

Your Ballot.
Vote Early.
All Ways Secure.

IMPORTANT DATES

Mail Ballots Delivered to U.S.
Post Office October 7

Early Voting begins on October 7

October 21, 2024

Voter Registration Deadline

November 5, 2024

Election Day

4 Ways to Cast Your Ballot

1. Vote by Mail
2. Mail Ballot Drop-Off Locations
3. Early Vote Sites
4. Polling Places

For details on locations and hours of
Early Vote Sites and Polling Places,
visit **Elections.SBCounty.gov**

To track your mail ballot, sign up
at **WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov**

Voted mail ballots must be
postmarked on or before November 5

San Bernardino County Registrar of Voters

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votante en español esta adentro*

2024 General Election

Tuesday, November 5, 2024

COUNTY VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE



COMPREHENSIVE

Please use this Voter Information Guide to find helpful information about this election...

OR

Access personalized election information from a mobile device or computer using:



My Elections Gateway provides you the following:

- ◆ My Registration Status
- ◆ My Mail Ballot Drop-Off Map
- ◆ My Elected Officials
- ◆ My Polling Place
- ◆ My Election Results
- ◆ And Much More...



To access your personalized election information, go to:
Elections.SBCounty.gov
Click on the M.E. Gateway link.

For additional election information, visit the
California Secretary of State's website
www.sos.ca.gov/elections



For more election resources, visit
Elections.SBCounty.gov
or call (800) 881-VOTE or (909) 387-8300.

Dear San Bernardino County Voter:

Welcome to this San Bernardino County Voter Information Guide (VIG) that explains how, when, and where to vote in the 2024 General Election on November 5.

As your Registrar of Voters, I am committed to ensuring the election is accessible, secure, and safe for all voters in San Bernardino County. Every active registered voter in the county will receive a mail ballot, which we will provide to the U.S Postal Service for delivery to you beginning October 7.

As a reminder, there are four different ways to cast your ballot this election: 1) Voting by mail, 2) Using one of the countywide Mail Ballot Drop-Off Locations, 3) Visiting an Early Vote Site, or 4) Going to a Polling Place on Election Day. My hope is that these four ways make it convenient to vote when it works for your schedule.

You can vote by mail by mailing your voted ballot using the U.S. Postal Service. The postage is pre-paid. Or, you can drop your voted ballot at an Early Vote Site or in one of the more than 70 mail ballot drop-off locations across the county. To find an early vote site or mail ballot drop-off location near you, visit **Elections.SBCounty.gov**.

Polling places will be open on Election Day, Tuesday, November 5. The location of your polling place is provided on the back cover of this guide. Since it can be challenging to fit in voting before or after work hours on Election Day and polling places may have significant wait times, I encourage you to vote before November 5. Besides mailing back your ballot or taking it to a drop-off location, the first Early Vote Site opens at the San Bernardino County Registrar of Voters office on October 7.

And if you want to get involved in the election process, you can help with voter education or take time to be an Election Day poll worker. You can learn more about being an Election Day poll worker and find the application in this guide.

This election, the Registrar of Voters is your source for accurate information on how and where to vote, the contests on the ballot, our secure ballot processing, and up-to-date election results after the polls close on Election Day. If you have any questions about the election, please call us at (909) 387-8300, email us at Communications@rov.sbcounty.gov, or visit our website at **Elections.SBCounty.gov**.

Sincerely,

Stephenie Shea
Registrar of Voters

Your Ballot. Your Vote. All Ways Secure.

2024 General Election

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Voter Registration

You received this Voter Information Guide because you are a registered voter in San Bernardino County.

