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RIVERSIDE  
COUNTY  
DISTRICT #1**



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## Kevin's Corner

Let me first start off today with – Thank You! Thank you to all the voters who are allowing me to come back for four more years.

In my humble (and biased) opinion, candidates, and especially incumbents, should not expect that they have any RIGHT to an elected office position. It is a position that must be earned by deeds and action. I firmly believe that the primary duty of every elected official is to represent the citizens to the government. Unfortunately, it is very common across our state to find elected officials who have become so comfortable with holding an elected office that they undergo a slow transformation whereby they switch to representing/defending the bureaucracy to the citizens instead. Government institutions are typically very good at advancing their own self-preservation interests. It's much harder for an individual or small business owner to navigate and survive the endless hoops, forms, hearings and fees that typically accompany making first contact with a government entity when you need something.

Sadly, it is this very frustration that causes elected politicians to become so important. The more cumbersome or difficult the bureaucracy is to deal with, the more those citizens and businesses feel like they need the help of an elected official to navigate the bureaucracy those elected officials helped create! The more customer-, taxpayer-, and family-friendly we can make our government, the less we would all need elected politicians to intervene on our behalf!

Well over 75% of the work my office and staff does is simply trying to find paths to success for the individuals and small businesses who are dealing with a county agency. We can't and don't guarantee that they will always like the final answer or options they have, but more often than not – the people contacting us just want to get out of the endless maze and fees and reach a point that a final decision can be made. But while my staff continues to try to help people through that maze, I won't lose sight of my job to try to simplify that maze structurally—and eliminate some of the dead ends and unnecessary side branches that frustrate people in the first place.

I don't think I'll ever be successful enough in simplifying the process to put all of my staff out of work, but I promise I won't be one of those politicians that intentionally complicates the process to make themselves more important, either!

As always, if you have a tale of county bureaucratic woe you need help with, or have some thoughts on how the county system can be made more efficient, I read every e-mail sent to me—even the not-so-nice ones!

Respectfully,  
Kevin

# Local Community Events in District #1

## Cinco De Mayo

Supervisor Jeffries enjoyed Fiesta Day in Casa Blanca which was a community celebration for Cinco De Mayo. The event started off with a parade, and was followed by entertainment, food, and vendors at Villegas Park. Mayor Rusty Bailey and several City Councilmembers also attended the event put on by local residents of the Community Action Group.



## Alice In Wonderland

Over one hundred local kids came to the Mead Valley Community Center for "Alice In Wonderland" performed by the Citrus Hill High School Theatre. Parents and kids alike were able to enjoy the play, decipher clues and determine who did it!!



Huge thanks go out to Mr. Joshua Brady & Ms. Deanna Long from Citrus Hill High School, to all those who donated food and goodies for the kids and of course to our Community Center staff for all the decorations and a great time had by all!!



## County Boards and Commissions Appointee Profile

*Each month, the Jeffries Journal will highlight one of the Supervisor's nearly 100 appointees on Boards and Commissions in the county, to provide an insight into the kind of service opportunities that exist, and the people who have chosen to serve.*

### **Mrs. Willie Moses, Board Member Good Hope / Meadowbrook Municipal Advisory Council (MAC)**

#### **What does your board do?**

Our MAC Board listens to the community, for their ideas, thoughts, and concerns. We are the eyes and ears for the Supervisor in our community and do what we can to resolve the issues residents bring forward at our meetings. We are here to help.

#### **What interested you in serving on the board?**

I've always been very active in my community and here at our community center. My daughter was first on the MAC board many years ago, and when she stepped down the board asked me to step into her spot, and so I did!

Helping the community is what I love doing best. Being at our community events like Halloween and Christmas and seeing all the kids makes me happy to see our community coming together throughout the year.

I encourage everyone in the community to attend our MAC Board meetings, let us know your concerns, thoughts or suggestions on how to make things better.



## Supervisor Success Stories



*Each month this column will highlight recent successes in Supervisor Jeffries' Office, whether it is assistance for a single citizen dealing with the county bureaucracy, a change in county policy to improve our community, or a promise kept by the Supervisor.*

### Small Business Owner Finally On Road To Proper Approvals

Ed & Diana Ryder own a small custom cabinet business in Good Hope on Highway 74 which they opened in 1979. Shortly after the turn of this century The Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) came through as part of the Highway 74 widening project and through the use of eminent domain took their existing land and relocated them to another location, and this was when their real troubles began.

