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Kevin's Corner

This month is a very quick review of numerous issues, challenges, or opportunities occurring within the First District.

City of Riverside: The County Board of Supervisors (BOS) joined with the Riverside City Council to oppose the potential loss of the 91 Free HOV lanes through Riverside by converting them into toll lanes. The public outcry was heard at the subsequent Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) meeting, and the commission tabled a study (for roughly two years) that could have advanced the "toll lane" proposal.

LaCresta/Tenaja: The recent Tenaja wildland fire has pointed out the public safety challenges for rural residents living in Very High Fire Danger zones. With only two public roads in & out of the communities, and both of them having been closed during the recent fire, it highlights the need to not only evaluate potential new escape routes (or shelter in place practices), but also the wisdom of allowing any future large developments in very rural, high fire danger portions of our county.

Mead Valley: Just a few weeks ago, I was over-ruled by my colleagues on the BOS, and a millionplus square foot mega-warehouse was approved on a 3-2 vote. I had also been working on a Good Neighbor warehouse policy, for warehouses that are proposed to be built next to homes, or schools, and other "sensitive receptors." The draft of that policy was also recently discussed by the full Board, and it is very clear that the Board is divided on the issue of minimum distances between the proposed warehouse and nearby homes, as well as the traffic, noise, and air quality impacts. Stay tuned!

Temescal Valley: During a recent RCTC committee, the staff presented a proposal to someday evaluate extending several commuter rail lines in portions of Riverside County. One proposed area was the Temescal Valley, from Corona down to Lake Elsinore and perhaps beyond. Unfortunately, it was apparent that RCTC and county had NOT been comparing notes. Riverside County Parks, County Transportation, County Flood Control, and the National Parks Service have been planning and working to acquire land to extend a multi-purpose public trail along the same route RCTC was evaluating for a future train route. We can all debate which project would serve the greater public good – but there is no debate that two groups should work this out in advance so that our limited taxes dollars are not wasted fighting and competing with each other.

Lake Mathews: A large and successful local nursery operation whose rapid growth has been impacting its rural neighbors with large delivery trucks, employee traffic, grading, and water run-off concerns, and a few unpermitted facilities, has agreed to various deadlines to come into compliance. The company has also recently agreed to make some important roadway improvements to accommodate the tractor trailer rigs, employee vehicles, and the neighbors who use the narrow rural neighborhood roads every day. It's a start!

Claim Your Money? Does the State of California have some of your money? Check online at www.claimit.ca.gov today!

As always, if you have suggestions or comments – please feel free to drop us a note.

Respectfully, Kevin Jeffries

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Local District #1 Events

Lakeland Village Community Clean Up

Lakeland Village residents turned out in force for the community clean up held on September 14th 2019. Everything from tires to plywood and mattresses were brought to be dumped at the clean up.

Over 58 tons of trash was dropped off by 265 residents. Over 200 tires were also dropped off to be taken away.

Huge thank you to CR&R and their staff for making this clean up possible for our community and to our community members for helping to make Lakeland Village cleaner.





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

In Home Support Services (IHSS) - Recipient of IHSS Services

Behavioral Health Commission - Contact our office for details on eligibility

County Archives Commission - Opening pending (seeking qualified applicants)

Lakeland Village Community Advisory Council - Board Member

Local District #1 Events

Local Officials Celebrate Renovated Ag. Line

Riverside County Flood Control, Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District and the City of Lake Elsinore joined forces to repurpose an old abandoned agriculture pipe and turn it into a new conveyance for recycled water for Lake Elsinore. The project will reduce the amount of water lost to evaporation in the open Temescal Wash Channel and significantly shrink the maintenance costs incurred by the County when clearing out the vegetation each year. This will free up funds for maintenance elsewhere in the Valley. The pipe will convey up to 6 million gallons of recycled water a day to the lake. Each jurisdiction shared in the cost and all the residents will enjoy the benefits.





Non-Profit Spotlight

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Inland Empire

For more than 100 years, Big Brothers Big Sisters has operated under the belief that inherent in every child is the ability to succeed and thrive in life. As the nation's largest donor and volunteer supported mentoring network, Big Brothers Big Sisters makes meaningful, monitored matches between adult volunteers ("Bigs") and children ("Littles"), ages 6 through 18, in communities across the country. We develop positive relationships that have a direct and lasting effect on the lives of young people.

The Big Brothers Big Sisters Mission is to help children reach their potential through one-to-one relationships with mentors that have a measurable impact on youth.

The Big Brothers Big Sisters Vision is successful mentoring relationships for all children who need and want them, contributing to brighter futures, better schools, and stronger communities for all.

