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Kevin's Corner

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Toll Lanes Update - A quick update on the proposal by the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) to convert the free HOV lanes to new Toll Lanes on the 91 Freeway through Riverside City: on Tuesday August 20th, the Riverside City Council voted 6-1 to oppose the proposed HOV conversion, and is asking that RCTC make a full presentation to the City Council. I plan to ask my colleagues on the Board of Supervisors to take a similar stance later in September.

I-15 Congestion Relief is on the Way (Verry Slowly) - RCTC has retained a consulting firm who is now working on the I-15 southern extension public outreach project. RCTC will be conducting preliminary engineering and environmental studies for this project, which proposes extending the 15 Express Lanes through the Temescal Valley to Central Avenue / Hwy-74 in Lake Elsinore. Moving at a pace even slower than the freeway during rush hour, the studies for the 14.5-mile corridor will take roughly five (5) years to complete. This means your middle school kids will be in college before the project ever breaks ground.

Not So Much A HERO! It's likely been a couple of years since I last reported on the "irregularities" that were going on involving the locally based Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG) and the once good ol' boy monopoly it provided and maintained with a firm named Renovate America, Inc.

For years, the private firm was the "exclusive" hand-picked WRCOG (government) approved financier/lender to home and business owners that wanted to finance solar or other energy saving improvements to their properties, all secured via encumbrances (liens) on their properties until paid off. In return for this exclusive arrangement, WRCOG literally received millions and millions of dollars from Renovate America. With complaints mounting from consumers/homeowners, in December 2015 WRCOG staff defended the practices and lending policies of its sole source firm. And while my criticisms of the good ol' boy arrangement fell mostly on deaf ears at WRCOG, I recall being told in closed session that the Federal Government had launched investigations of the firm, but that "all was well" otherwise (by the way, that was likely the last time I attended closed session with WRCOG). And while I never heard about the outcome of the investigation, an explosive announcement was made on August 9, 2019, by Riverside County District Attorney Mike Hestrin, that his office and that of six other prosecutors had reached a \$4 million dollar consumer protection settlement with Renovate America over allegations of misrepresentations and inadequate disclosures to consumers of HERO improvements. Now my question is, how much did WRCOG (a government entity) profit off the backs of unsuspecting home and business owners who took out these special loans? And if they did, what will be done about it? I suspect the silence will be deafening, yet again.

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The Birds Flew The Coop! It was finally “clean-up” time last week, at the “Hole Lake” homeless/street people camp in Riverside City, a few blocks outside of the First District. The makeshift outdoor camp, which hosted 50 occupants and party-goers, had been a long term irritant for nearby neighbors that had even attracted LA TV news to the site. While the City and County offered help to those who wanted it, the joint cleanup and restoration of the property was mostly shut down. Seems the street people and their party-goers could literally trash the place, have illegal camp fires, and use the land as a bathroom, but the City and County were NOT allowed to immediately clean up the property until after the mating season of a protected bird had passed. Yes, the bird(s) would be just fine with the loud music, the burning of anything on site, and the human waste, but the cleanup effort would have been harmful? Really?

Always feel free to email me with your suggestions or (friendly?) criticisms to improve your county government.

Respectfully,

Kevin Jeffries

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 Seniors Travel To Olvera Street!

Recently a group of District #1 seniors from the communities of Good Hope and Meadowbrook took a day long excursion to Olvera Street in downtown Los Angeles.

The group traveled from the downtown Perris Metrolink Station all the way to Union Station in Los Angeles. From there it was a short hop over to Olvera Street to enjoy shopping, food and culture.

It was a great day enjoyed by everyone!



Local District #1 Events

On August 2, 2019, our Youth Advisory Council (YAC) kicked off a new year by attending the Youth Commission’s Annual Youth Retreat. The YAC was able to learn more about teen suicide awareness and prevention, the Brown Act and Parliamentary Procedure. The students also made cards for veterans that were donated to the Riverside County Veterans Affairs department. Overall, the students learned many new skills in leadership and community service. We look forward to having the YAC participate in many events throughout our District this year.



Local District #1 Events

National Night Out In District #1

National Night Out 2019 was a hit across all of District #1 with events from city to city and even in the unincorporated communities as well.

