

THE SPIEGEL SPOTLIGHT

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District 2 Update

Dear Neighbor,

As we move into the holiday season, we look forward to spending time with our family and friends. During this special time of the year we have many things to be thankful for and I'd like to especially thank our first responders for their dedication and hard work in keeping all of us safe.

I would also like to acknowledge and thank the many non-profits and volunteers in our communities that help provide the essential services to our most vulnerable residents. These non-profits range from helping the homeless, foster youths, struggling families and at-risk youths to get through the holiday season. This holiday season I'd like to encourage you to get involved and reach out to a non-profit and see how you can make a difference in your community and the lives of the less fortunate.

I'd also like to discuss some of the things we accomplished last month and what we have to moving forward:

Housing Near the Job Centers

As a Committee Member for the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), we are tasked with planning growth over the next decade for the Southern California Region. Last month, in a dramatic shift in how we plan for housing, the SCAG Committee with the help of Riverside, San Bernardino and Los Angeles counties and cities decided to push for more housing in coastal rather than inland cities.

The original SCAG plan would have pushed more growth to the Inland Empire and desert cities and would have required Riverside County to bear the burden of all the new housing that would have been mandated. With the help of City of Riverside Mayor Rusty Bailey and City of Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, the common theme shared during the meeting was that in order for our residents to have a better quality of life, we could not continue to outsource our workers from outside the region and to actually provide them an opportunity to live where they work.

The original plan would have required desert regions like the City of Coachella to build approximately 15,000 new homes over the next decade versus the City of Laguna Beach (near job rich Irvine) to only build 55 homes.

The overall plan the committee ultimately approved will require Los Angeles and Orange counties to plan for approximately 124,000 additional houses compared to the alternative plan, which largely would have shifted those homes to Riverside and San Bernardino counties and cities.

Adoption Celebrations

In honor of November as National Adoption Month, the Riverside County Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) held their annual adoption finalization ceremony on November 2nd at the Historic Downtown Riverside Courthouse. Forty families gathered to celebrate the final step in adopting 56 amazing children.

More than 100 Foster Care children await permanent adoptive homes in Riverside County on any given day. "There are many wonderful children in need of loving and supportive families," said Sarah Mack, Director of the Riverside County Department of Public Social Services.

The department encourages those interested in fostering or adoption to contact them for more information at 1-800-665-KIDS.

Point-in-Time (PIT) Count - Volunteers Needed

Over the past year, homelessness has become one of our community's most pressing and hotly contested problems. As I and my fellow Supervisors focus our efforts to tackle it head-on, I am asking for your help and involvement.

Every January, Riverside County conducts an annual "Point-in-Time Homeless Count" as a way to gauge how many homeless live on our streets and in shelters, as well as to gather key demographic information. The Department of Housing and Urban Development requires all communities that receive federal funding, including Riverside County, to perform the count to help determine the level of funding jurisdictions receive each year. Having an accurate count is vitally important to ensure that Riverside County receives the funding we need to provide essential homeless supportive and preventative services.

The 2020 Point-in-Time Count will take place over the course of three days with the highest concentration taking place during the street-based survey on Wednesday, January 29. The following two days will see volunteers specifically surveying for homeless persons who are under the age of 25. In order to have as accurate of a count as possible, we are seeking at least 700 volunteers to assist with the three-day count. Roughly that same number participated in the 2019 survey, which documented 2,811 sheltered and unsheltered homeless adults and minors throughout the county, a 21% increase from the 2018 count results.

Training is required for all volunteers prior to the count and volunteers must have a smart phone or tablet to conduct the survey, be able to walk up to two hours, and be 18 years or older. Volunteers ages 16-17 must be accompanied by an adult. The Point-in-Time Count is scheduled for **Wednesday, January 29, 2020 from 5:30AM to 9:30AM. The Youth Count is scheduled for January 29-31 from 2:00PM to 8:00PM.**

Interested participants can register at www.rivcoexchange.com.