Submit a Change of Address form if you move within the County or change your mailing address. To submit an in-county change of address:

- Download the Change of Address form at **Elections.SBCounty.gov/VoterRegistration/incountycoaforms**
- Return the completed and signed form to the Registrar of Voters office by:
 - Mail: Registrar of Voters, 777 E. Rialto Avenue, San Bernardino, CA 92415
 - Email: VoterRegistrations@rov.sbcounty.gov
 - Fax: (909) 387-2022

Register or re-register if you move outside the County, change your name, party preference, or want to update your signature. To register or re-register:

- Online: Go to **RegisterToVote.ca.gov**
- By Mail: Request a voter registration application to be mailed to you. Call (800) 881-VOTE or (909) 387-8300 or email VoterRegistrations@rov.sbcounty.gov
- In-Person: Pick up a voter registration application at locations throughout the County. Maps of voter registration locations within San Bernardino County are available at: **Elections.SBCounty.gov/VoterRegistration/Where**

The voter registration deadline for this election is Monday, October 21.

Missed the October 21 voter registration deadline?



Visit the Registrar of Voters office, an Early Vote site, or any polling place to fill out a conditional voter registration application and vote a provisional ballot. For more information, visit **Elections.SBCounty.gov** or call (800) 881-VOTE or (909) 387-8300.

What's On Your Ballot

In the 2024 General Election, all voters will receive an Official Ballot. Depending on which voting precinct you reside in, the following contests and measures may appear on your ballot.

Party-Nominated Offices

- President and Vice President
- The party nominating the candidate is listed with the candidate's name.
- Voters may write in the name of a candidate whose name is not listed.

Voter-Nominated Offices

- Includes contests for:
 - United States Senator (Full Term)
 - United States Senator (Partial/Unexpired Term)
 - United States Representative
 - State Senator
 - Member of the State Assembly
- Only the top two vote-getters from the Primary appear on the ballot regardless of party preference.
- The party preference of the candidate is listed on the ballot.
- Voters may not write in the name of a candidate whose name is not on the ballot.

Nonpartisan Offices

- Includes contests for:
 - School Offices
 - County Offices
 - City Offices
 - Special District Offices
- The party preference of the candidate is not listed on the ballot.
- Voters may write in the name of a candidate whose name is not on the ballot.

Measures Submitted to the Voters

- State propositions
- Local ballot measures (only in certain jurisdictions)

Information about state propositions is available in your California Official Voter Information Guide and on the California Secretary of State's website at **[VoterGuide.sos.ca.gov](https://www.voterguide.sos.ca.gov)**.

Voting Information

Four Ways to Receive Your Ballot

- 1) **A ballot will be mailed to you**
 - Mail ballots will be delivered to the U.S. Postal Service on Monday, October 7.
- 2) **Request a replacement mail ballot**
 - If you do not receive your ballot, or your ballot is damaged, or you mismatch your ballot.
 - Call (909) 387-8300 or visit the Registrar of Voters' website at **Elections.SBCounty.gov**.
 - Visit the Registrar of Voters office from Monday to Friday, October 7 through November 4 (Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.). The office will also be open on Saturday, November 2 (8 a.m. - 5 p.m.) and Election Day, November 5 (7 a.m. - 8 p.m.)
 - Visit any Early Vote site (*see next page for hours and locations*).
- 3) **Access a Remote Accessible Vote By Mail Ballot (RAVBM)**
 - Voters may use their computer to access and vote using an accessible ballot. Once selections are marked, voters will print their ballot, place it in an envelope, and return it to the Registrar of Voters main office, a Polling Place, Mail Ballot Drop-off location or Early Vote site.
 - To access the RAVBM and the Accessible Voter Information Guide, visit the Registrar of Voters' website at **Elections.SBCounty.gov**.
- 4) **Visit your Polling Place**
 - Polling Places are open on Election Day, November 5 (7 a.m. - 8 p.m.)
 - At a Polling Place, you may vote in person, register to vote to receive a ballot, request a replacement ballot, and receive accessibility and language assistance.

