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### District 2 Update

Dear Neighbor,

January was quite a busy month for the Riverside County Board of Supervisors as we worked on tackling some large and pressing challenges not just within the 2nd District but also from a county and regional standpoint. These challenges range from the monitoring of the Coronavirus within Riverside County, forming an Ad Hoc Committee to address homelessness throughout the region, widening Temescal Canyon Road between Tom Barnes Street and El Cerrito Road, and informing our residents about the importance of the upcoming 2020 Census. Although these weren't the only issues we addressed during the month of January, I'd like to discuss these items in more detail so our residents understand what we are trying to accomplish.

As I've stated at my very first Board meeting, it is important that if residents have comments, concerns or suggestions for our office, we would like to hear them! This goes for anything not just in this newsletter, but also things we may not hear about. In order for us to address your concerns, it is important we know about them and it starts with you!

Our 2nd District Office can be reached at 951-955-1020 or District2@rivco.org.

Let's get into our topics:

#### **Coronavirus Prevention and Frequently Asked Questions**

The World Health Organization (WHO) last week designated the coronavirus, also known as 2019-nCoV a "public-health emergency of international concern." Riverside County health officials are working with state and federal representatives to monitor the cases of novel coronavirus (nCoV) from the Wuhan, China outbreak. Public Health Officer Dr. Cameron Kaiser said there have been no confirmed cases in Riverside County. Health officials recently announced the illness, which originated in Wuhan, China, has spread to Southern California with one case each in Orange and Los Angeles counties.

As we carefully monitor the coronavirus here in our region, there are several things we want the pubic to know about the virus and tips to avoid infection.

#### **Coronavirus Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)**

**What is the Novel Coronavirus?** 2019 Novel Coronavirus, or 2019-nCoV, is a new respiratory virus first identified in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China.

Why is it named Coronavirus? The name coronavirus comes from the Latin word corona, meaning crown or halo. Coronaviruses are named for the crown-like spikes on their surface.

**How does the virus spread?** This virus probably originally emerged from an animal source but now seems to be spreading from person-to-person. It's important to note that person-to-person spread can happen on a continuum. Some viruses are highly contagious (like measles), while other viruses are less so. It's not clear yet how easily 2019-nCoV spreads from person-to-person.

What are the symptoms and complications? Current symptoms reported for patients with 2019nCoV have included mild to severe respiratory illness with fever, cough, and difficulty breathing.

#### **Coronavirus Prevention Tips**

There is currently no vaccine to prevent 2019-nCoV infection. The best way to prevent infection is to avoid being exposed to this virus. However, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) always recommends everyday preventive actions to help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses, including:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

These are everyday habits that can help prevent the spread of several viruses including the Coronavirus.

#### **Homeless Ad HOC Committee**

At the Board of Supervisors meeting on Tuesday, January 28th, I presented my colleagues with a proposal to establish a countywide Homeless Ad Hoc Committee, which I and Supervisor Manuel Perez of the Fourth District will serve on for the 2020 calendar year.

The homeless crisis in Riverside County has been consistently increasing and demands an urgent, coordinated response from the County and its partners throughout the region.

In 2018, the Board of Supervisors adopted a Homeless Action Plan which included the creation of the Office of Homeless Solutions, within the County Executive Office. The objective of this new division is to prevent and reduce homelessness throughout the County of Riverside. By establishing a Homeless Ad Hoc Committee, the Board will be better able to provide direction to enable the Executive Office to refine and continue implementation of those goals encouraging regional approaches with multibenefit solutions. In addition, it will give myself and my fellow Board Members a better perspective on our homeless situation, as it relates to policy and funding decisions.

One of our duties as Supervisors, and an obligation I take very seriously, is to do everything within our power to fight for Riverside County's fair share of State and Federal funding. The current level of funding that the County receives is far less than what is needed to eliminate homelessness. One of my hopes for this Ad Hoc committee is that it will allow us to clearly identify where those funding needs exist so that I can continue to fight to ensure Riverside County receives our fair share.

Homelessness is a complex and consistently evolving problem which will not be resolved through a quick or singular fix. It requires unique, thoughtful and collaborative strategies designed to reduce the current number of homeless individuals and families, increase access to and availability of affordable housing, maximize the alignment and effectiveness of current efforts and lay the foundation for additional meaningful investment.

This Ad Hoc Committee will be an opportunity to work with staff and partners to strengthen collaborative relationships and build upon current County and sub-regional efforts by: 1) directing resources to proven strategies; 2) integrating existing programs and services more effectively; 3) enable city and regional partners to more easily join the County in combating homelessness; 4) and identifying opportunities to leverage resources within our behavioral health, criminal justice, health and social service agencies.

