# SUPERVISOR KEVIN JEFFRIES RIVERSIDE COUNTY DISTRICT #1



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### **Kevin's Corner**

The Judge Wants You! Superior Court Presiding Judge John W. Vineyard has put out the call for citizens who are able and willing to serve on the 2020-2021 Grand Jury in Riverside. Are you a good listener? Perhaps some inquisitive investigator-like skills? Simply want good government? Go online to complete the Grand Jury application at:

www.riverside.courts.ca.gov. While you are thinking about Volunteering, also consider volunteering to serve as a Poll Worker during the upcoming March election. For more information, visit the Registrar of Voters at: <a href="https://voteinfo.net/EOapp.asp">https://voteinfo.net/EOapp.asp</a>. You actually get paid a little for helping make the democratic process work! See page 7 for more information on these opportunities.

Pensions Costs Hit Home! As CalPERS once again misses its investment return target to fully fund its guaranteed pension checks to retired employees, local governments all across our state will feel the financial pain of having to fill the financial void. Riverside County will be one of those local governments feeling the pain as it writes an even bigger check (approximately \$300 million more by 2023) to fill the CalPERS gap and broken promises. While many, including some in the media, wag their fingers at the local city councils and county supervisors for not "fixing" the problem, the fact is they cannot fix it. It (investment policies and priorities and guaranteed retirement benefits) can ONLY be fixed or adjusted by the CalPERS Governing Board, State Legislature and/or California Supreme Court. Even though I do NOT accept a pension for my service as a County Supervisor, this growing issue has everyone concerned — both those who write the checks, those who receive the checks, and most certainly all of us taxpayers and residents who depend on affordable government services to keep our communities safe and prosperous.

Cannabis Industry Taking A Nap? In 2016, California voters (including a majority of voters in Riverside County) gave the green light for legalizing and regulating cannabis retail facilities and cultivation. That was immediately followed by hundreds of future cannabis entrepreneurs seeking approval from the State and County to open new retail facilities and cultivation sites. In October 2018, the Board of Supervisors approved a regulatory framework and ranking system for the first round of applicants. Over a year later, a way forward in allowing the second round of applicants will likely be considered in March or April. At the same time, there are signs that the cannabis entrepreneurs are perhaps pulling back a bit. A number of local cities have permitted retail facilities, and cannabis deliveries to your home now cross city and county boundaries. But quite a few of those applicants chosen to move forward last year haven't aggressively pursued receiving their final permits, and surprisingly few have attempted to obtain cultivation and manufacturing permits. Has the lure of instant riches given way to the realities of steep business regulations, high state taxes, and permitting challenges? The majority of us on the Board of Supervisors have shown little interest in relaxing zoning regulations and allowing new cannabis cultivation or retail facilities in any residential areas, so the potential for new sites remain pretty limited in our rural communities. Stay tuned as we all work our way through this new business sector.

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Wildfire Escape Routes. The First District office has been working with the Fire Department, Transportation staff and our Emergency Management Department to help the rural residents of DeLuz, Tenaja and La Cresta (all located west of Temecula, Murrieta & Wildomar) prepare for large scale wildfires and the evacuations that follow (and the sometimes confusing or limited ways out to safety). Many of these rural communities also have short-term rental (aka: special event) homes that can literally attract a hundred guests and their vehicles on very narrow brush-lined rural roads. This could be a recipe for disaster. If you live in one of these rural communities, please stay in touch with your HOA and/or our office for upcoming community meetings.

Respectfully,

Kevin Jeffries First District Supervisor

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

Advisory Council on Aging—Open (seeking qualified applicants)

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During the January Temescal Valley Municipal Advisory Council meeting, residents and local elected officials joined the Waste Management El Sobrante Landfill to congratulate the winners of the 7th Annual Temescal Valley America Recycles Day Calendar Art Contest.

Sponsored by a Waste Management Think Green Grant, the contest challenged children who live in the Temescal Valley area to depict the positive effects recycling has on the community.