Four Ways to Cast Your Voted Ballot

- 1) **By Mail**
 - Place your voted ballot in the postage-paid Official Return Envelope provided.
 - Sign and seal the envelope.
 - Mail your voted ballot via U.S. Postal Service.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: *In order for your ballot to be eligible to be counted, the return envelope MUST be postmarked on or before November 5 and received by the Registrar of Voters office no later than November 12.*
- 2) **Mail Ballot Drop-off Location**
 - Place your voted ballot in the postage-paid Official Return Envelope provided.
 - Sign and seal the envelope.
 - Drop off your voted ballot at any secure mail ballot drop-off location listed at **Elections.SBCounty.gov/Voting/MailBallotDropOff**.
- 3) **Early Vote Site**
 - Place your voted ballot in the postage-paid Official Return Envelope provided.
 - Sign and seal the envelope.
 - Drop off your voted ballot at any Early Vote site (*see next page for hours and locations*).
 - At any Early Vote site, you may also register to vote to receive a ballot, request a replacement ballot, and receive accessibility and language assistance.
- 4) **Polling Place**
 - Place your voted ballot in the postage-paid Official Return Envelope provided.
 - Sign and seal the envelope.
 - Drop off your voted ballot at any polling place.
 - You may also cast an in-person ballot at your polling place.
 - You may also register to vote to receive a ballot, and receive accessibility and language assistance.
 - Polling Places are open on Election Day, November 5 (7 a.m. - 8 p.m.)

You may track your mail ballot using California Secretary of State's tracking tool at:
WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov

In-Person Voting Locations

1) San Bernardino County Registrar of Voters

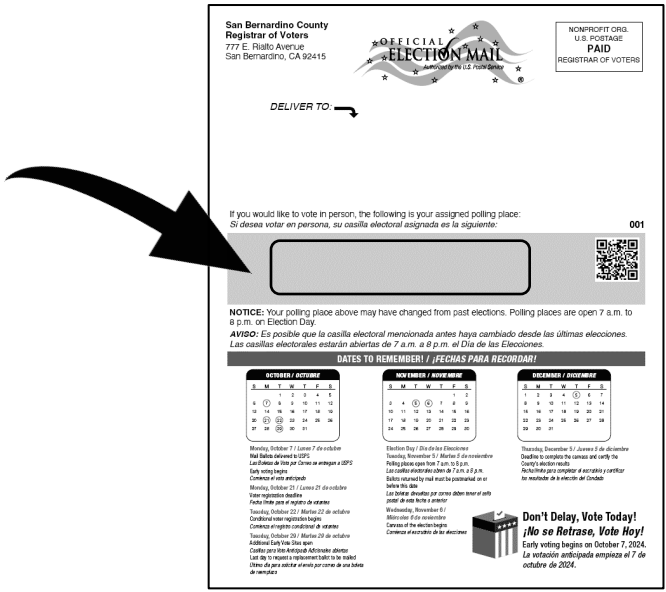
- 777 E. Rialto Avenue, San Bernardino, CA 92415
- Open Monday through Friday, October 7 to November 4, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Closed on Monday, October 14 in observance of the holiday.
- Open Saturday, November 2, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Open Election Day, Tuesday, November 5, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

2) Additional Early Vote Sites

- Vote at any of the following additional four locations.
- Open Tuesday, October 29 to Saturday, November 2, and Monday, November 4, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
 - Town of Apple Valley Recreation Center
14955 Dale Evans Parkway, Apple Valley, CA 92307
 - Joshua Tree Community Center
6171 Sunburst Street, Joshua Tree, CA 92252
 - Ontario Conference Center
1947 E. Convention Center Way, Ontario, CA 91764
 - Victorville City Hall
14343 Civic Drive, Victorville, CA 92392

3) Polling Places

- Open Election Day, Tuesday, November 5, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- To find your assigned polling place, refer to the back of this guide.



For more information:

- Use the My Elections Gateway online application on the Registrar of Voters' website at **Elections.SBCounty.gov**.
- Use the Polling Place Look-Up Tool on the Registrar of Voters' website at **Elections.SBCounty.gov**.
- Call (800) 881-VOTE or (909) 387-8300.