We are enabled to do our best for Riverside County when we are all working together. I am looking forward to the many positive changes and creative solutions which will be developed throughout this process. Please keep an eye on my website for updated information on the Homeless Ad Hoc Committee as we begin to set our meetings and agendas.

#### **Temescal Canyon Road Improvement Program**

On Tuesday, January 28th, the Board of Supervisors received and filed an update to the Temescal Canyon Road Improvement Program. Once complete, this program will ultimately widen Temescal Canyon Road from El Cerrito Road to Temescal Valley from two (2) lanes to four (4) lanes and allow for Temescal Canyon Road to have 5-miles of continuous four lane road along Temescal Canyon Road and improving the bottleneck conditions that exist today.

The next and most challenging step will be planning and engineering for the widening of Temescal Canyon Road between El Cerrito Road and Tom Barnes Street from two lanes to four lanes. This segment is the next priority to deliver, and will be a complex project given the necessary right-of-way acquisitions.

In the meantime, the County Transportation Department has completed or is on the process of completing several important projects that will improve traffic flow:

- 1. Left turn lanes have been installed on Temescal Canyon Road at the intersections of Lawson Road and Hostettler Road. Investment \$700,000
- 2. Construction is in progress, and nearly complete, for two sections of Temescal Canyon Road as shown below. This work consists of widening Temescal Canyon Road from two lanes to four lanes, to eliminate bottlenecks, and expected to be open to traffic in early 2020. The bulk of the project funding came from two sources, regional Measure A funds and an SB1 Local Partnership Program grant, both allocated by RCTC. These two sources of funding totaled \$19.6 million out of a total project cost of \$28 million.
  - Temescal Canyon Road between Dos Lagos Drive southerly to the Wildrose Business Park north limit
  - Wildrose Business Park south limit to the Temescal Canyon Road interchange
- 3. The striping was reconfigured at the Temescal Canyon Interchange and the Dos Lagos Drive/Weirick Road Interchange to improve traffic operations during morning rush hour.
- 4. Successfully obtained TUMF in the amount of \$3 million from WRCOG to fund planning and engineering for the widening of Temescal Canyon Road between El Cerrito Road and Tom Barnes Street from two lanes to four lanes. This segment is the next priority to deliver, and will be a complex project given the necessary right-of-way acquisitions.

County Transportation will develop a funding plan for the right of way acquisition and construction phase of the Temescal Canyon widening in El Cerrito, that will require further funding partnerships with the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) and the Western Regional Council of Governments (WRCOG) to maximize use of Federal, State and Regional funds. Our Board offices and the County Transportation Department will also work closely with the communities to obtain public feedback on the specific scope of the project.

#### **Inland Empire 2020 Census**

Every 10 years, the U.S. Census Bureau (Bureau) conducts a decennial census to determine the number of people living in the United States. The Bureau aims to count the entire population of the country and the location where each person resides. The goal is to count everyone once, only once, and in the right place. The U.S. Census is mandated by Article 1, Section 2 of the United States Constitution. A complete and accurate count of California's population is critical to the state. The data collected by the Bureau determines the number of seats each state has in the U.S. House of Representatives and is also used to distribute billions of dollars in federal funds to local communities.

More than 70 federal programs that benefit California, including education, health, human services, and transportation, use the Bureau's census data as part of their funding formula. Based on the funding component, a census that undercounts Californians could cost the state billions of dollars. For every Californian missed during the 2020 U.S. Census count, the state is expected to lose approximately \$1,950 per person, per year, for 10 years, in federal funding.

Below are some Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)'s related to the 2020 Census:

#### Why is the Census important?

A full count of all Riverside County residents is critically needed so that our local communities can receive resources to address needs such as infrastructure, health clinics, and schools. Data collected guide the distribution of funds for services and programs that are crucial to the well-being of families and communities, and also determine representation of our rapidly growing county at all levels of government. The Census comes around once a decade, giving us only one chance every 10 years to count as many people as possible so we can have fair representation and funding.

#### When does the Census take place?

The Census is conducted every ten years, with the next enumeration in 2020. Census Day is April 1, 2020. By this date, the Census Bureau will have sent notices to every single household in the U.S. with an invitation to participate. Starting in May 2020, Census takers will go door to door to households that have not responded.

