

THE SPIEGEL SPOTLIGHT

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District 2 Update

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Dear Neighbor,

As we approach the end of this first year, I can honestly say that I've been impressed with the quality and professionalism from the men and women who work daily to improve the quality of life for all Riverside County residents. Transitioning from City to County government has not been a cakewalk but my staff and I are more than prepared to tackle these challenges and excited to serve the residents and businesses throughout Riverside County.

The County and the 2nd District will be facing plenty of challenges in the upcoming months and years ahead.

These items are as follows:

Budget Management - One of my priorities has always been fiscal responsibility. In coordination with the Executive Office and my fellow Board Members, we will strive for ways to save and be more efficient with our resources. I'm hoping to see more cost efficient policies come forward in the upcoming months/years from our departments to make sure we are using tax payer dollars wisely.

Law Enforcement - With the anticipated opening of the John J. Benoit detention facility in early 2020, the Riverside County Sheriff's Department is working on filling the detention center with appropriate staff. This new 4-story, 1,626-bed housing structure will house our inmate population needs for years to come. Given the climate and attitude towards law enforcement these past couple years, it's no wonder we are having a hard time filling Sheriff Deputy positions. My goal is to assist and support the Riverside County Sheriff's Department as they move forward with these challenges.

Health and Human Services - A challenge we face is that the State of California has mandated the county cover the cost of inmate healthcare as they enter our county jail system. The county is required to provide quality healthcare to inmates which will ultimately be a burden on our county, moving forward. We will work with our Health and Human Services Departments to find efficiencies and cut the costs of these expenses.

Transportation - There are plenty of traffic issues facing our region, and the 2nd District has its fair share. Being that the 2nd District is the only major arterial corridor into Orange County, this topic is important to all. The recent Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) vote in July 2019 to remove funding from the 91-Freeway to other parts of the county without first completing the 91-Freeway corridor is a major challenge. I will continue to work with my colleagues and to fight for the Transportation dollars for our District.

Temescal Canyon Road: We are working with the Riverside County Transportation Department on the widening of Temescal Canyon Road between El Cerrito and Cajalco Road from a single lane to a double lane. The cost to conduct the environmental and acquire the right-of-way within this stretch will be challenging, but we are getting the process started.

Limonite Bridge: The Limonite bridge ribbon cutting will be November 14, 2019 at 9:00am. The changes consist of a new eight-lane overcrossing; three lanes in each direction plus two turn lanes; widening of the off-ramps from two to four lanes; the addition of two new loop on-ramps, and widening of Limonite to four lanes in each direction between Hamner Avenue and Wineville Avenue. These highly anticipated improvements will alleviate traffic for the City of Eastvale and City of Jurupa Valley residents within the I-15 and Limonite Avenue corridor.

Homelessness - Homelessness is on the rise and State and Federal funding for homeless services are not increasing quickly enough to match the needs within Riverside County. I am working alongside our County Executive Leadership to carefully monitor and track all spending and income activities related to addressing homelessness so that we can ensure the maximum impact of those dollars in the region. It is going to take creative and collaborative efforts to solve this complex issue and a focus on innovations which more effectively assist our constituents by tearing down the silos which have long contributed to failed systems of care. Over time, we will shift our focus to developing preventative tools aimed at supporting vulnerable individuals who may be at-risk of entering homelessness.

Highgrove MAC

On October 29, 2019, the District re-established the Municipal Advisory Council (MAC) in the community of Highgrove. The more than 1,500 unit development of Spring Mountain Ranch within Highgrove has really changed the dynamics of this community and the MAC will be a good way to address the needs of the area. We have a great group of working professionals who are committed to their community and will serve the MAC well. I'm looking forward to seeing you at future meetings!

Emergency Preparedness

It is Fire Season! The 2nd District witnessed some horrible fires in late October. Although tragic, we are blessed that there was no loss of human life. All first responders and professional staff throughout the County did an outstanding job in working through these challenging, stressful and rapidly evolving events. Special recognition goes to Patriot High School and Roosevelt High School for hosting our Care and Reception Centers during the evacuation period.

FINAL THOUGHTS

As we publish these newsletters on a monthly basis, I will be providing thoughts and insights on some of the accomplishments and pressing issues. I hope this is a way for you to keep up-to-date on the latest news within our District. My goal is to foster economic growth in the region by finding ways to cut red tape, engage commerce and the business community, boosting our Economic Development by attracting new jobs and promoting responsible development. This in turn will generate additional revenue sources without burdening the hard working tax payers of this county.

Until then, Happy Thanksgiving!

Sincerely,



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COMMUNITY EVENTS

6TH ANNUAL - GROW RIVERSIDE CONFERENCE

On October 7, 2019 we attended the 6th Annual Grow Riverside Conference at the Crestmore Manor in Jurupa Valley to promote active and healthy living by buying and growing locally. #GrowRiverside www.GrowRiv.com



CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD SIGNING CELEBRATION



On October 16, 2019 in advance of moving its Southern California Headquarters to Riverside in 2021, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) celebrated by signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Riverside Unified School District, Riverside Community Colleges and the University of California Riverside to work with faculty and students of each organization to advance research and inspire students at all levels to learn more about air quality, the impacts of climate change, and CARB's efforts to clean the air.