Voting Instructions

Marking your official ballot

1. Use only **Blue** or **Black** pen or marker to completely fill in the oval voting target to the left of your choice like this: DO NOT USE RED INK.

Example:

Contest Name	
Vote for one	
<input type="radio"/>	Candidate A
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Candidate B
<input type="radio"/>	Candidate C
<input type="radio"/>	(Write-In / En-Escrito)



2. To vote for a candidate, completely fill in the oval voting target to the left of the candidate's name. Do not vote for more candidates than the number indicated for each office.
3. To vote for a qualified write-in candidate, fill in the voting target for the write-in and write the person's name in the blank space provided.
4. To vote on any measure, completely fill in the oval voting target to the left of the word **"YES"** or **"NO"**.
5. If you make a mistake or damage your ballot, request a replacement ballot.

Marking your sample ballot

1. On the following pages, you will find your sample ballot customized for your voting precinct.
2. For your convenience, you may pre-mark your sample ballot to assist you with marking your official ballot at home, or at your polling place.

Special Notice: Contests for United States Senator

There are two U.S. Senate contests on the November 5, 2024, General Election ballot.

- The first contest is the regular election for the full 6-year term ending January 3, 2031.
- The second contest is a special vacancy election (the current officeholder is temporarily filling a vacancy) for the remainder of the current term ending January 3, 2025.

You may vote for both contests.

SAMPLE BALLOT

BOLETA DE MUESTRA

OFFICIAL BALLOT General Election November 5, 2024 San Bernardino County	BOLETA OFICIAL Elecciones Generales 5 de noviembre de 2024 Condado de San Bernardino
INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: 1. Use only Blue or Black pen or marker to completely fill in the oval voting target <input type="radio"/> to the left of your choice like this: <input checked="" type="radio"/> DO NOT USE RED INK. 2. To vote for a candidate, completely fill in the oval voting target to the left of the candidate's name. Do not vote for more candidates than the number indicated for each office. 3. To vote for a qualified write-in candidate, fill in the voting target for the write-in and write the person's name in the blank space provided. 4. To vote on any measure, completely fill in the oval voting target to the left of the word "YES" or "NO". 5. If you make a mistake or damage your ballot, request a replacement ballot.	INSTRUCCIONES PARA LOS VOTANTES: 1. Use únicamente una pluma o un marcador de color Azul o Negro para llenar por completo el área ovalada <input type="radio"/> a la izquierda de su elección de la siguiente manera: <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO USE TINTA ROJA. 2. Para votar por un candidato, llene completamente el área ovalada a la izquierda del nombre del candidato. No vote por más candidatos que el número indicado para cada cargo. 3. Para votar por un candidato por escrito calificado, llene el área para candidato por escrito y escriba el nombre de la persona en el espacio en blanco proporcionado. 4. Para votar sobre cualquier medida, llene completamente el área ovalada a la izquierda de la palabra "SI" o "NO". 5. Si comete un error o daña su boleta, solicite una boleta de reemplazo.

