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COUNTY
DISTRICT #1



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Kevin's Corner

I have a sleigh load of updates, so here goes.....

Who's In & Who's Out – After taking a lot of public testimony at multiple hearings, and reviewing dozens of maps and variations of maps, the County is down to three semi-final maps for the Redistricting (redrawing) of the boundaries of the Board of Supervisor districts. While County government and most of its forty or so departments and 23,000 employees touch the lives of nearly all 2.4 million residents in Riverside County at some point, most folks who reside within city boundaries don't lose much sleep over proposed Supervisor boundaries because they have their own city council member(s) they can contact about local day to day services and concerns. But for residents who live outside of city boundaries, the boundaries can be a pretty big deal to some, because of all the various oversight and/or assistance that Supervisors' offices provide to unincorporated residents. The final vote of the Board of Supervisors will likely be December 7th or maybe December 14th. To see the semi-final maps click here: <https://rivco.org/about-county/county-boards-committees-and-commissions/county-redistricting-efforts/redistricting>

Did the Safety Net Fail? Last month, the TV show 20/20 aired an episode about the tragic and heroic lives of the 13 Turpin Children from Perris, who had been held captive by their abusive parents (who are now serving life sentences). It was a heart tugging update to be sure. 20/20 interviewed a couple of the kids (who are now young adults) this past July, and discovered some significant holes in the Safety Net that government is supposed to be providing to them. In late October, 20/20 eventually shared some of the concerns with the (new) County Chief Executive Officer (who then notified the Board of Supervisors). The County CEO then immediately hired a retired federal judge to perform a deep dive and investigate the reported concerns. Once we have the results of that investigation, we will make it available to the public (at least to the extent the courts will allow when it involves minors). I'm also told that a forthcoming Netflix series titled "The Trials of Gabriel Fernandez" does an in-depth review of the struggles of Child Protective services state-wide in California.

Quick Updates.....

As a result of an ever-increasing workload (1500 to 1700 calls/on-line complaints received each month) **County Code Enforcement** will soon be hiring. The Board approved expanding Code to a 7 day a week operation with some evening coverage. A link to all county jobs can be found at: <https://www.rc-hr.com/Find-A-Job/Job-Searching/County-Job-Openings>

The **De Luz Community Service District** (located in the hills above Temecula) owns and maintains the public roads in their community, but does not receive any share of the gas tax that local De Luz residents pay at the pumps to help maintain

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public roads. Our office has committed to helping them obtain a fair share, and is working with the State and County to fix that inequity.

The growing community of **Woodcrest** (population 16k) does not have a single public park for families to enjoy. The County owns some land next to the Woodcrest Library that we are working to transform into a family friendly park over the next year or so.

A portion of unincorporated **Mead Valley** that abuts the 215 freeway that has unfortunately become warehouse central has now reportedly reached land prices of \$1 million an acre for vacant industrial land. Ouch!

Christmas Cheer... festivities to attend:

Downtown Lake Elsinore WinterFest, Main Street, Dec 4th 3-7pm

Canyon Lake Winter Wonderland, Town Center, Dec 4th 3-8pm

Mead Valley Community Center drive-thru Festival of Lights, Dec 4th at 5pm

Lakeland Village Community Center Cookies with the Grinch & Tree lighting, Dec 10th 3pm-6:30pm

GoodHope Community Center Drive thru Festival of Lights, Dec 11th at 5pm

Wildomar Breakfast w/ Santa at Marna O'Brien Park, Dec 11th 8-11am

Woodcrest Library Cookies with Santa, Dec 15th 3-5pm

Temescal Valley, Deleo Park, Winter Festival, Dec 18th 10am-1pm

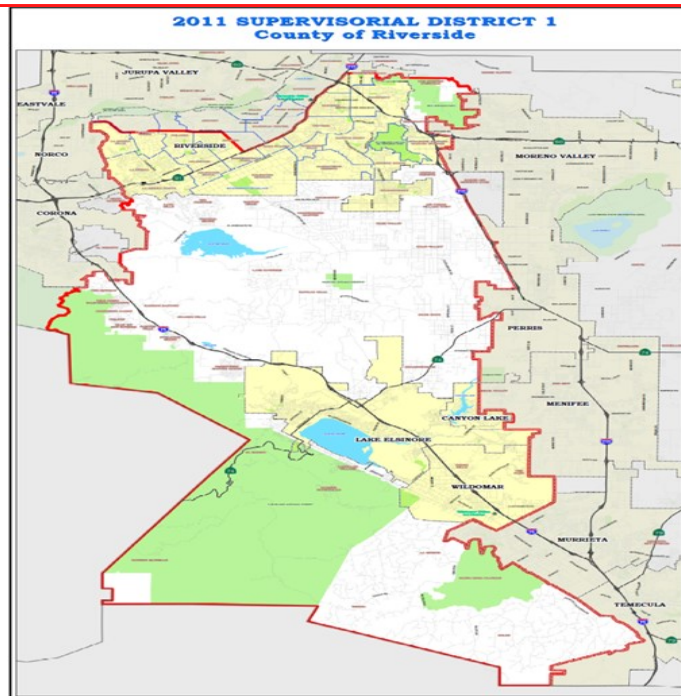
Riverside Festival of Lights, Mission Inn thru Dec 31st

I hope you enjoy the Holidays.