Pictured below are community members from Casa Blanca in the City of Riverside enjoying time in the park and talking with local firefighters. It was a great night for families and communities everywhere!

Thank you to all those who took the time to participate and enjoy a great time with neighbors. Looking forward to 2020!



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National Preparedness Month 2019

Non-Profit Spotlight

Helping Hands Group

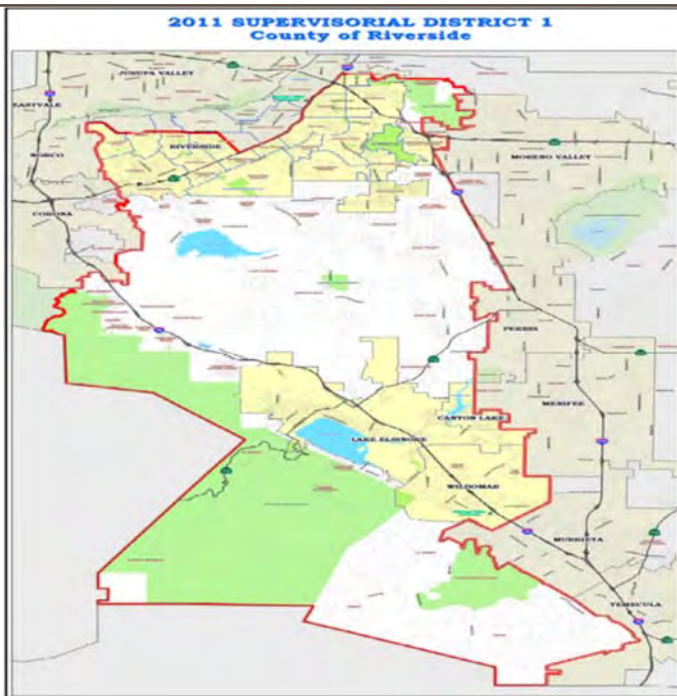


Helping Hands Group (HHG) is a community service organization with over 300 volunteers serving more than 800 neighbors in need every month. Their volunteers collect food, bag it and distribute to families and individuals in crisis while assisting them with guidance and information leading toward stabilization. HHG also provides home-bound, disabled seniors with home delivered groceries.

In addition to food distribution, HHG also operates the Senior Care Program where volunteers assist low-income seniors with minor home repairs such as toilets, ceiling fans, leaky faucets, etc. that are not otherwise provided through grant funding.

HHG's service area includes Menifee, Lake Elsinore, Wildomar, Canyon Lake and the unincorporated area surrounding those cities.

For more information or to become a volunteer, visit the Helping Hands Group website at: <http://helpinghandsgroup.us/>

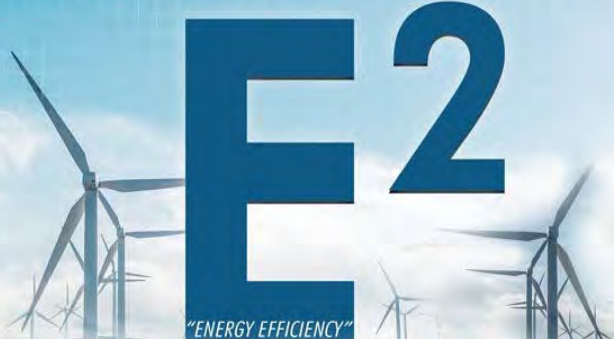


First District Profile



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 EDA ENERGY DIVISION



E2
"ENERGY EFFICIENCY"

POWER HOUR EVENT
September 20, 2019 • 10:00am - 11:00am
2085 Rustin Avenue, Riverside, CA 92507 (Room 1014.5)

***Limited seating available
REGISTER ONLINE AT
e2-power-hour.eventbrite.com

LEARN ABOUT:

- Energy Efficiency
- Emerging Technologies
- Going Green
- Greenhouse Gas Reductions
- Transportation Electrification
- Balanced Energy Approach

Find out how Riverside County EDA Energy Division provides resources, access to energy programs and how we can build a sustainable future for Riverside County!

