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Kevin's Corner



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Our Future – When I was first elected five years ago, I was very focused on a handful of issues: public safety, transportation, community services, and our quality of life.

Unfortunately, I quickly realized that despite the broader national economic recovery, our county budget situation was deteriorating rapidly. I went through a rough patch with some of my fellow Board members when I started sounding the alarm and proposing spending reductions, budget committees, and re-organizations. The problems became more obvious, and with the exception of the Board's propensity to hire expensive consultants, we are all pretty much now on the same page of at least holding county general fund spending flat (although some deeper cuts have already been implemented), something families call "Living within their means."

If we hold the line, the financial challenges (deficit spending) will likely continue for another year or two—and that is in our best case scenario. If the economy falters in any measurable way, the Board of Supervisors will have some very tough choices (cuts) to make in the years to come.

That said, I still have an obligation to remain focused on protecting our quality of life, as I do not ever want to see our county turn into a Los Angeles county, with its massive population (slightly over 10 million), wall to wall concrete and roofs, and endless traffic congestion.

Unfortunately, we are already feeling the impacts of significant traffic congestion in our county and we are still far from our state-mandated regional quota of homes to be built. Entirely aside from how we house the homeless, where will our children and grandchildren live if we don't have affordable homes available? Will they all have to leave the state in order to live in a home of their own? If traffic congestion is already at a standstill on the 91, 215, 15 and on connector routes like Temescal Canyon Road, Van Buren Blvd, and Ortega Highway, how in the heck are we going to handle another 500,000 or 1 million residents in the future? How do we reconcile the growth our county is expected/required to absorb in the next 10-20 years with trying to preserve our quality of life?

In an attempt to resolve part of that question, I've kicked off an effort to examine the tax revenues the county is allowed to keep (per state law), and compare that revenue with what it actually costs to provide basic services to our residents. Contrary to the myth that county government gets rich by building houses, the very, very early preliminary numbers indicate that we may be completely upside down financially with every new rooftop added to our communities. I'm hoping that as the rest of the financial data becomes available, we will find that the revenue vs. expenses gap is not that significant. A small gap can be made up with good commercial businesses that create jobs, sales tax and property taxes. But if that financial gap between revenues and cost of services is massive, we will need to rethink our growth goals and priorities in this county. The first step to recovery will be to admit that we have a problem.

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Speaking of Crises and Recovery. Watching the hurricane coverage in Texas, Florida, and Puerto Rico has brought to the forefront the issue of disaster preparedness. Are you ready to go without power and running water for up to a week? How many times have you already been warned (or even lectured) on the need to be prepared for the Big One? Do you carry supplies in your car? Do you have a food and water stash ready at home? Do you have a portable generator to keep your refrigerator food cold? Beside the devastation of a wildland fire running through neighborhoods, I've also just seen again the damage that a micro-burst rain & wind storm can do to a community. In just about every case, the residents were ill prepared. Just imagine the severe challenges that are bound to follow a major earthquake in our region. One resource for developing plans for various emergency scenarios and prepping survival kits for you, your family, and your pets and to make sure you stay informed on evacuations and disasters is our county's Emergency Management Department's website: <http://www.rivcoready.org/> . Please be prepared, as the more of us that can take care of ourselves, the less stress there will be on our emergency responders in a disaster, and the more they can focus on those who need help the most.

Respectfully
Kevin Jeffries



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.

District #1
Riverside County Archives Commission
Kathleen Dever, Commissioner



What does your commission do?

The County of Riverside Archives Commission was established on September 23, 1997. The official duty of the Commissioners is to “advise and make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors concerning the development of the County Archives, the preservation of County historical records, documents and objects.”

I have served as an Archives Commissioner since 2009, working to enlighten the public about this valuable repository. Commissioners oversee that the holdings are correctly preserved and made available to the public by a knowledgeable and accommodating staff. We publicize the Archives by designing and distributing bookmarks to libraries, genealogical societies, and historical organizations.

What interested you in serving on your commission?

My interest in this Commission stemmed from using archives, both locally and nationwide, to uncover my family's genealogy and research historic buildings for inclusion in California's Mills Act program. Along with other writers, I use the County Archives to pen historically accurate scripts for the Sunnyslope Cemetery Stroll.

Access to material in the Robert J. Fitch Archives is essential for students, researchers, genealogists, writers, historic preservationists, attorneys, and County staff.

Supervisor Success Stories



Each month this column highlights 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.

Residents Concerns Abated!

Recently, residents of the Woodcrest area along Van Buren contacted our office about excessive weeds along our right of way (ROW) which had not been taken care for over a year and were growing fast due to the winter rains.

Staff was able to contact our County Transportation Department who promptly dispatched a crew to take care of the problem along side the roadway.



THINK PINK
October is
Breast Cancer
Awareness Month!

**SUPPORT
THE
FIGHT!**



Local District #1 Events

Janet Goeske Foundation Celebrates Its New Mead Valley Location

On September 28th the Janet Goeske Foundation (JGF) celebrated its new Senior Center location at the Charles G. Meigs Community Center in Mead Valley.

On hand to celebrate the opening of the center were State Senator Richard Roth, Assemblyman Jose Medina, Ignacio Romero with Congressman Mark Takano’s office, JGF Board Members as well as District #1 Supervisor Kevin Jeffries. Food, music and fun were on hand for all seniors who attended the event. A big “Thank You” to the JGF Foundation for making this a wonderful event for everyone in our senior community.



Emergency alerts in Riverside County has a new name!

Get emergency alerts, anytime and anywhere, by registering your cell phone and email addresses in Alert RivCo.

Traditional landline numbers are automatically enrolled in Alert RivCo (this does NOT include VoIP lines).