Merry Christmas,

Kevin Jeffries (and from my staff

Jeff, Robin, Kerstin, Tom, Liz, Hashish, & Damian)



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.

*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*



Elsinore Valley Cemetery District - One (1) upcoming opening, begins January 2022

Fair Board (National Date Festival) - 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—One (1) opening

* Riverside Area, see map: www.rcflood.org/About-the-District/District-Zones-2021



Elsinore Valley Cemetery Board of Trustees Vacancy

The Riverside County Board of Supervisors is responsible for appointing the most qualified person(s) to oversee the public cemetery districts. Each Trustee is expected to provide skills and expertise to assist with the continued operation and success of the cemetery district.

A member of the Board of Trustees must be a registered voter within the cemetery district boundaries. The term of office for a member of the Board of Trustees shall be for a term of four years and until the appointment and qualification of the successor. A member of the Board of Trustees may be re-appointed by the Board of Supervisors to serve more than one term.

Each applicant must complete an application and submit to the Cemetery District Manager who will forward all applications to Riverside County Supervisor Kevin Jeffries.

Please review the “Roles and Responsibilities” to help you decide if you can provide the expertise, commitment, and oversight that is needed to serve as a member of the Board of Trustees for the Elsinore Valley Cemetery District.

More info: 951-674-2418 or www.elsinorevalleycemetery.com/about-us/

Application: www.elsinorevalleycemetery.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Elsinore-Board-of-Trustees-Application.pdf



Final three county redistricting maps available online Redistricting public hearing will be held Dec. 7, 2021

During the Nov. 16 board meeting, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors determined to advance three draft maps for continued consideration, including two from the redistricting technical committee and one from the community. The deadline for the board to adopt a final map is Dec. 15, according to California law.

Community members can view the final three redistricting maps online at www.RivCo.org, including high-resolution versions of the maps that provide additional community-level detail.

Residents can also provide in-person or virtual input during an upcoming public hearing on Dec. 7 during the regularly scheduled Board of Supervisors meeting, which starts at 9:30 a.m. The time of the redistricting public hearing is subject to the board agenda.

“We have been committed to seeking input from the community throughout the entire redistricting process,” said Board Chair Karen Spiegel, Second District Supervisor. “Hearing feedback from residents has been extremely important as the work of the board, and the work of the county, is on behalf of our residents.”

The Board of Supervisors has reviewed and considered 37 total maps and held four prior public hearings on redistricting, including one in the evening. The fifth and final redistricting public hearing will be Dec. 7.

Redistricting ensures fair and equal representation on the Riverside County Board of Supervisors to account for changes in population and communities of interest that share common social and economic factors.

Find more information online, including providing feedback and drawing draft maps, at www.RivCo.org, under Redistricting.

The Dec. 7 public hearing will also be available live and on-demand at RivCoTV.org.

COMMUNITY CLEAN UP

The Mead Valley community clean up event on November 20, 2021 was great! We were able to serve 202 clients and collected 527 tires. Residents took the opportunity to get rid of bulky items and clean up their yards. Special thanks to Riverside County Department of Waste Resources and Waste Management for another successful event!



Senior Holiday Event

Great Thanksgiving event at the Mead Valley Community Center in District # 1! 100 Seniors from Good Hope and Mead Valley were able to enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving meal, lots of desserts, and a chance to win a turkey to cook at home. Many thanks to Noland Turnage for organizing this event and to all the volunteers who helped.





County of Riverside
Transportation Department

**Cajalco Road Widening Project
Public meeting for input on the environmental document**

The Cajalco Road Widening Project: Temescal Canyon Rd to I-215, is reaching a milestone with circulation of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report for public input.

The public comment period begins December 3rd and ends January 18, 2022.

A virtual public meeting to review the project and obtain public input is scheduled for January 6th from 6:00 to 7:30pm. There will be a presentation and opportunity to provide comments.

All information can be found here: <https://rcprojects.org/cajalco-road-widening>

Riverside County Presents

HOMES FOR THE HOLIDAYS

'TIS THE SEASON FOR GIVING

LANDLORDS receive a BONUS equal to 3 TIMES the rent for every family that moves into one of your units during the holidays!!!

ELIGIBILITY PERIOD:
NOVEMBER 17, 2021-FEBRUARY 14, 2022

For more information, contact Melissa Reyes at 951-343-5477 or email MeReyes@rivco.org



Partnering Agencies:
Lighthouse Social Service Center
RUHS-Behavioral Health
Inland SoCal 211+
DPSS-Adult Services Division
Sigma Beta Xi
Starting Over, Inc.