PRESENTED BY

safeTALK


District 1 Youth Advisory Council and Riverside University Health System – Public Health, Presents:

safeTALK Suicide Prevention Training
Saturday September 7, 2019
Time: 8:30 am – 12:30 pm
Lakeland Village Community Center – Bldg. D
Address: 16275 Grand Ave, Lake Elsinore CA 92530

- Most people with thoughts of suicide don't truly want to die, but are struggling with the pain in their lives. Through their words and actions, they invite help to stay alive. SafeTALK-trained helpers can recognize these invitations and take action by connecting them with life-saving intervention resources.
- safeTALK is for community members such as: non-clinical staff, clergy, volunteers, parents, youth ages 15 and older, teachers, law enforcement, and others working with the public at large that want to make a difference.
- This **FREE** training includes all materials!
- Pre-registration is required and space is limited.

For more information or to register for the training,
Contact: 951-358-7171
or email: Rlangel@ruhealth.org

Funding provided by Riverside University Health System – Behavioral Health, Prevention and Early Intervention through the Mental Health Services Act



A FANTASTIC INFORMATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR STUDENTS AND PARENTS

LAKE ELSINORE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT PRESENTS

8th Annual COLLEGE AND CAREER EXPO

Date:
Wednesday
September 18, 2019
5:30-7:30pm

Outlets At Lake Elsinore
17600 Collier Avenue
Lake Elsinore, Ca 92530

We cordially invite you to join us at LEUSD'S **8th Annual College and Career Expo**

All High School Students, 8th graders and parents from the Tri-Valley Area are welcome.

- Public & Private Universities
- Armed Forces
- Community Colleges
- Vocational/Technical Schools




For More Information, please contact your high school Career/Success Center.

Temescal: Tracy Ward
tracy.ward@esud.k12.ca.us
Elsinore: Stacy Styrcula
stacy.styrcula@leusd.k12.ca.us
Lakeside: Lorraine Berame
lorraine.berame@leusd.k12.ca.us

LEARN MORE AT events-latinas.org/led2019

30 YEARS OF HOPE PRESENTS

LATINA EMPOWERMENT DAY 2019

Join HOPE for the 2019 Latina Empowerment Day, a one day intensive workshop series created to empower Latinas to increase their community impact and strengthen their skills and knowledge on a variety of issues.

2019 LATINA EMPOWERMENT DAY PARTNER



REGISTER NOW

QUESTIONS? Contact events@latinas.org

Date & Location

November 1, 2019 RIVERSIDE
8:30 am - 3:00 pm
Marriot at the Convention Center
3400 Market St.
Riverside, CA 92501



Community Outreach Ministry
 "Giving At-Risk Kids A Second Chance to be Winners and Champions"
 Donate online: CommunityOutreachMinistry.org
 info@CommunityOutreachMinistry.org Dr. Mona & Bob Davies
 501 c (3) Non Profit (951) 698-7650

Title: Children's Creative Art Fundraiser Artisan Auction
 Date: Sunday, October 6, 2019, 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
 Location: The Corporate Room, 34846 Monte Vista, Wildomar, CA. 92595

Proceeds: Benefit children of incarcerated parents with food, clothes and toys for Christmas

Family fun, finger foods, Music and Door Prizes!
 Tickets \$15.00 per person

Sponsor Tables of 8 people:
 \$300 6 children receive food, clothes and toys (Name and logo on table)
 \$500 10 children receive food, clothes and toys (Name and logo on program and marketing materials)
 \$700 14 children to receive food, clothes and toys
 (Name and logo on program, marketing materials, space to hang banner & promotional mention)

For tickets and/or Sponsor Tables: Call 951-698-7650 or info@communityoutreachministry.org




5th Annual
5K Family Fun Run-Walk
& 1K Kids Run-Walk
 SATURDAY, September 28, 2019 | 8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
 Riverside City College, Evans Field, 4800 Magnolia Avenue, Riverside, CA
 (Use entrance on Brockton Avenue and Tequesquite Street)

ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARD THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
 8:00 A.M. Check-In / 9:00 A.M. 5K Fun Run-Walk Start / 10:00 A.M. 1K Kids Fun Run-Walk Start (12 & under)

Join us for a fun filled day for the entire family at Riverside City College, Evans Field. Run or walk in support of the RCOE Foundation whose mission is building bridges for disadvantaged students throughout Riverside County to find opportunities for success in learning and in life. (Please no pets)