Party-Nominated Offices <i>Cargos Nominados por los Partidos</i>	Voter-Nominated and Nonpartisan Offices <i>Cargos Nominados por los Votantes y No Partidarios</i>	United States Representative District 23 <i>Representante de los Estados Unidos Distrito 23</i>
Candidates for these offices are the official nominee of the party displayed with their name. <i>Se muestran los nombres de los candidatos oficiales del partido para estos cargos.</i>	Candidates display a party preference (or None) for the information of voters. This is not a party endorsement or approval. <i>Se muestra la preferencia de los candidatos por un partido (o Ninguna) para informar a los votantes. Esto no es un respaldo ni aprobación de un partido.</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>
President And Vice President <i>Presidente y Vicepresidente</i>	Voter-Nominated Offices <i>Cargos Nominados por los Votantes</i>	United States Representative District 25 <i>Representante de los Estados Unidos Distrito 25</i>
Vote for One Party <i>Vote por Un Partido</i>	There are two U.S. Senate contests on this ballot. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One for the regular 6-year term ending January 3, 2031 One for the remainder of the current term ending January 3, 2025 You may vote for both contests. <i>Se incluyen dos contiendas del Senado de los EE. UU. en esta boleta electoral.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Una para el periodo ordinario de 6 años que termina el 3 de enero de 2031 Una para lo que resta del periodo actual que termina el 3 de enero de 2025 Puede votar por las dos contiendas.	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>
<input type="radio"/> CHASE OLIVER For President / por Presidente Libertarian Libertario		<input type="radio"/> DEREK MARSHALL Party Preference: Democratic Community Organizer <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata Organizador Comunitario</i>
<input type="radio"/> MIKE TER MAAT For Vice President / por Vicepresidente		<input type="radio"/> JAY OBERNOLTE Party Preference: Republican Congressman / Business Owner <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano Congresista / Proprietario de Negocio</i>
<input type="radio"/> JILL STEIN For President / por Presidente Green Verde		<input type="radio"/> RAUL RUIZ Party Preference: Democratic Emergency Physician / Congressman <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata Médico de Emergencias / Congresista</i>
<input type="radio"/> RUDOLPH WARE For Vice President / por Vicepresidente		<input type="radio"/> IAN M. WEEKS Party Preference: Republican Financial Advisor <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano Asesor Financiero</i>
<input type="radio"/> DONALD J. TRUMP For President / por Presidente Republican Republicano		United States Representative District 28 <i>Representante de los Estados Unidos Distrito 28</i>
<input type="radio"/> JD VANCE For Vice President / por Vicepresidente	United States Senator (Full Term) <i>Senador de los Estados Unidos (Termino Completo)</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>
<input type="radio"/> CLAUDIA DE LA CRUZ For President / por Presidente Peace and Freedom Paz y Libertad	<input type="radio"/> STEVE GARVEY Party Preference: Republican Professional Baseball Representative <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano Representante de Béisbol Profesional</i>	<input type="radio"/> JUDY CHU Party Preference: Democratic United States Representative <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata Representante de Estados Unidos</i>
<input type="radio"/> KARINA GARCIA For Vice President / por Vicepresidente	<input type="radio"/> ADAM B. SCHIFF Party Preference: Democratic United States Representative <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata Representante de Estados Unidos</i>	<input type="radio"/> APRIL A. VERLATO Party Preference: Republican Mayor / Business Owner <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano Alcaldeza / Propietaria de Negocio</i>
<input type="radio"/> KAMALA D. HARRIS For President / por Presidente Democratic Demócrata	United States Senator (Short Term) <i>Senador de los Estados Unidos (Termino Corto)</i>	United States Representative District 33 <i>Representante de los Estados Unidos Distrito 33</i>
<input type="radio"/> TIM WALZ For Vice President / por Vicepresidente	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>
<input type="radio"/> ROBERT F. KENNEDY JR. For President / por Presidente American Independent Americano Independiente	<input type="radio"/> STEVE GARVEY Party Preference: Republican Professional Baseball Representative <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano Representante de Béisbol Profesional</i>	<input type="radio"/> TOM HERMAN Party Preference: Republican Church Administrator <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano Administrador de Iglesia</i>
<input type="radio"/> NICOLE SHANAHAN For Vice President / por Vicepresidente	<input type="radio"/> ADAM B. SCHIFF Party Preference: Democratic United States Representative <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata Representante de Estados Unidos</i>	<input type="radio"/> PETE AGUILAR Party Preference: Democratic United States Representative <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata Representante de Estados Unidos</i>
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / En-Escrito)		