CRESTMORE MANOR RE-GRAND OPENING IN JURUPA VALLEY

On October 17, 2019 we had a Grand Re-Opening of the Crestmore Manor in Jurupa Valley. It is a great place for your next wedding or event! For more information, please check out their website at: <https://www.rivcoparks.org/crestmore-manor/>





Important Riverside County Contacts

Animal Services:	-----951-358-7387
Building & Safety (Permits):	-----951-955-1800
Code Enforcement:	-----951-955-2004
County Parks:	-----951-955-4310
EDA Parks:	-----886-810-0255
Dept. of Mental Health:	-----951-955-7270
Dept. of Public Social Services:	---951-955-3000
Environmental 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:	----- 951-358-5000
Registrar of Voters:	-----951-486-7200
Report Illegal Dumping:	-----888-782-6263
Sheriff Dept. (Main):	-----951-955-2400
Stations: Perris:	-----951-210-1000
Lake Elsinore:	-----951-245-3300
Jurupa Valley:	-----951-955-2600
Transportation:	-----951-955-6700
Weed Abatement:	-----951-943-0640

Upcoming Events

November 14, 2019

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

**I-15 Limonite Avenue
Interchange Project Ribbon
Cutting Ceremony**

12105 Limonite Avenue
Jurupa Valley, CA 92860

November 21-Dec. 29, 2019

4:30 PM - 9:30 PM

Amaze Light Festival

5555 Hamner Avenue
Norco, CA 92880

November 23, 2019

5:00 PM - 10:00PM

**Corona Chamber of Commerce
Montecarlo Masquerade**

222 N. Vineyard Avenue
Ontario, CA 91764

**Starting November 29 -
December 31, 2019**

Festival of Lights

3649 Mission Inn Avenue
Riverside, CA 92501

November 20, 2019

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

**Donuts with the Supervisor
Eddie D. Smith Senior Center**

5888 Mission Boulevard
Riverside, CA 92509

December 1, 2019

Holiday Tree Lighting

3:00pm - 8:00pm

Corona Civic Center

815 W. 6th Street
Corona, CA 92882

December 6, 2019

6:00pm - 8:00pm

**Holiday Tree Lighting
Jurupa Valley City Hall**

8930 Limonite Avenue
Jurupa Valley, CA 92509

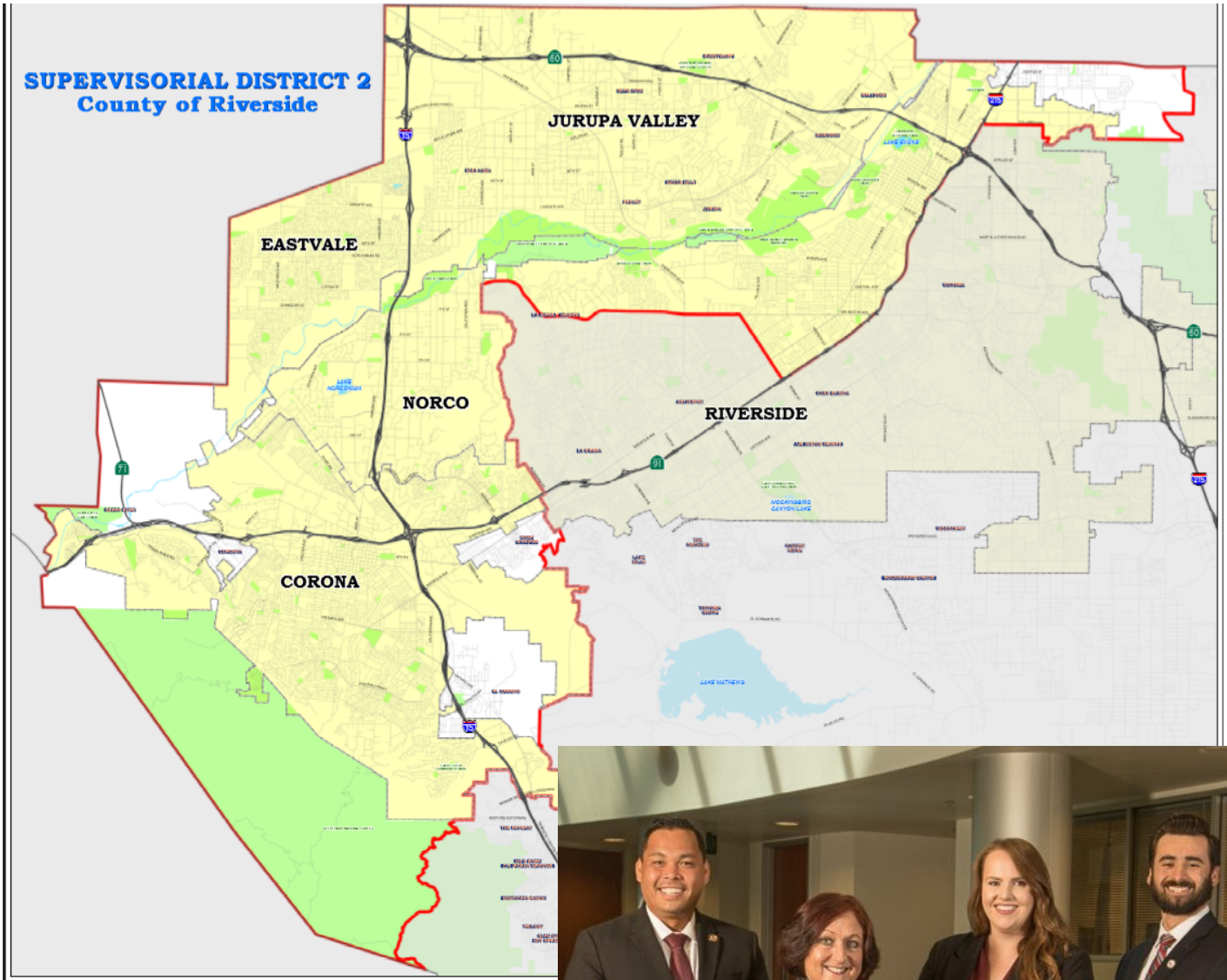
December 7, 2019

10:00am - 12:00pm


**December 7th - Pearl Harbor
Remembrance Ceremony**

1999 4th St
Norco, California 92860

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