#### Does citizenship status matter in the Census count?

No. The Census is a count of all our nation's residents. Everyone, regardless of immigration status, needs to take part in the 2020 Census count. The 2020 Census contains NO questions about an individual's citizenship status. For those who have concerns about opening your doors, there are other ways you can participate. You can participate online and over the phone, from the comfort of your home or at a community-run assistance center. Completing your Census early, before April 30, 2020, will prevent the need for the U.S. Census Bureau to visit your household. Your participation is vital, and your information is protected. The U.S. Census Bureau is bound by federal law to keep your information confidential and use your responses only to produce statistics. The government cannot publicly release your responses in any way that could identify you or your household. They also cannot share your information with immigration enforcement agencies, law enforcement agencies, or allow your responses to be used to determine your eligibility for government benefits.

#### **Inland Empire 2020 Census**

#### Who should take the Census?

Every person living in the United States of America on April 1, 2020 must be counted in the Census.

#### What is the Census used for?

The results of the Census are used for three main purposes: representation, federal funding, and data.

Representation: Census counts determine how many seats each state gets in the House of Representatives. Congressional, State Senate, and State Assembly district lines are drawn based on the amount of people in any given area.

Federal funding: Census data determines how more than \$675 billion of the federal budget gets spent across the nation every year. A third of the California state budget comes from the federal government to pay for programs like Medi-Cal, public education, housing infrastructure and housing assistance programs.

Data: Most of the population-driven data and research about our country comes from the Census. Governments, businesses, schools, nonprofit organizations, and others use this data to properly analyze the landscape of our communities across the country.

#### What are Riverside County's efforts on the Census?

Riverside County is partnering with San Bernardino County to develop a Census awareness campaign for the two-county region. The Inland Empire Complete Count Committee includes the two counties, community-based organizations, educational institutions and business and philanthropic sectors. The Inland Empire Complete Count Committee is co-chaired by Supervisor Perez and Supervisor Janice Rutherford of San Bernardino County.

Approximately 38 percent of Riverside County's population lives in hard-to-count neighborhoods. Hard-to-count populations include highly mobile residents, such as farmworkers; residents who live in non-traditional housing; individuals with low-English proficiency; and individuals experiencing homelessness. Riverside County is working hard to avoid an undercount, and is developing an outreach plan to maximize resources for outreach – including \$1.2 million the State of California has allocated to Riverside County for outreach efforts – and increase responses from hard-to-count populations. Additionally, the County is engaging cities, unincorporated communities, tribal governments and school districts to educate all of our communities about the Census.

As a united region, working with as many partners as possible, we can help promote a complete, fair and accurate Census count of Riverside County's population and be a model for the State of California.

#### How do I get involved in the Census?

You can have a key role in increasing awareness, trust and participation in the 2020 Census. We welcome your involvement, whether it's raising awareness, answering questions or encouraging community members to participate.

#### How do I work for the Census?

As Census Day approaches, the U.S. Census Bureau will fill thousands of positions at multiple Census offices across Riverside County. Job seekers can check: www.2020census.gov/jobs and www.USAJOBS.gov.

We have also attached a JOB flyer at the end of this newsletter if you are interested in working for the Census.

We hope you are fully loaded with information and up to date on some of the challenges the 2nd District is working on. *Also, don't forget that the Primary Elections are March 3rd, 2020* so don't forget to VOTE!

Until then, see you next month!

Sincerely,

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# Important Riverside County Contacts

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Code Enforcement:		-951-955-2004	
County Parks:		951-955-4310	
EDA Parks:		-886-810-0255	
Dept. of Men	tal Health:	951-955-7270	
Dept. of Public Social Services:951-955-3000			
<b>Environment</b>	al Health:	951-955-8980	)
Fire (Public Info):		951-955-4777	•
Graffiti Hotline:		951-955-3333	
Office on Aging:		·-951-867-3800	
Property Taxes:		951-955-3900	
Public Health:			
Registrar of \	/oters:	951-486-7200	
Report Illega	888-782-6263	3	
Sheriff Dept.	(Main):	951-95	5-2400
Stations:	Perris:	951-21	0-1000
	Lake Elsinore:	951-24	5-3300
	Jurupa Valley:	951-95	55-2600
Transportation:951-955-6700			
Weed Abatement:951-943-0640			

## **District 2 Events**

#### **Norco Chamber of Commerce Meeting**

On January 15th, Supervisor Spiegel and staff attended the first Norco Chamber of Commerce meeting of 2020.