- Kids Fun Zone
- Music
- Raffle Drawing
- Snacks

REGISTRATION FORM

(Registrations received after September 16, 2019 will not be guaranteed a t-shirt)

REGISTER ONLINE AT

rcoeef-annual-run-walk.racewire.com or complete this form

Name: _____ Phone: () _____
 Home Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Email: _____ Gender: M F Age: _____
 Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: () _____
 T-Shirt Size: Youth MED Adult SM Adult XL
 Youth L Adult MED Adult XXL
 Adult LG
 Race Registration Fees: 5K Registration \$35
 1K Kids Registration \$15 (Age 12 & under)

Please remit payment by check payable to Riverside County Office of Education Foundation (RCOEF)

There will be a \$25 fee charged on checks returned by the bank.

Please mail complete registration form and payment to:

Riverside County Office of Education, Attention: Yadira Chaves, P.O. Box 858, Riverside, CA 92502 | Fax: (951) 826-6199

ACCIDENT WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY FOR RIVERSIDE COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION FOUNDATION: I acknowledge that this athletic event is an extreme test of a person's physical and mental limits and carries with it the potential for death, serious injury and property loss. The risks include, but are not limited to, those caused by terrain, facilities, temperature, weather, condition of athletes, equipment, vehicular traffic, actions of other people including, but not limited to, participants, volunteers, spectators, coaches, event officials, and event monitors, and/or producers of the event, and lack of hydration. These risks are not only inherent to athletics, but are also present for volunteers. I hereby assume all of the risks of participating and/or volunteering in this event. I realize that liability may arise from negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons or entities being released, from dangerous or defective equipment or property owned, maintained or controlled by them, or because of their possible liability without fault. In consideration of my application and permitting me to participate in this event, I hereby take action for myself, my executor, administrator, heirs, next of kin, associates, and assigns as follows: (A) Waive, release and discharge from any and all liability for my death, disability, personal injury, property damage, property theft or actions of any kind which may hereafter accrue to me including my traveling to and from this event; (B) I understand that I am releasing the RCOEF, Riverside County Office of Education, Riverside County Office of Education, and City of Riverside, their directors, officers, employees, volunteers, representatives, and agents, the event holders, event sponsors, event volunteers; (C) I identify and hold harmless the entities or persons mentioned in this paragraph from any and all liabilities or claims made as a result of participation in this event, whether caused by the negligence of releasee or otherwise. I understand that at this event or related activities, I may be photographed, I agree to allow my photo, video or film, likeness to be used for any legitimate purposes by the event holders, producers, sponsors, organizers and agents. I hereby certify that I have read this document and that I understand its content.

Print Participant Name

Signature (If under 18, parent or guardian must sign here)

Date

Lake Mathews/Woodcrest Community Clean-Up

WHEN: Saturday, September 21, 2019 **TIME:** 8 am - 12 pm

WHERE: Citrus Hill High School, 18150 Wood Road, Perris, 92570

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS:

- Washers/Dryers • TVs • Microwaves • Air Conditioners • Computers
- Refrigerators/Freezers • Chairs/Couches/Tables • Box Springs/Mattresses
- Barbecue/Patio Furniture • Bundled Branches • Bagged Green Waste
- **Tire collection limited to residents only, no tires will be accepted from business entities**

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED:

- Latex, Oil, or Paint • Fluorescent Light Tubes • Empty Drums • Batteries
- Motor Parts or Motor Oil • Pool Chemicals • Commercial or Remodeling Waste
- Transmission/Brake Fluids • Weed Killers/Herbicides • Bleach/Tub & Tile Cleaner
- Fertilizers • Pesticides & Rodent Poisons • Anti-Freeze • Solvents/Gasoline • Engines

* Proof of residency is required. Please bring a photo ID along with this postcard or a Waste Management bill to the clean-up.

* Per State law, you must have a tire manifest to transport over 9 tires and tires must be less than 4 feet in diameter. If you have questions regarding tires please contact Riverside County Department of Waste Resources at (951) 486-3200.



Please call Waste Management
 with any questions you may have at (800) 423-9986

THINK GREEN!



