, La Cresta, Tenaja, DeLuz and Spring Hills.

1st Dístríct Volunteer of the Year **Bridgette Moore**



Bridgette Moore and her husband, Stewart, have lived in Wildomar for 23 years. She began volunteering and helped reopen parks in her community. In 2008, Wildomar became a city and Bridgette was elected to the Inaugural City Council. Bridgette was the first woman to serve as Mayor of Wildomar in 2010. Bridgette is actively involved and volunteers her time with various organizations such as Caring Hearts for Veterans and Community, Boy Scouts of America, Cops for Kids, Wildomar Rotary Club, Elsinore Wildomar Elks Lodge #2591, VFW Auxiliary Post #1508. She also started Wildomar Community and Parks Foundation a non-profit in Wildomar and helped create the Wildomar Beautification Volunteers movement in 2020.

Bridgette spends countless hours out in the community cleaning and organizing daily events, supplies, and encouraging others to get involved in the community.

Thank you Bridgette for all you do in the community.

Bridgette and members of the Wildomar Beautification Volunteers will be honored at the April 26th Board Meeting during our Volunteers of the Year Presentation.

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1st Dístríct Volunteer Organízatíon of the Year **Wildomar Beautification Volunteers**



Supervisor Jeffries has selected the Wildomar Beautification Volunteers as the First District Volunteer Organization of the Year. In July 2020, Wildomar Councilwoman Bridgette Moore asked Mayor Pro Tem Joseph Morabito if he would accompany her on a litter pick up. They quickly saw that once a month would not make a dent so they planned for every week. Residents started joining in and a movement was started! The residents have created this wonderful group and have about 20 dedicated volunteers that are out in the community consistently. In 2022, they started picking up litter everyday. In addition, they have adopted 4 miles of the I15 freeway within the City.

Their totals for 2021: Hours 1, 323 hours Bags 1,352





Fisher Street Receives New Pavement

Recently our Riverside County Transportation Department finished a much needed facelift for Fisher Street.

New pavement from Marshall all the way to Cox was completed for residents. Many thanks to all the residents who came out to say "thank you" and send us emails about the great work!

BIG thank you to our TRANS team as well!!

New LED Sign Installed & Pickle Ball court too!

Supervisor Jeffries and Mead Valley MAC members welcomed the new LED sign and pickleball court to the community center.

Thank you to one of our local business owners who covered the entire cost of the pickleball court for the community! Also, thanks to The Grove for being a partner with us on the installation of the LED sign.

Great TEAMWORK for our community!



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Youth Advisory Council

On March 5th, our YAC students teamed up with the Riverside Chamber of Commerce and went out to Rutland Park in the City of Riverside and picked up litter. Huge thanks to Angel Sauceda-Izarraras, Marcus Belarmino, and Saman Chawla for volunteering their time and cleaning up our community. Also, thank you Jordan Morris, our YAC intern, for your leadership and for organizing this event.







Attention High School Seniors:

^{\$}500 Scholarships Available Deadline May 13, 2022



RMCCF COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP NOW OPEN

This fund provides recognition and financial support to graduating juniors and seniors currently attending Riverside County high schools who want to pursue a career in the medical field within the Inland Southern California area.

Funds can be used for college application fees, supplies or costs related to the study of their chosen field.

Ten \$500 scholarships will be awarded. For more information visit RMCcharity.org or call 951.321.6513.

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Lakeland Village Clean Up

The Lakeland Village Community Clean Up on March 26, 2022 was very successful. 333 vehicles went through the event and dropped off their items including 129 tires. Thank you to all the community members who participated in the community clean up on Grand Ave the same day. Thank you to CR&R and the Department of Waste Resources for another successful community event.













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FREE 8-week book rotation program for families with children aged 0-5

Children borrow award-winning, multicultural books to take home each week to read with their parents/caregivers



Join the Family Resource Center (FRC) at the Mead Valley Community Center for this fun new program!!

For more information you can contact the FRC Center at 951.210.1550 or you can go to the link listed below for more information or to register online.

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TUES	Lakeland Village Community Center 10:00 a.m12:00 p.m. 16275 Grand Ave., Lake Elsinore, 92530 Perris Valley Family Resource Center 2:00 p.m4:00 p.m. 2055 N Perris Blvd., Perris, 92571
WED	DeLeo Sports Park 2:00 p.m4:00 p.m. 25655 Santiago Canyon Rd., Corona, 92883
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- ✓ Labor Market Info

IHSS Registry Caregiver

Do you have the caring and compassionate heart of a caregiver?

The In Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Public Authority is actively recruiting for more caregivers to join the registry.

IHSS caregivers are needed to provide assistance to elderly and disabled individuals who are approved for IHSS services.

Caregiver responsibilities are based upon the needs of the IHSS recipient they work for and can vary from domestic tasks like laundry and meal prep, to more personal tasks such as feeding and bathing.

- No experience necessary
- Flexible work schedule
- · Great supplemental income
- Benefits available
- Access to training

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All applicants must pass a Department of Justice Background Check and Drug & Alcohol Screening.

SCAN ME

A new State of California health order requires all IHSS providers to be fully vaccinated before providing care to an IHSS registry recipient.

Must have a government issued photo ID and original social security card.

Apply online at <u>RiversideIHSS.org</u>



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Visit RiversideTransit.com for details. = : 1 1 -

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The County of Riverside is seeking qualified applicants to assist with the upcoming election.

- Both Day and Night Shifts available (May require Mandatory Overtime)
- Fast paced environment
- Regular work with ballot processing. customer service and warehouse responsibilities (Must be flexible to work in various roles when needed)
- Team oriented environment where individuals can provide public service and fulfill their civic duty.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Experience: Customer service experience which involved meeting the public, obtaining and recording factual information or explaining rules, regulations, policies, or procedures.

Knowledge: Perform routine clerical work; learn office practices, procedures and equipment; make simple arithmetic calculations; understand and follow written and oral instructions; establish and maintain cooperative relations with the public.

Ability to: Perform non-sedentary duties; Regularly lift over 25 pounds; Work in a fast-paced environment. (for some positions)

License/Certificate: Possession of a valid California Driver's License. (for some positions)

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