Sincerely,



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COMMUNITY EVENTS

YOUTH IN GOVERNMENT DAY

On October 30th, The Youth Commission hosted Riverside County's annual Youth in Government Day. Youth in Government Day is an event where students are paired with County Employees based on their interests and career aspirations for a day of job shadowing. The students get to see firsthand what a day in the life of a county employee is like, such as a District Attorney, Probation Officer, Human Resources, and many more. This allows them to see if their career interests are right for them and open their eyes to other careers they may not have previously considered before. Members from Second District YAC believe that the 2019 Youth in Government Day served its purpose. Council members have stated that this event has given them new perspectives and a sense of direction in the careers that they are interested in pursuing after high school. Second District YAC members are eager to participate in Youth in Government Day again next year!



I-15 LIMONITE AVENUE INTERCHANGE PROJECT RIBBON CUTTING



On November 14, 2019 Supervisor Spiegel was joined by Senator Richard Roth, Assemblymember Sabrina Cervantes, City of Eastvale, City of Jurupa Valley, & Riverside County Transportation in celebrating the Ribbon Cutting of the I-15 Limonite Avenue Interchange Project.

SENIOR THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON



Supervisor Spiegel & staff joined residents at the Corona Senior Center on November 18, 2019 to start off the Holiday season at the Senior Thanksgiving Luncheon.

NORTHGATE GONZALEZ MARKET #43 GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION



On November 19, 2019 Supervisor Spiegel joined members of the community and the Gonzalez family in celebrating the Grand opening of the Northgate González Market #43 in Riverside. Northgate González Markets takes pride in providing quality meat, freshest produce and authentic Mexican cuisine prepared on-site.



SENIOR DONUT DAY



AMAZE LIGHT FESTIVAL

Supervisor Spiegel & staff celebrated the kick off of the Holidays during the Amaze Light Festival at the Silverlakes Sports Park in the City of Norco on November 22.



On November 20, 2019 Supervisor Spiegel & staff had coffee & donuts with the residents of the Eddie Dee Smith Senior Center and chatted about community related issues.





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 21-Dec. 29, 2019

Amaze Light Festival

4:30 PM - 9:30 PM

5555 Hamner Avenue

Norco, CA 92880

November 29 - December 31, 2019

Festival of Lights

3649 Mission Inn Avenue

Riverside, CA 92501

December 6, 2019

Holiday Tree Lighting

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Jurupa Valley City Hall

8930 Limonite Avenue

Jurupa Valley, CA 92509

December 7, 2019

Arthritis Foundation Jingle Bell Run

6:30 AM - 10:30 AM

Santana Regional Park

598 Santana Way

Corona, CA 92881

December 7, 2019

Winter Wonderland Tree Lighting Ceremony

Eastvale Community Center

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

13820 Schleisman Road

Eastvale, CA 92880

December 7, 2019

Norco Pearl Harbor

Commemorative Ceremony

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

1999 4th Street

Norco, CA 92860

December 10, 2019

Riverside County Office of Education Foundation Annual Sponsor Recognition Event

5:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Office of Education

3939 13th Street

Riverside, CA 92501

December 11, 2019

Latino Network's Annual Nuestra Navidad Breakfast

7:30 AM - 9:00AM

Bordwell Park-Stratton Rec Center

2008 Martin Luther King Blvd.

Riverside, CA 92507



Upcoming Events

December 11, 2019

**Corona Regional Medical Center
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony**

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Corona Regional Medical Center
800 S Main Street
Corona, CA 92882

December 12, 2019

**Starting Over Second Annual
Fundraiser Luncheon**

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

City Circle Center
365 N Main Street
Corona, CA 92880

December 14, 2019

**9th Annual Multi Cultural Council
Day of Inclusion**

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Historic Camp Anza
5797 Picker Street
Riverside, CA 92503