National research has shown that positive relationships between Littles and their Bigs have a direct and measurable impact on children's lives. By participating in our programs, Little Brothers and Sisters are:

- more confident in their schoolwork performance
- able to get along better with their families
- 46% less likely to begin using illegal drugs
- 27% less likely to begin using alcohol
- 52% less likely to skip school.

To get involved, please visit: <u>http://www.iebigs.org</u>





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

Free Legal Clinics For Veterans

Veterans and dependents get free legal advice on civil matters

The Riverside County Veterans' Services and Veterans Legal Institute (VLI) now offer free legal clinics for at risk and low income veterans and their dependents.

Veterans are invited to receive free legal advice and assistance on civil matters on the topics of: healthcare, landlord and tenant housing, immigration, discharge upgrades, bankruptcy, license renewals, consumer law, estate planning and expungements.

"Veterans have a tremendous need for legal services in Riverside county," said Grant Gautsche, director of Riverside County Department of Veterans' Services. "By partnering with the Veterans Legal Institute and receiving Prop 63 grant funds, we now have a great opportunity for veterans and their dependents to get the legal assistance they need."

The \$49,000 grant could benefit approximately 100 veterans.

The free legal clinics take place every third Tuesday of the month from 9:00 a.m. to noon at the Riverside County Department of Veterans' Services located at 4360 Orange St. in Riverside. The next available clinic is October 15th.

Interested veterans are encouraged to set up an appointment as walk-ins are not guaranteed. For more information please call (951) 955-3060.



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Riverside County District Attorney's Office 2020 CITIZENS' ACADEMY

Get a look at the Criminal Justice System... FROM THE INSIDE

Ribbon Cutting, Tour and Supporting American Diabetes Association

Thursday, October 10, 2019 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm 21634 Retreat Parkway Temescal Valley, CA

Please R.S.V.P. by September 30th at (951) 782-6212

In honor of Riverside Medical Clinic's ceremony to cut the red ribbon of our new Temescal Valley Clinic, we want to cut diabetes too!

Join us for cocktails as well as help us raise donations and awareness for the American Diabetes Association while viewing our new facility

Your monetary donation will make a difference in the fight against diabetes

Silent Auction including cosmetic procedures, LASIK procedure, winery membership, Fox theatre tickets and more



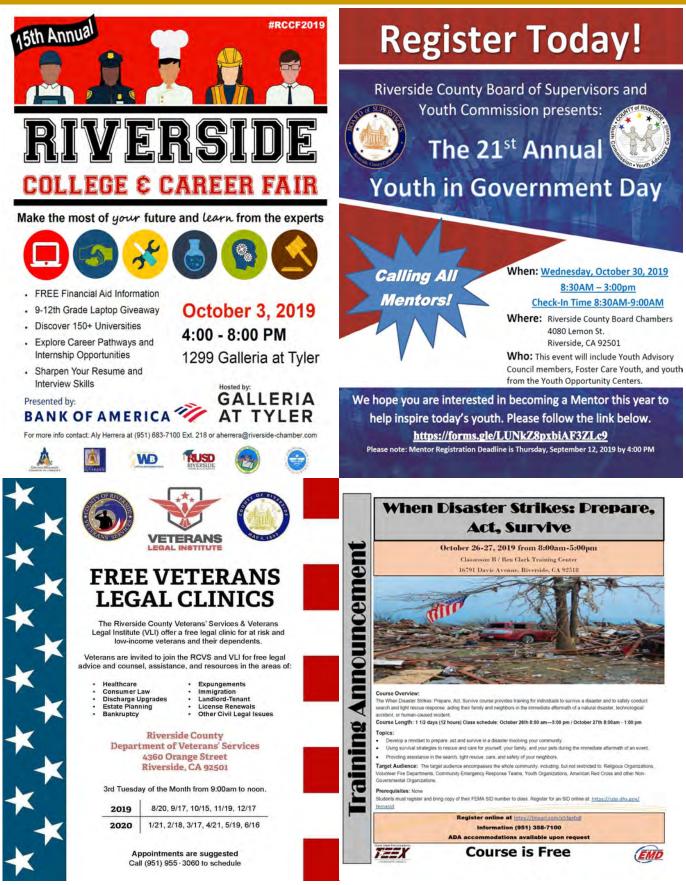
for a ten-week course that provides an inside look at the function of the District Attorney's Office in Riverside County. Participants will receive a comprehensive tutorial regarding the judicial process with seminars led by Riverside's top prosecutors, investigators, police and other public safety officials.

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