Do you need help with your utility bills? CAP can help!



The Covid-19 pandemic has created hardships for people across Riverside County. Community Action Partnership is here to assist those in need during these trying times.

UTILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY

- Current utility bills (electric, gas, propane)
- Proof of household income (last 4 weeks)
- Photo ID and social security card
- Birth certificate, US passport, or proof of legal residency

CONTACT AND APPLY TO COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMS

P.O. Box 5760
Riverside, CA 92517

energy@capriverside.org
www.capriverside.org

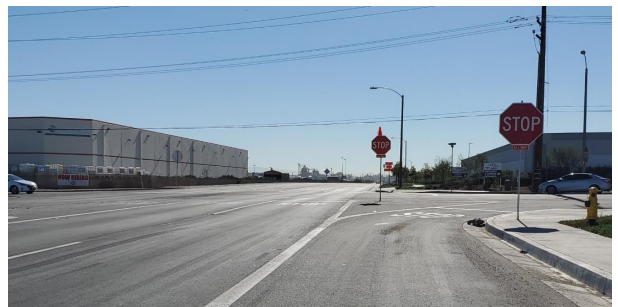
951-955-4900

Street Improvements

A new traffic signal is being installed at Saddleback and Washington in Woodcrest. Big thank you to all the residents who contacted our office in support of this signal and who attended the Woodcrest MAC meetings as well. The estimated cost of this project is \$1,160,000. The California Highway Patrol (CHP) has committed to increased presence once the light becomes operational.



A portion of Patterson Ave. between Rider St. and Cajalco Rd. in Mead Valley was recently paved. Additionally, two new stop signs were added at the intersection of Harvill Ave. and Rider St. Thank you to the residents for being patient with this project and also to our Riverside County Transportation Department for doing a great job!



Looking forward to continuing road improvements in District # 1 in 2022

**Mead Valley Community Center's
Drive - Thru
Festival of Lights**

December 4th from 5 - 9pm

*Enjoy pictures and cookies with Santa,
Christmas caroling, and more!*

21091 Rider Street, Perris, CA 92570
(951)-210-1580

Cookies with the Grinch



At the Lakeland Village Community Center

Friday, December 10th, 2021

3 to 6:30 pm 1st annual tree lighting @ 5:30 pm

Come and enjoy a **photo** with the famous Christmas Bad Boy!! We guarantee he'll be in a holiday mood and ready to join you for a photo (bring your camera)!

Enjoy cookies and a drink while you listen to carolers and see demonstrations by class instructors. Borrow our sports equipment for a quick game of Pickleball, Basketball or Sand Volleyball and stay for the tree lighting!

Even if you've been Naughty this year, you might get some treats!!!



Lakeland Village Community Center
16275 Grand Ave. Bldg A
For Information: 951-471-4407

Free Event!

**Moses Schaffer | Good Hope
Community Center's
Drive - Thru
Festival of Lights**

December 11th 5 - 9 pm

*Enjoy pictures and cookies with Santa,
and more!*

21565 STEELE PEAK DR, PERRIS, CA
92570
(951)-943-9126

JOIN CSA 134 FOR

WINTER FEST

AT DELEO PARK

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18TH
10AM-1PM

SLEDDING RAMPS · CRAFTS · TRAIN RIDES · SANTA
SNOW GLOBE PHOTO OPP · SNOWBOARDING SIMULATOR
CARNIVAL GAMES · COOKIE DECORATING · HOT CHOCOLATE

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT RKROSS@RVCC.ORG OR 951.955.4816

WE ENCOURAGE ALL ATTENDEES TO PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING AND TO UTILIZE HAND SANITIZING STATIONS

VIRTUAL BLUE LIGHT Ceremony



SAVE THE DATE

December 13th at 6 P.M.



A ceremony presented by the Riverside County Sheriff's Department, honoring all Riverside County Peace Officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty.

The blue light is symbolic of our remembrance of those officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice and also honors those officers who continue to work today.



COOKIES WITH SANTA

December 15, 2021
3pm - 5pm

Woodcrest Library
16625 Krameria Ave.
Riverside, CA 92504

Come out and enjoy cookies, crafts and activities with Santa!
(Bring your own camera to take a photo with Santa)

Admission: FREE! But please bring an unwrapped toy for the Spark of Love Toy Drive
Call (951) 789-7324 for more information!

SPARK OF LOVE TOY DRIVE DONATIONS NEEDED

The Riverside County Board of Supervisors are joining with the Riverside County Fire Department in supporting the Spark of Love Toy Drive

If you are able, please drop off a new unwrapped toy or sports gear for underprivileged children in our region to the toy collection box on the 5th floor of the CAC.

Donations are also being accepted at all CAL FIRE/Riverside County Fire Department stations.

RIVERSIDE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER
4080 LEMON STREET, 5TH FLOOR, RIVERSIDE, CA 92501