SAMPLE BALLOT

BOLETA DE MUESTRA

<p>United States Representative District 35 <i>Representante de los Estados Unidos</i> <i>Distrito 35</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>State Senator District 31 <i>Senador Estatal Distrito 31</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Member of the State Assembly District 47 <i>Miembro de la Asamblea del Estado</i> <i>Distrito 47</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> NORMA J. TORRES Party Preference: Democratic US Representative <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata</i> <i>Representante de EE. UU.</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> SABRINA CERVANTES Party Preference: Democratic California State Assemblymember <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata</i> <i>Miembro de la Asamblea Estatal de California</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> CHRISTY HOLSTEGE Party Preference: Democratic City Councilmember / Businesswoman <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata</i> <i>Concejala de la Ciudad / Empresaria</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> MIKE CARGILE Party Preference: Republican Small Businessman <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano</i> <i>Empresario de Pequeña Empresa</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> CYNTHIA NAVARRO Party Preference: Republican Educator / Parent / Businesswoman <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano</i> <i>Docente / Madre / Empresaria</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> GREG WALLIS Party Preference: Republican Member of the State Assembly <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano</i> <i>Miembro de la Asamblea Estatal</i></p>
<p>United States Representative District 40 <i>Representante de los Estados Unidos</i> <i>Distrito 40</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Member of the State Assembly District 34 <i>Miembro de la Asamblea del Estado</i> <i>Distrito 34</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Member of the State Assembly District 50 <i>Miembro de la Asamblea del Estado</i> <i>Distrito 50</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> YOUNG KIM Party Preference: Republican U.S. Representative <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano</i> <i>Representante de EE. UU.</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> RICARDO ORTEGA Party Preference: Democratic Los Angeles County Commissioner <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata</i> <i>Comisionado del Condado de Los Angeles</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> ROBERT GARCIA Party Preference: Democratic Eliwanda School District Member, Governing Board <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata</i> <i>Miembro del Distrito Escolar de Eliwanda, Junta Directiva</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> JOE KERR Party Preference: Democratic Retired Firefighter Captain <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata</i> <i>Capitán de Bomberos Jubilado</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> TOM LACKEY Party Preference: Republican Assemblyman <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano</i> <i>Legislador Estatal</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> ADAM PEREZ Party Preference: Democratic Detective / School Boardmember <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata</i> <i>Detective / Miembro de la Junta Escolar</i></p>
<p>State Senator District 19 <i>Senador Estatal Distrito 19</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Member of the State Assembly District 36 <i>Miembro de la Asamblea del Estado</i> <i>Distrito 36</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Member of the State Assembly District 53 <i>Miembro de la Asamblea del Estado</i> <i>Distrito 53</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> ROSILICIE OCHOA BOGH Party Preference: Republican State Senator / Businesswoman <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano</i> <i>Senadora Estatal / Empresaria</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> JEFF GONZALEZ Party Preference: Republican Business Owner / Parent <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano</i> <i>Propietario de Negocio / Padre</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> NICK WILSON Party Preference: Republican Law Enforcement Educator <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano</i> <i>Docente de Cumplimiento de la Ley</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> LISA MIDDLETON Party Preference: Democratic Palm Springs City Council Member <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata</i> <i>Miembro del Ayuntamiento de Palm Springs</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> JOSE "JOEY" ACUÑA JR. Party Preference: Democratic School Board Member <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata</i> <i>Miembro de la Junta Escolar</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> MICHELLE RODRIGUEZ Party Preference: Democratic Public Safety Commissioner <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata</i> <i>Comisionada de Seguridad Pública</i></p>