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October 3, 2019

4:00 - 8:00 PM

1299 Galleria at Tyler

Presented by:

BANK OF AMERICA

Hosted by:

GALLERIA AT TYLER

For more info contact: Aly Herrera at (951) 683-7100 Ext. 218 or aherrera@riverside-chamber.com



FREE VETERANS LEGAL CLINICS

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

Veterans are invited to join the RCVS and VLI for free legal advice and counsel, assistance, and resources in the areas of:

- Healthcare
- Consumer Law
- Discharge Upgrades
- Estate Planning
- Bankruptcy
- Expungements
- Immigration
- Landlord-Tenant
- License Renewals
- Other Civil Legal Issues

Riverside County
Department of Veterans' Services
4360 Orange Street
Riverside, CA 92501

3rd Tuesday of the Month from 9:00am to noon.

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| 2019 | 8/20, 9/17, 10/15, 11/19, 12/17 |
| 2020 | 1/21, 2/18, 3/17, 4/21, 5/19, 6/16 |

Appointments are suggested
Call (951) 955-3060 to schedule

This FREE training is provided by:



WHERE & WHEN:

Friday-Sunday, September 27-29, 2019 at
Lakeland Village Community Center – Building D
16275 Grand Avenue
Lake Elsinore, CA 92530

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



REGISTER AT:

<https://tinyurl.com/LAKELANDVILLAGECERT>

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*****



County Disaster Response Team Hazmat Awareness

Wednesday, September 18, 2019
6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Sycamore Creek Clubhouse
25420 Mayhew Canyon Road
Temescal Valley CA 92883

RSVP by September 17, 2019, [click here](#) to register.
If you have any further questions or concerns please call 951-358-7100.



County of Riverside Emergency Management Dept.
4210 Riverwalk Parkway
Suite 300
Riverside, CA 92505
951-358-7100



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COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP

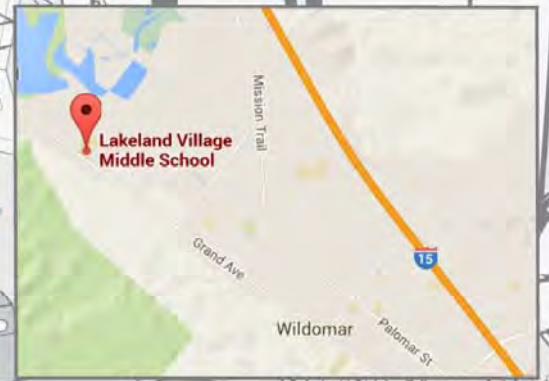
Lakeland Village

Saturday, September 14, 2019
8:00 am to 12:00 pm

***For CR&R customers only. Proof of residency is required.
Please bring Photo ID and current CR&R invoice.***

Drop-off Location:

**Lakeland Village Middle School
18730 Grand Avenue,
Lake Elsinore, CA 92530**



Acceptable Items

- **Tires:** Per state law, please only transport 9 tires per trip. Please call Riverside County Waste Management Department for a waiver if needed. Tires must be less than 4ft in diameter & weigh less than 200 lbs.
- **Furniture:** Sofa beds, couches, tables, chairs, mattresses, box springs and patio furniture.
- **Large Appliances:** Washing machines, dryers, stoves refrigerators, water heaters, air conditioners and dishwashers.
- **Tree Limbs and Branches:** Should not exceed 18 inches in diameter or 3 feet in length. Please make sure tree limbs are bundled and tied together.
- **Electronic Waste (E-Waste):** Computers, monitors, printers, old televisions and other electronic devices with a plug or circuit board.
- **Other Items:** Bicycles, barbecues, swing sets, and small appliances

Unacceptable Items

- **Fluorescent light bulbs**
- **Pesticides/Fertilizers**
- **Weed Killers/Herbicides**
- **Rodent Poisons**
- **Latex, Oil, or Water based Paint**
- **Batteries,**
- **Motor Parts**
- **Solvents/Gasoline**
- **Transmission/brake fluid**
- **Bleach/tub & Tile Cleaners**
- **Empty Drums**
- **Anti-Freeze**
- **Pool Chemicals**
- **Engines**
- **Motor oil and Other Hazardous**
- **Concrete or construction/ demolition materials**

NOTE: Does not include disposal of industrial, business, or household hazardous waste, building materials, or household trash. If you need additional information please contact Riverside County Department of Waste Resources at (951) 486-3200. Alternate formats available upon request.

