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Kevin's Corner

Gas Tax Bait & Switch Coming?

Housing is an incredibly important and complex issue for our state and county. With nearly 40 million of us calling California our home, and nearly 2.4 million calling Riverside County our home - adding new housing for young families, growing families and seniors is always a challenge. And if you ask the experts, California is short about 500,000 homes to meet current and near future demands. "Affordable" housing in Southern California is in even shorter supply. Now I'm not going to get into the complex and sometimes emotional issue of exactly where and how to build homes and apartments in our own county, but I am going to ask – *What In The Heck Does Building New Affordable Homes And Apartments Have To Do With Our Increased Gas Taxes?* **"Nothing"** you say? Wrong.

The passage of the increased gas tax and DMV fees (contained in Senate Bill 1) was controversial enough, but now new legislation will be working its way through the California State Legislature that would tie the gas tax to new housing. Every city and county in our state is required to set aside properly zoned land for new affordable housing. It's mandatory - period! For a variety of reasons, most every county and city is not able to meet the prescribed housing demands of the state. So a new bill (Assembly Bill 1759) has been introduced in Sacramento that intends to punish the residents, businesses and elected officials of all those noncompliant cities and counties by withholding the revenues from the recently increased gas taxes. You and I would still have to pay the increased taxes at the pump and at DMV, but your local city or county would not be given its share to build or repair roads until your city or county is found by a state agency to be in compliance with its state-imposed housing requirements.

The state has many ways to make life difficult for cities and counties, but that is mostly done by mandating certain programs and services and then just not funding or fully funding the cost of that service. This proposal is a new low, even for Sacramento. When you lose the trust of the people to spend their hard earned tax dollars for the services originally promised to them – you can seldom recover from that kind of bait & switch.

As always, I welcome your comments, suggestions and complaints (related to county services).

Respectfully,
Kevin Jeffries
First District Supervisor

County Boards and Commissions Appointee Profile

Each month, the Jeffries Journal highlights some 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.

Riverside County Assessment Appeals Board Phil Williams



What does your commission do?

The Assessment Appeals Board is where the Taxpayer has the opportunity to say “Hey, I am paying too much and I can prove it.” We have five panels of three board members with two alternate members. Assessment Appeals Board members hear oral testimony on the assessment of property values by the County Property Tax Assessor. We review documents that are submitted in support of the valuation request by the Applicants in their appeal and we hear supporting facts from the County Assessor on the assessments. After which we deliberate to render an unbiased, professional decision as to the cash equivalent value of the property being appealed.

What interested you in serving on your commission?

Being raised in a “real estate family” in Southwest Riverside County, I have been selling real estate for over 35 years. One might say real estate is in my blood. I was deeply honored when Supervisor Jeffries asked if I would join the Assessment Appeals Board. Sitting on the Board allows me to use my expertise as a United States Federal Bankruptcy Court designated "Real Estate Expert". For me, helping people when they have tax issues and feeling they do not have a voice is what being on this Appeals board is all about.

*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*

Riverside County Flood Control - Zone 3 Commissioner (Canyon Lake, Lake Elsinore, Warm Springs, Lakeland Village, and Wildomar)

Good Hope / Meadowbrook Municipal Advisory Council (MAC) - Alternate opening

Mead Valley Municipal Advisory Council (MAC) - Alternate opening

El Sobrante Citizens Oversight Committee - Commissioner
(must live within 3 miles of the landfill)

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)



*Happy
Valentine's
Day*

Local District #1 Events



This year WMI awarded \$2,000 to local students for the America Recycles Day Calendar Art Contest winners. Supervisor Jeffries presented the students with their winning certificates at the January Temescal Valley MAC meeting.

Every year Supervisor Jeffries sets aside Community Improvement Designation (CID) funds specifically for road paving improvement projects in the unincorporated areas of the First District. The latest road to be completed is Cross, in the community of Lakeland Village. A big thank you to our Transportation team!



Work has begun on the water crossing at Margarth in the community of Good Hope to allow residents to be able to have a safer way out during the winter months and during flash floods. Work is expected to be completed within the next month for the crossing.

Local District #1 Events



Midway Jr. Market in Mead Valley is finally nearing its completion point in its long saga of red tape and fees. As seen in the photos, final improvements to both the roadways and parking lots should be finalized within the next month.

Many thanks to Mr. Shade Awad and his family for their dedication to the community and their willingness to invest in its future.



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NATIONAL HEART MONTH

3 WAYS TO A HEALTHIER HEART

EAT A HEALTHY DIET

Keep your salt intake to no more than 6g (about a teaspoon) a day



TAKE REGULAR PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

30 minutes of moderate exercise on most days



KEEP YOUR ALCOHOL INTAKE WITHIN RECOMMENDED SAFE LIMITS

No more than 21 units weekly for men, and no more than 14 units per week for women