During the contest awards ceremony, Supervisor Kevin Jeffries presented personalized certificates to the winners and congratulated them for their environmental stewardship. Waste Management also gave the children prize bags and awarded a combined total of \$2,000 in school donations to the top winners.

1st place and winner of \$800 school donation: Amanda Long, El Cerrito Middle School 2nd place and winner of \$600 school donation: Isabella Esquivel, Temescal Valley Elementary School 3rd place and winner of \$400 school donation: Ashley Mosley, Todd Elementary School 4th place and winner of \$200 school donation: Adeliz Lopez, Todd Elementary School





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Supervisor Kevin Jeffries recently attended the 2020 Installation dinner for Latino Network, held in the City of Riverside. In attendance with Supervisor Jeffries was Second District Supervisor Karen Spiegel, State Assembly member Jose Medina, Riverside City Councilmember Andy Melendrez along with Latino Network founder, Ofelia Valdez Yeager and current Chairwoman, Araceli Ruiz.

A great time was had by all as everyone enjoyed great food, music and friendship. Congratulations to all the new 2020 Latino Network board members.



Heart disease is the No. 1 cause of death.



Simple healthy choices lead to more quality years in your life.

www.heart.org

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### Idaleona Road, Paved!

Riverside County Transportation Department recently completed the paving of Idaleona Road in the Lake Mathews area for the community, as well as making access to Harford Springs Reserve safer.

Still more work needs to be completed with the road, but as you can see (left side) the heavy work has been resolved.

Got suggestions for a road to be paved? Be sure to reach out to our office so we can pass it along to the transportation department.

### **APPLY TODAY!**



### **WRCOG FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**

Priority Application Deadline: March 1, 2020 Standard Application Deadline: March 31, 2020

Please direct any questions or requests for additional information to Rachel Singer <a href="mailto:rsinger@wrcog.us">rsinger@wrcog.us</a>.
Fellowship Application Link: <a href="https://bit.ly/384LiPQ">https://bit.ly/384LiPQ</a>



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### Air Force Village West Drive Clean Up!!

HUGE thanks go out to our volunteers from the community and county staff who volunteered their time to come out and join Supervisor Jeffries and National Cemetery staff in cleaning up Air Force Village West Drive between Van Buren & Nandina Ave. Over 10 tons of trash and 300+ tires were picked up on Saturday by everyone. Thank you to National Cemetery staff, they really did a lot of the heavy lifting with all the equipment!

















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### County recruiting poll workers for March 3 Primary Election

Poll workers are needed at voting locations throughout Riverside County for the upcoming March 3 primary election. No experience is required, and training will be provided by the Registrar of Voters office. Poll workers may earn up to \$125 as Precinct Inspectors or \$90 as Precinct Officers. Poll workers must attend a training class to familiarize themselves with election procedures and prepare to assist voters when the polls open at 7 a.m. on Election Day. Workers in both posts will receive an additional stipend for attending the training class.

The Riverside County Registrar of Voters is also seeking individuals who are proficient in English and at least one of the following languages: Chinese (both Cantonese and Mandarin), Korean, Spanish, Tagalog, Vietnamese, or American Sign Language.

Anyone who wishes to participate as a poll worker should call the Registrar of Voters office at (951) 486-7341 or (877) 663-9906 or visit <a href="https://voteinfo.net/EOapp.asp">https://voteinfo.net/EOapp.asp</a>.

Application is available here: https://voteinfo.net/polls/EOapp.pdf

High School students 16 years or older are also able to participate, but have a few additional requirements. The Student Poll Worker Program is an ideal opportunity for students to both participate and learn the value of civic participation and democracy. To find out the details, please visit: <a href="https://voteinfo.net/polls/Student.asp">https://voteinfo.net/polls/Student.asp</a>

### **Court Now Accepting Civil Grand Juror Applications**

The Riverside County Superior Court is now accepting applications from qualified citizens interested in being nominated to serve as civil grand jurors for the time period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

Duties include, but are not limited to, investigating the operations of county government, researching matters of civic concern, and inquiring into public offenses.