## Inland Empire Economic Partnership Annual Awards Dinner

Supervisor Spiegel along with San Bernardino County Supervisor Janice Rutherford attended the Inland Empire Economic Partnership Annual Awards Dinner and awarded Ontario International Airport as "Business of the Year" on January 16th.

#### Bob Hope USO Inland Empire Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon

On January 18th, Supervisor Spiegel and staff attended the Bob Hope USO Inland Empire Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon that recognized all of the hard working volunteers that assist active duty personnel, veterans and their families.



## 27th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Riverside Walk-A-Thon

Supervisor Spiegel attended the 27th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Walk-A-Thon to honor civil rights activist Martin Luther King Jr. on January 20th.



#### **Eastbrew Cafe and Bakery Grand Opening**

On January 23rd, staff attended the Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting of the highly anticipated Eastbrew Cafe & Bakery located at 12303 Limonite Avenue, Unit 710 in the City of Eastvale. If you are looking for some great coffee, go check them out!

## **District 2 Events**



## Corona Fire Department Annual Recognition & Badge Pinning Ceremony

On January 25th, Supervisor Spiegel attended the Corona Fire Department Annual Recognition & Badge Pinning Ceremony celebrating Tim Luna for "Firefighter of the Year" and Kaitlyn Turlo for "Fire Explorer of the Year Award" along with the many other awards celebrating the many accomplishments of the City of Corona Fire Department.





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## See's Candies Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting

On January 24th, staff attended the Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting of the See's Candies shop in the City of Jurupa Valley. If you have a sweet tooth, go check them out!





#### **Eagle Scout Ranking Ceremony**

On January 18th, the Eagle Scouts awarded Maximillian Daniel Hernandez with the Eagle Scout Award. Eagle Scout is the highest achievement or rank attainable in the Scouts BSA program of the Boy Scouts of America (BSA). Since its inception in 1911, only four percent of Scouts have earned this rank after a lengthy review process. The Eagle Scout rank has been earned by over 2.5 million youth.



## **Upcoming Events**

#### **February 6, 2020**

Word Circus: Celebrating Black History Month With Spoken Word 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Riverside Public Library Mission Inn Avenue Riverside, CA 92501

#### **February 7, 2020**

16th Annual Inland Empire Caucus Legislative Breakfast 8:00 AM- 10:00 AM DoubleTree Hilton 222 N Vineyard Avenue Ontario, CA 91764

#### **February 8, 2020**

Census Education & Job Recruitment 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM JUSD Parent Center 4850 Pedley Road Jurupa Valley, CA 92509

#### February 14-23, 2020

National Date Festival 82-503 Hwy 111 Indio, CA 92201 www.datefest.org

#### February 16, 2020

Anniversary of War Dog Memorial March Air Museum 22550 Van Buren Boulevard Riverside, CA 92518 www.marchfield.org

#### February 16, 2020

Chinese Lantern Carnival 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM Eastvale Community Center 13820 Schleisman Road Eastvale, CA 92880

#### February 23, 2020

Corona Firefighters Association Annual Charity Race 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Pole Position Raceway Corona 1594 E Bentley Drive Corona, CA 92879

#### February 23, 2020

Crystal Apple Awards 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Church of Jesus Christ Ladder Day Saints 1510 Taber Street Corona, CA 92881

#### February 29, 2020

Fire & Ice Chili Cook-Off 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM Shops at Dos Lagos 2780 Cabot Drive Corona, CA 92883

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#### February 27, 2020

Eastvale Chamber of Commerce 10 years Celebration 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Eastvale Community Center 13820 Schleisman Road Eastvale, CA 92880

#### February 28, 2020

Garretson Elementary Community Health & Safety Carnival 4:30 PM - 7:00 PM Garretson Elementary School Garretson Avenue Corona, CA 92879

#### February 29, 2020

Fire & Ice Chili Cook-Off 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM Shops at Dos Lagos 2780 Cabot Drive Corona, CA 92883

#### March 3, 2020

Presidential Primary Election www.sos.ca.gov

#### March 14, 2020

Corona-Norco Community Free Health Screening 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM Corona High School 1150 W. 10th Street Corona, CA 92882

#### March 21, 2020

Skate & BMX Jam 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM Harada Heritage Skatepark 13099 65th Street Eastvale, CA 92880

#### March 14, 2020

13th Annual Run 4 Kids 7:30 AM - 10:00 AM Auburndale Intermediate School 1255 River Road Corona, CA 92880