December 16, 2019

**Riverside County Board of
Supervisors Holiday Open House &
Toy Drive**

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

County Administrative Center
4080 Lemon Street, 5th Floor
Riverside, CA 92501

December 16, 2019

**Riverside County Sheriff
Department Blue Light Ceremony**

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

County Administrative Center
4080 Lemon Street,
Riverside, CA 92501

December 21, 2019

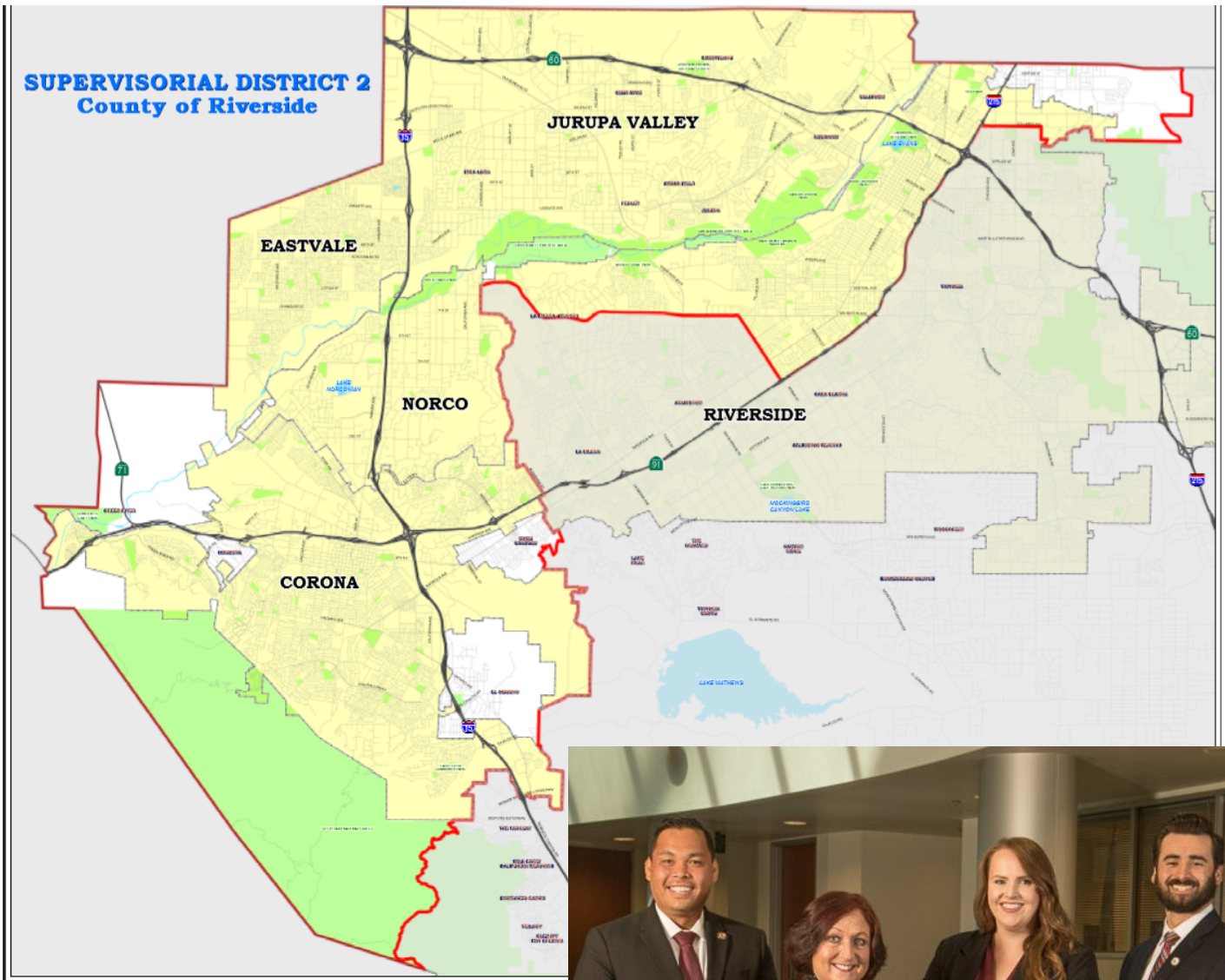
Kids & Cops Holiday Magic

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM


Victoria Park
312 W. 9th Street
Corona, CA 92881



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City of Arts & Innovation

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



Join
A Point in Time



VOLUNTEER to COUNT!

Join the **Point in Time Count** of unsheltered youth over three days to determine the extent of homelessness in Riverside County.

2:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

January 29 – January 31

Register to volunteer at

www.RivCoExchange.com

Point in Time Hotline 951-358-3844