A per diem, plus mileage, is paid to defray expenses. Additional information about volunteering for the civil grand jury can be located here.

For more information about the Grand Jury and to access the application, please visit: https://www.riverside.courts.ca.gov/Divisions/GrandJury/grand-jury.php

Applications must be postmarked by March 27, 2020, and should be submitted to:

Superior Court of California County of Riverside Jury Services Division P.O. Box 400 Riverside, CA 92502 Page 8 Jeffries Journal

### **Non-Profit Spotlight**

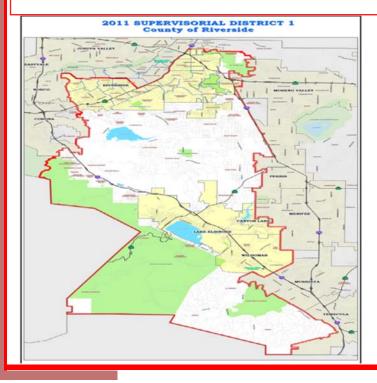
# League of United Latin American Citizens of Riverside, Council No. 3190 (LULAC)



The League of United Latin American Citizens is the largest and oldest Hispanic organization in the United States. The mission of LULAC is to advance the economic conditions, educational attainment, political influence, health and civil rights of Hispanic Americans through community-based programs operating at more than 900 LULAC councils nationwide. The organization involves and serves all Hispanic nationality groups.

LULAC Riverside, No. 3190 was established in 2010 to enhance the Riverside community through health fairs, civic engagement and community building events. In 2011, LULAC Riverside hosted their first annual health fair/dental clinic on the campus of Riverside Community College. The event has been greatly expanded since that time and now includes community partners such as the Tzu Chi Foundation, The Flying Doctors, the Lions Club "Friends In Sight" program, Riverside Community College School of Cosmetology, Riverside University Health System, local dentists and doctors, as well as many community volunteers who provide medical consultations, dental services, mammograms, acupuncture, vision screenings, blood pressure screenings, diabetes screenings, mental health education, haircuts and other community resources. All services were provided free of charge.

This year's health fair will be held on Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Riverside. For more information about LULAC Riverside, No. 3190, visit: http://lulacofriverside.com/



### 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. Page 9 Jeffries Journal

#### This FREE training is provided by:



#### WHERE & WHEN:

Friday-Sunday, February 7-9, 2020 at Deleo Regional Sports Park 25655 Santiago Canyon Rd. Temescal Valley, CA 92883

Friday, 5:00pm-9:00pm Saturday and Sunday, 8:00am-5:00pm



### **REGISTER AT:**

https://tinyurl.com/TEMESCALVALLEY 2020

For more information or

ADA assistance contact us:

951-955-4700

EMDVolunteer@rivco.org



#### **Building Resilient Communities**

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for the hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations.

CERT training is a commitment of **20 hours** and is **free**. Only those who successfully complete the practical exercise with hands-on instruction in fire suppression, search and rescue, cribbing and medical operations will receive a certificate of completion.

\*\*\*CERT courses may be subject to cancellation at any time prior to start of class, if minimum registration number is not met\*\*\*





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### Export Trade Assistance Partnership

Successful Exporting in Today's Global Economy

#### **About This Event**

Selling American products and services overseas is both profitable and culturally rewarding for all companies that want to prosper in today's global marketplace.

Participate in an exclusive training program carefully designed to give business executives strategies, insights, and a ready network of contacts necessary to successfully expand sales globally. If you believe exporting could be part of your growth strategy, these courses will provide you with the hands on tools and the latest information necessary to succeed. In addition, through this course, you will become informed about the effective finance and marketing assistance currently available through both state and federal agencies and walk away knowing precisely how to leverage these resources.

Weekly Sessions: Thursday's, January 30 — February 20 8 am - 1 pm

Receive a Certificate of Completion at the end of your last session.