<p>State Senator District 23 <i>Senador Estatal Distrito 23</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Member of the State Assembly District 39 <i>Miembro de la Asamblea del Estado</i> <i>Distrito 39</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Member of the State Assembly District 58 <i>Miembro de la Asamblea del Estado</i> <i>Distrito 58</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> SUZETTE MARTINEZ VALLADARES Party Preference: Republican Small Business Owner <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano</i> <i>Propietario de Pequeña Empresa</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> JUAN CARRILLO VENTURA Party Preference: Democratic State Assemblymember <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata</i> <i>Miembro de la Asamblea Estatal</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> CLARISSA CERVANTES Party Preference: Democratic Councilmember / Businesswoman / Mother <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata</i> <i>Miembro del Concejo / Empresaria / Madre</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> KIPP MUELLER Party Preference: Democratic Workers Rights Attorney <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata</i> <i>Abogado de Derecho Laboral</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> PAUL ANDRE MARSH Party Preference: Republican Community Services Liaison <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano</i> <i>Enlace de Servicios Comunitarios</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> LETICIA CASTILLO Party Preference: Republican Licensed Psychotherapist / Businesswoman <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano</i> <i>Psicoterapeuta Certificada / Empresaria</i></p>
<p>State Senator District 25 <i>Senador Estatal Distrito 25</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Member of the State Assembly District 41 <i>Miembro de la Asamblea del Estado</i> <i>Distrito 41</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Member of the State Assembly District 59 <i>Miembro de la Asamblea del Estado</i> <i>Distrito 59</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> SASHA RENÉE PÉREZ Party Preference: Democratic Mayor of Alhambra <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata</i> <i>Alcaldesa de Alhambra</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> JOHN HARABEDIAN Party Preference: Democratic California State Boardmember <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata</i> <i>Miembro de la Junta del Estado de California</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> DAVE OBRAND Party Preference: Democratic Deputy County Counsel <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata</i> <i>Abogado Adjunto del Condado</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> ELIZABETH WONG AHLERS Party Preference: Republican Crescenta Valley Councilmember <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano</i> <i>Miembro del Concejo de Crescenta Valley</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> MICHELLE DEL ROSARIO MARTINEZ Party Preference: Republican Community Volunteer <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano</i> <i>Voluntaria de la Comunidad</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> PHILLIP CHEN Party Preference: Republican Assemblyman / Business Owner <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano</i> <i>Legislador Estatal / Propietario de Negocio</i></p>
<p>State Senator District 29 <i>Senador Estatal Distrito 29</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Member of the State Assembly District 45 <i>Miembro de la Asamblea del Estado</i> <i>Distrito 45</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> JAMES C. RAMOS Party Preference: Democratic Assemblymember / Business Owner <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata</i> <i>Miembro de la Asamblea / Propietario de Negocio</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> CARLOS A. GARCIA Party Preference: Republican Business Owner <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano</i> <i>Propietario de Negocio</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> SCOTT P. OLSON Party Preference: Republican <i>Preferencia de Partido: Republicano</i></p>	
<p><input type="radio"/> ELOISE GOMEZ REYES Party Preference: Democratic Assemblymember / Attorney / Businesswoman <i>Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata</i> <i>Miembro de la Asamblea / Abogada / Empresaria</i></p>		