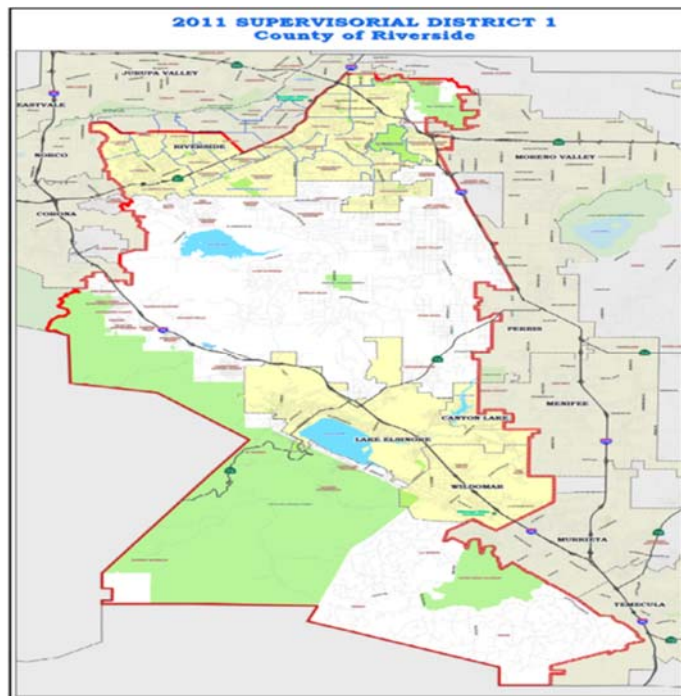
Non-Profit Spotlight

RIVERSIDE COUNTY YOUTH COMMISSION AND YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCILS



On January 6, 1998, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the formation of a countywide Youth Commission to advise the Board of Supervisors on issues relevant to youth in the County. The idea for a Youth Commission arose in 1996 at a Youth Summit in Palm Desert. It was suggested that a Youth Commission be established and act as an advisory board to the Board of Supervisors. Working closely with the Youth Commission, the Board of Supervisors has the opportunity to interact on a personal level with Riverside County youth, better respond to and understand their needs in making policy decisions. In considering the immense size of Riverside County, the Supervisors decided to create five Youth Advisory Councils, one for each Supervisorial District, in order to have more representation that is accurate from all areas of the county.

The Commission & Youth Advisory Councils provide advice, assistance and recommendations on youth related issues to the Board of Supervisors and County Departments. In addition, the Youth Commission focuses on anticipating the educational, recreational and cultural needs of youth by working together to host meaningful events that the youth will benefit from. The Commission works to ensure the coordination of community resources in order to improve the quality of life of all young people in the 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, 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.



RIVERSIDE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

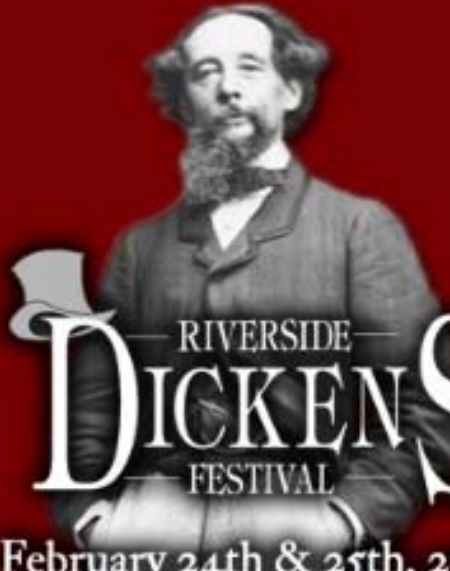
Women's CAREER SYMPOSIUM

Learn how a career with the Riverside County Sheriff's Department can make a positive impact in your life.




Saturday, March 3, 2018 / 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM /
 Moreno Valley Recreation Center / 14075 Frederick St., Moreno Valley, CA 92553

RSVP: HRSheriffRecruiter@rivco.org
 1.888.JoinRSD JoinRSD.org

RIVERSIDE DICKENS FESTIVAL

February 24th & 25th, 2018
 Come Celebrate the Life and Times of
 Author **Charles Dickens**





39TH ANNUAL BLACK HISTORY PARADE & EXPO

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FEB 10TH
 RIVERSIDE BLACK HISTORY PARADE & EXPO
 DOWNTOWN RIVERSIDE 2/10/2018

IT TAKES A VILLAGE
 "CELEBRATING COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP"

FOR MORE INFO
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The 39th Annual Black History Parade & Expo returns to Downtown Riverside Saturday, February 10, 2018 at 10 a.m.

The parade begins near RCC and ends near the Historic County Courthouse. Enjoy a day full of bands, performers, and tons of unique cars!



County of Riverside
Community Action Partnership



GET YOUR TAXES DONE FREE!

If you earned less than \$66K in 2017 and had no business losses or rental income you qualify!

Items to bring to get your taxes done for free:

Identification – No Copies

- Driver's License
- California ID
- Military ID
- Social Security Cards – For you and all dependents you can claim.

Income and Earnings

- W-2 Forms
- 1099 Forms
- Self-Employment Income
- Unemployment Income

Education Expenses

- 1098-T Forms
- Receipts for Books

Childcare Expenses

- Proof of Childcare Expense

Health Insurance Expenses

- 1095 Forms A, B or C
- Exemption Notification
- Out of Pocket Medical Expenses

If you purchased or own a Home

- 1098 Statement
- HUD-1 Form

Miscellaneous

- Charitable Contributions
- Vehicle Registration
- Work Related Expenses

Reminders:

- Bring previous year's tax documents.
- For Direct Deposit, you must bring a direct deposit form from your bank with routing and account numbers or bring a blank check.

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For more information call Community Action Partnership at (951) 955-4900.