The new property was not correctly zoned (or had the correct General Plan designation) for the industrial use they wished to continue on their two new parcels. So in 2004 they were promised it would be changed by the County as part of their General Plan update by 2008. That process stalled and was only recently completed in April of this year. But not wanting to wait any longer, in 2010 the Ryders went ahead and paid their fees to make the changes on their own so that they could build their facility and operate their business legally. In early 2012 the matter went to the Board of Supervisors for approval and according to the meeting minutes, at the advice of Planning Department staff the BOS only approved the change on one of the two lots.

While the first parcel enabled the Ryders to erect an industrial building...nearly a decade after they were moved off their original property, the second structure could not be built since the zoning and General Plan were still inconsistent. In March of this year the Ryders contacted Supervisor Jeffries' office and working with the Planning Department a GPA & CZ project file have been opened at no cost to them. On June 1, 2016 The Planning Commission approved the Ryder's General Plan Amendment and Change of Zone requests.

The Ryders plan to submit their Plot Plan application for their second building later this year.

### More Road Paving In Good Hope

For residents living in the unincorporated areas of Good Hope, street paving and road maintenance is always on the wish list. Well for those of you who use or live on Mountain Ave you'll be pleased to see new pavement going down soon. The road was recently ground down and the final paving should take place soon.



## 2016 Riverside County, First District Student of the Year

The purpose of the Riverside County, First District Student of the Year program is to recognize one outstanding student from each grade level at your elementary and middle schools. Students were awarded with a certificate, congratulatory letter and a gift card (\$5 for elementary school and \$10 for middle school) for their achievements.

### 2016 Participating Schools

# District News

#### **Elementary Schools:**

Louisa May Alcott  
Bethel Christian  
Collier  
Columbia  
Cornerstone  
Cottonwood  
Donald Graham  
Elsinore  
Good Hope  
Harrison  
John F. Kennedy  
La Granada  
Lake Hills  
Lake Mathews  
Lakeland School  
Longfellow  
Luiseno School  
Mark Twain  
McAuliffe  
Mead Valley  
Myra Linn  
Reagan Elem  
Rosemary Kennedy  
Taft  
Temescal  
Todd  
Wildomar  
Withrow  
Woodcrest

#### **Middle:**

Chemawa  
David A. Brown  
Frank Augustus Mille  
Matthew Gage  
Tomas Rivera Middle School



## 2016 Women of the Year and Young Lady of the Year Awards

Supervisor Jeffries was pleased to present Chief Deputy District Attorney Michelle Paradise with the 1st District Woman of the Year Award during the April 17<sup>th</sup> Board of Supervisors' meeting. Michelle has made significant contributions in the area of improving the lives of women and young ladies through her work and affiliation with Soroptimist International. Soroptimist International is a service organization of professional women, who advance the status of women and girls, both locally and internationally, by providing financial and volunteer support.

Michelle is spearheading the 2016 "Live your Dream Conference" this year for Soroptimist. Showing young, potentially at-risk ladies that their futures are limitless, Michelle has taken the lead in making their dreams a reality. Michelle's story of success is why she is such a champion for women, after overcoming unspeakable challenges she has turned tragedy to triumph. Rising up to be one of the premier trial attorneys in the D.A.'s office and being recognized as the "Felony Lawyer of the Year" and "The State of California's Prosecutor of the Year", Michelle's commitment to women's issues and the impact she has on countless young ladies is why she is Woman of the Year for District 1.



Supervisor Jeffries also presented Paola Aguirre with the Young Lady of the Year Award. Paola is currently a junior at Norte Vista High School and a returning member to the District 1 Youth Advisory Council. Paola is active in extracurricular activities at Norte Vista High School and yet she still finds time to attend all of our weekend and weeknight council meeting and events. Paola arrives early and stays late and has a contagiously positive attitude. She is always the first to come forward and volunteer.

Paola works tirelessly in groups at school, the council, maintains good academic standing and works a part time job. Never does Paola complain about the stresses of these projects but instead encourages her peers, uplifts them and makes sure everyone gets the most out of the work we do. This is why Paola Aguirre is the Young Lady of the Year for District 1.

Many thanks to our Commissioners, Jennifer Fuller and Gina Magee for all of their hard work and dedication.