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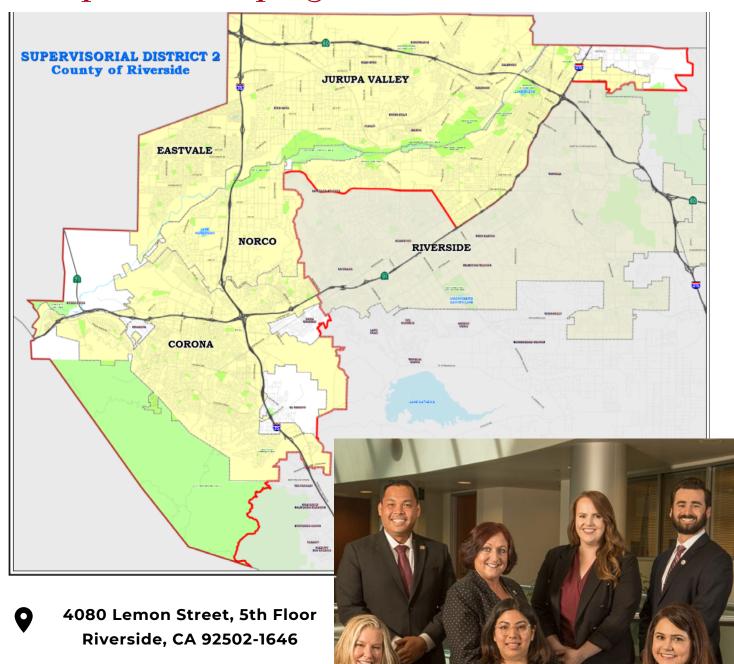
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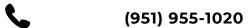
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#### March 26, 2020

Inland Valley Business Expo 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM Silverlakes Equestrian and Sports Park 5555 Hamner Avenue Norco, CA 92880

## Supervisor Spiegel's 2nd District Team





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Unincorporated Communities of: Coronita, El Cerrito, Highgrove and Home Gardens

## 2020 CENSUS OFFICE

#### RIVERSIDE, CA

1605 Spruce Street Suite #104 Riverside, CA 92507

Phone: 855-562-2020

2020 Timeline information

www.2020census.gov/en/important-dates

Other Jobs available

www.census.gov/fieldiobs

look for Decennial Employment Opportunities

Request an application workshop. Contact your local Recruiting Manager 1-855-562-2020

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2020CENSUS.GOV

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# Riverside County, CA Job Opportunities

\$16.50 - \$18.50 per hour

One application is all it takes to be considered for all positions!

Census Field Supervisors  •Supervises a Team of Enumerators.	\$18.50 per hour	
Enumerators (Census Takers)     Visit households to validate address and follow-up on Census questionnaire.	\$17.00 per hour	
Recruiting Assistants  •Promote Census Jobs. Local grassroots recruiting.	\$18.50 per hour	
Office Operations Supervisors  •Supervises office clerks.	\$18.00 per hour	
Clerks  •Performs clerical office duties as assigned.	\$16.50 per hour	

Apply online www.2020census.gov/jobs 1-855-562-2020

#### **Basic Qualifications**

- ✓ Must have valid email address
- √ U.S. Citizenship required
- ✓ Must be 18 years of age or older.

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# HEALTH & SAFETY CARNIVAL

PRESENTED BY GARRETSON PTA

Friday, February 28, 2020 • 4:30 - 7 pm

Garretson Elementary, 1650 Garretson Ave. Corona, CA 92879

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR FAMILY DATE NIGHT AND COME MEET YOUR LOCAL FIRST RESPONDERS TO LEARN ABOUT THE HEALTH AND SAFETY RESOURCES AVAILABLE IN YOUR COMMUNITY.

#### THE FREE EVENT INCLUDES:

- HEALTH AND WELLNESS BOOTHS
- SAFETY TIPS | DEMONSTRATIONS | SIMULATIONS
- ZUMBA FITNESS LESSONS
- BLOOD DRIVE
- OPPORTUNITY DRAWINGS
- PHOTOS WITH GARRETSON GATOR
   AND MASCOT FRIENDS

"FOOD AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE"
FREE TOTE BAG FOR FIRST 100 ATTENDEES

LET'S LEARN AND PREPARE TOGETHER!



PARTICIPANTS: CITY OF CORONA FIRE AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS,
KAISER PERMANENTE, NORCO COLLEGE, AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION,
CNUSD PARENT CENTER, ALTURA CREDIT UNION, LIFE STREAM,
CRUNCH FITNESS, FUTURELINK AND MORE.

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Garretson class with highest attendance will receive a special treat.