Enroll at: RivCoReady.org/AlertRivCo

Non-Profit Spotlight

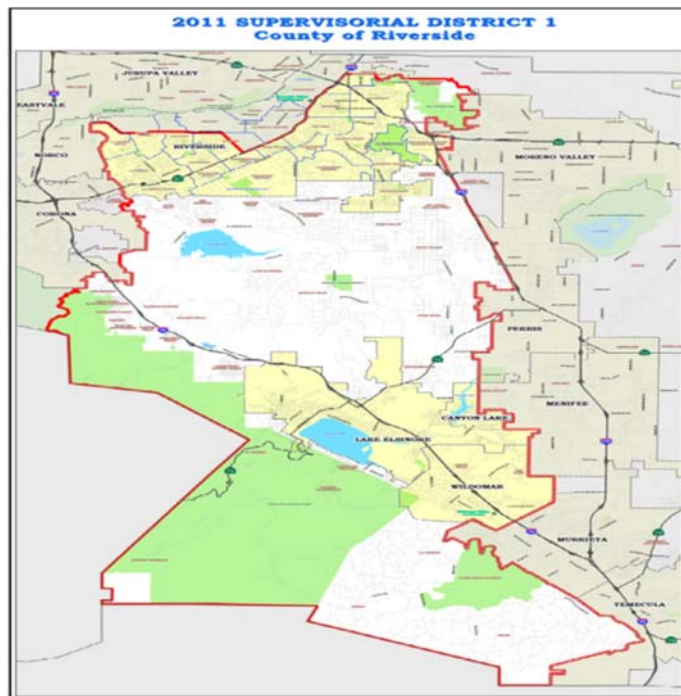
RIVERSIDE MEDICAL CLINIC CHARITABLE FOUNDATION



Riverside Medical Clinic Charitable Foundation (RMCCF) is the charitable arm of the Riverside Medical Clinic Foundation, whose mission is to improve health and the quality of life for residents in Inland Southern California. RMCCF offers monthly support groups for chronic diseases and other conditions, including Alzheimer's, endometriosis and prostate cancer. RMCCF presents health-based events and lectures with its community partners, works to provide innovative programs focused on preventing bullying and pediatric obesity. In addition, RMCCF offers scholarships to individuals who have chosen health care as their field of study, families needing help caring for a loved one, and children or adults with special needs or special circumstances.

In 2014, RMCCF introduced the Anti-Bullying Institute to offer hands-on anti-bullying programs, which are designed to empower children, parents, schools and youth organization personnel to effectively deal with the issue of bullying.

For more information, contact RMCCF at (951) 682-2753 or visit their website at <http://rmccharity.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.

BABY BOOMERS

BOO-GIE NIGHT



SATURDAY NIGHT  **OCTOBER 28, 2017**

COSTUME | DINNER | DANCE

YSMAEL VILLEGAS COMMUNITY CENTER
3091 ESPERANZA ST., RIVERSIDE, CA

EVENT: 5PM - 11PM | DOORS OPEN 4:45PM - 21 AND OVER - NO ALCOHOL
\$25 PER PERSON (NO TICKETS SOLD AT DOOR)
DINNER - SERVED FROM 5:00 PM TO 6:30 PM

BE PART OF THE BABY BOOMERS RECORDED HISTORY!

"COSTUME OPTIONAL" | **WIN PRIZES** | BEST COSTUME - MOST ORIGINAL
MOST SCARIEST - MOST FUNNY



DANCE TO THE SOUNDS OF MIDNITE CRUZZERS & DJ FRANK

FOR TICKETS CALL:
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FALL FESTIVAL

SATURDAY OCT 28 **DELEO REGIONAL PARK** **JOIN US 4-8PM**

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Face Painting & Glitter Tattoos **TRUNK OR TREAT**
CRAFTS *Costume Contest* **MADDENING**
Pumpkin Decorating **SPOOKY MAZE**
TRAIN
COTTON CANDY GAMES Bring friends & Family

BE A VENDOR AT OUR **TRUNK OR TREAT**
EMAIL RKROSS@RIVCO.ORG



CITY OF LAKE ELSINORE

Dia De Los Muertos Celebration



6th Annual

STUDIO 395

HISTORIC DOWNTOWN
MAIN STREET / CITY PARK

OCTOBER 28TH 1-7 PM

TRADITIONAL ARTS & CRAFTS ◊ MUERTOS ALTARS ◊ COSTUME COMPETITION
LIVE MUSIC ◊ BALLET FOLKLORICO ◊ LATIN DANCE ◊ VENDORS ◊ FOOD

Sponsorship opportunities, vendor inquiries please contact Rebecca at 951-471-4407

www.facebook.com/LakeElsinoreDiaDeLosMuertos or www.studio395.org for more information

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2017

RIVERSIDE ZOMBIE CRAWL!


2-6PM

MAIN STREET
Between University & City Hall

- 2-6 PM** • DJ Albert Figueroa
- 2-4:30 PM** • Free Children's Halloween Crafts by DragonMarsh, Face painting, Balloon Art and Zombie-themed Carnival Games with prizes.
- 4:30 PM** • Zombie Crawl Parade of Zombies versus Survivalists - which side will you choose?
- 5 PM** • Zombie costume Contest with prizes for all ages

HOSTED BY **RIVERSIDE DOWNTOWN PARTNERSHIP**

For more info call 951.781.7335
www.riversidedowntown.org
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COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP

Lake Mathews/Woodcrest

Saturday, October 28, 2017

8:00 am to 12:00 pm

Drop-off Location:

Citrus Hill High School
18150 Wood Road, Perris,
CA 92570



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.