# Non Profit Spotlight

## FEEDING AMERICA

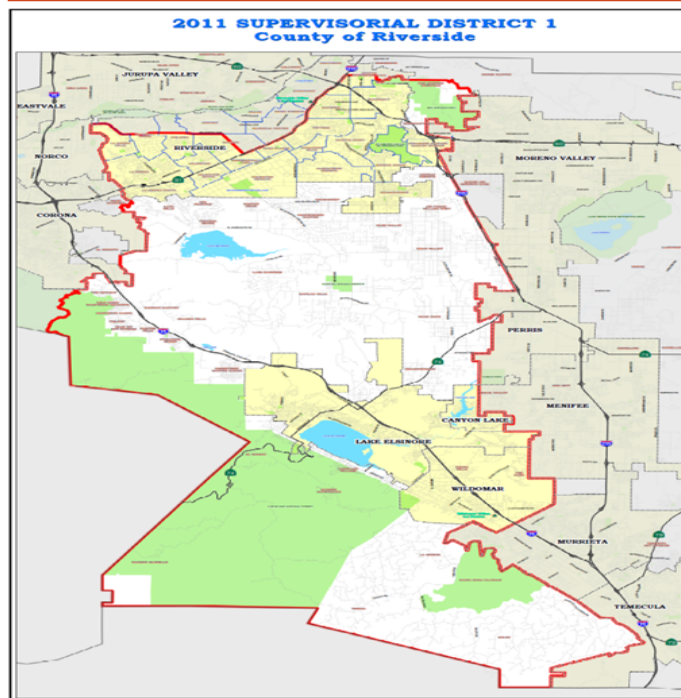


**MISSION:** Alleviate hunger in the Inland Empire.

**VISION:** Feeding America Riverside|San Bernardino Counties envisions a community where everyone has access to an adequate and nutritious food supply.

Feeding America Riverside|San Bernardino Counties began in 1980 as Survive Food Bank in response to the increasing concern about the dual problems of hunger and food waste in the Inland Empire. In 1980, Survive Food Bank provided an average of 10,000 pounds of food per month to 20 partnered nonprofit organizations. Presently Feeding America Riverside|San Bernardino Counties is the primary source of food for over 600 charities and nonprofit organizations, distributing over 2.5 million pounds of food monthly to emergency food pantries, homeless shelters, soup kitchens, day care centers, senior food programs, residential treatment centers, shelters for the abused, after school programs and group homes. More than 400,000 men, women and children each month rely on the food bank's distribution center to make ends meet.

If you would like a tour, Feeding America Riverside|San Bernardino Counties is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM- 3:00 PM, and they would be pleased to show you the entire operation. Please call their office at 951-359-4757 or visit their website at <http://feedingamericaie.org/>.



## 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.*

**FAIR HOUSING COUNCIL OF RIVERSIDE COUNTY, INC. PRESENTS:**



**FREE HOMEOWNER WORKSHOPS**

**TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS**

**3:00 P.M. -5:00 P.M.**

**Fair Housing Council of Riverside County, Inc.**  
3933 Mission Inn Avenue  
Riverside, CA 92501

Register By  
calling Selvio  
or Todd at  
951-682-6581

**TOPICS :**

- \*Budgeting
- \* Home Repairs/Improvements
- \*Refinancing
- \* Foreclosure Prevention
- \* Energy Saving Programs
- \* Fraud/Predatory Lending

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3933 Mission Inn Avenue – Riverside, CA 92501



RivCoParks invites you to:

**SUMMER CAMP-TASTIC!**

At the Deleo Regional Sports Park  
25655 Santiago Canyon Road, Corona  
June 13th - August 4th | Monday-Thursday  
9:00am-12:00pm

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Children ages 5-12 are welcome!



JOIN US FOR FREE SUMMER CAMP AT DELEO REGIONAL SPORTS PARK!

- SPORTS
- GAMES
- ARTS & CRAFTS
- FIELD TRIPS ON FRIDAYS (LOCATIONS TBD, FEES APPLY)

QUESTIONS? CALL (800) 234-7275

Registration begins on May 2nd, 2016.  
Register online at [www.DeleoSportsPark.org](http://www.DeleoSportsPark.org)



Come to our next

**Mobile Medical Clinic**

no-cost  
urgent care services.

**Saturday, June 25**

**10 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

Moses-Schaffer Community Center  
21565 Steele Peak Dr., Perris, CA 92570



We will also have

**Free Food • Giveaways • Games**



**RTA Live Event**  
Riverside Transit Agency  
RTA TO GIVE AWAY PRIZES

PASSES FOR DUMP THE PUMP

**JUNE 16**  
**DUMP the PUMP**

JOIN RTA FOR NATIONAL DUMP THE PUMP DAY THURSDAY, JUNE 16

RIVERSIDE CITY HALL  
MAIN STREET MALL AT 9TH STREET  
BETWEEN 10 A.M. AND 2 P.M.

Questions? Call RTA at 951-565-5002 or visit [RiversideTransit.com](http://RiversideTransit.com).