Rustin Conference Center | 2085 Rustin Avenue, Riverside, CA 92507

Space is limited.
Please register at: etap2020.eventbrite.com



EXPEDITED HIRING EVENT

TESTING FOR DEPUTY SHERIFF TRAINEE AND CORRECTIONAL DEPUTY

Saturday, February 22, 2020

**Ben Clark Training Center** 

16791 Davis Avenue Riverside, CA 92518

Written Test

8:00 AM | 10:30 AM | 1:00 PM

**Physical Agility Test (PAT)** 

8:00 AM | 10:30 AM | 1:00 PM | 2:30 PM

PAT following a passing score on the written test

WALK-INS ARE WELCOME, BUT REGISTRATION IS RECOMMENDED

To register for event, go to

JoinRSD.org

All participants must be at least 18 years of age, bring a valid photo I.D., and wear appropriate fitness attire





### Need a Desktop Computer?

Through Community Action Partnership's Tech for Success Program, you can earn a FREE refurbished desktop computer by participating in two financial literacy courses.

Contact Monica Santana for details!

Mosantana@capriverside.org

951-955-4802



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## TEMESCAL VALLEY TOWN HALL

Hosted by the Temescal Valley Municipal Advisory Council

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2020

6:00 - 7:30PM (DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM)

### RIVERSIDE COUNTY AGENCIES INVITED

- · Board of Supervisors, Kevin Jeffries
- · Assessor/Tax Collector
- · County Fire/CalFire
- · County Sheriff
- · Economic Development Agency
- · Flood Control & Water Conservation
- County Library Systems (RCLS)
- · Department of Environmental Health
- · Department of Public Health
- · Department of Waste Resources
- Office on Aging
- · Regional Park & Open Space District
- Transportation and Land Management Agency
- Veterans Services
- · Workforce Development

#### OTHER AGENCIES INVITED

- · California Highway Patrol
- Riverside Transit Authority
- · Southern California Edison
- · Southern California Gas Company
- Temescal Valley Water District
- Transportation Commission (RCTC)
- Waste Management, Inc.
- Western Municipal Water District







### TEMESCAL VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

22950 Claystone Avenue, Temescal Valley, CA 92883

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Want to get involved in your community? Looking for information from County Departments? Want to know updates on road improvement projects?

If you answered "yes" to any of the above questions then you should consider joining us at one of our Municipal Advisory Council (MAC) meetings. Meetings are held throughout our unincorporated areas and are all listed below. Come hear updates from the local Fire Station, your local Sheriff patrol and code enforcement officer or maybe your looking for an update from the local library.

Either way it's all here! Consider stopping by one of our MAC meetings this year if you have not previously and simply say "Hi" to everyone there. Want to be more involved? We are always accepting applications for MAC Boards in your community for future openings.

### MAC / CAC Meetings

### **Temescal Valley**

Trilogy Club House 24503 Trilogy Parkway Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month, 6pm \*\*This month's meeting Feb 5th 2020\*\*

### **Lakeland Village**

Lakeland Village Community Center 16275 Grand Ave, Lake Elsinore, CA 92530 Meets quarterly, 6pm (2/26, 5/27, 8/26, 11/18)

### Woodcrest

Woodcrest Library Community Room 16625 Krameria, Riverside 92504 Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of odd months, 6pm

#### **Mead Valley**

Mead Valley Community Center – Banquet Hall 21091 Rider Street Mead Valley, CA 92570 Meets the 1st Wednesday of odd months, 6pm

### **Good Hope / Meadowbrook**

Good Hope Community Center (next to County Fire Station #9): 21565 Steel Peak Drive, Perris, CA 92570 Meets the 1st Thursday of odd months, 6pm.

### **Community Group Meetings**

### RAGLM - Residents Association of the Greater Lake Mathews

County Fire Station #4 – Community Center Room (annex) 16453 El Sobrante Road, Lake Mathews, CA 92570 Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month @ 7pm

### **University City Improvement Group**

Location is TBD (moves to different resident's homes)
University Heights, Riverside, CA 92502
Meets monthly on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday @ 6pm

### Community Action Group (CAG) Casablanca

Villegas Park Community Center 3091 Esperanza St, Riverside, CA 92504 Meets monthly, 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday @ 7pm