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Nonpartisan Offices <i>Cargos No Partidarios</i>	Member, Governing Board Area 3, San Bernardino Community College District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 3, Distrito de Colegios Comunitarios de San Bernardino</i>	Member, Governing Board Area 1, Apple Valley Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 1, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Apple Valley</i>
School Offices <i>Cargos Escolares</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>
Member, Board of Education Area C, San Bernardino County <i>Miembro, Junta de Educación Área C, Condado de San Bernardino</i>	<input type="radio"/> JOHN LONGVILLE San Bernardino Community College District Member, Governing Board Area 3 <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 3, Distrito de Colegios Comunitarios de San Bernardino</i>	<input type="radio"/> ANITA TUCKER Teacher <i>Maestra</i>
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> ANTHONY JONES Business Owner <i>Propietario de Empresa</i>	<input type="radio"/> GARY ARCE Incumbent <i>Titular</i>
<input type="radio"/> LAURA MANCHA County of San Bernardino Member, Board of Education Area C <i>Miembro, Junta de Educación Área C, Condado de San Bernardino</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
<input type="radio"/> MARIA ISABEL ARIAS Landscape Associate <i>Asociada Paisajista</i>	Member, Governing Board Area 5, San Bernardino Community College District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 5, Distrito de Colegios Comunitarios de San Bernardino</i>	Member, Governing Board Area 3, Apple Valley Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 3, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Apple Valley</i>
<input type="radio"/> JASON O'BRIEN Detective / Business Owner <i>Detective / Propietario de Empresa</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> DAMON L. ALEXANDER Council Member <i>Miembro del Concejo</i>	<input type="radio"/> RENEE LONGSHORE Retired Teacher <i>Maestra Jubilada</i>
Member, Board of Education Area E, San Bernardino County <i>Miembro, Junta de Educación Área E, Condado de San Bernardino</i>	<input type="radio"/> JAMES ALBERT Office Specialist <i>Especialista de Oficina</i>	<input type="radio"/> GARY CHILDRESS
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> CARLOS AGUILERA Professor / Policy Director <i>Profesor / Director de Políticas</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
<input type="radio"/> ANDREA DE LEON County of San Bernardino Member, Board of Education Area E <i>Miembro, Junta de Educación Área E, Condado de San Bernardino</i>	<input type="radio"/> TAWNIA RHOADES-HENSLEY Retired Educator <i>Educadora Jubilada</i>	Member, Governing Board, Baker Valley Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Baker Valley</i>
<input type="radio"/> NEAL ALFRED WANER Certified Financial Planner <i>Consultor Financiero Matriculado</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	Vote for no more than Two <i>Vote por no más de Dos</i>
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	Member, Governing Board Area 3, Victor Valley Community College District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 3, Distrito de Colegios Comunitarios de Victor Valley</i>	<input type="radio"/> KELLY ANNE FISHER Incumbent <i>Titular</i>
Member, Governing Board Area B, Barstow Community College District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área B, Distrito de Colegios Comunitarios de Barstow</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> RENEE JACOBSON
<input type="radio"/> SONIA COMPTON-REAY Educator / Business Owner <i>Educadora / Propietaria de Empresa</i>	<input type="radio"/> RONY E. LARA Cost Control Specialist <i>Especialista en Control de Costos</i>	<input type="radio"/> HELEN SUSIE AEPPLI
<input type="radio"/> FERNANDO R. BACA Incumbent <i>Titular</i>	<input type="radio"/> CHAPPELLE M. GRIFFIN Retired HS Principal <i>Director Jubilado de Escuela Preparatoria</i>	<input type="radio"/> ANNIE PRICE Incumbent <i>Titular</i>
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> KEN BUCNIS Project Manager <i>Gerente de Proyectos</i>	<input type="radio"/> GREG BOWMAN II
Member, Governing Board Area 3, Copper Mountain Community College District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 3, Distrito de Colegios Comunitarios de Copper Mountain</i>	<input type="radio"/> TERRANCE STONE Chief Executive Officer <i>Director Ejecutivo</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	Member, Governing Board Area 3, Barstow Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 3, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Barstow</i>
<input type="radio"/> TERENCE C. LATIMER Small Business Owner <i>Propietario de Empresa Pequeña</i>	Member, Governing Board Area 5, Victor Valley Community College District (Short Term) <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 5, Distrito de Colegios Comunitarios de Victor Valley (Termino Corto)</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>
<input type="radio"/> MARY E. LOMBARDO Copper Mountain Community College District Member, Governing Board <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante, Distrito de Colegios Comunitarios de Copper Mountain</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> ANTHONY YSLAS Retired Lead Custodian <i>Jefe de Custodia Jubilado</i>
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> STEPHEN TYRRELL Engineering Manager <i>Gerente de Ingeniería</i>	<input type="radio"/> KRIS E. OKAMURO Business Owner <i>Propietario de Empresa</i>
	<input type="radio"/> LAURA KATHRYN DVARECKAS Appointed Incumbent <i>Titular Designada</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
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<p>Nonpartisan Offices <i>Cargos No Partidarios</i></p>	<p>Member, Governing Board Area 2, Colton Joint Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 2, Distrito Escolar Unificado Conjunto de Colton</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Member, Governing Board Area 1, Morongo Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 1, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Morongo</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>
<p>School Offices <i>Cargos Escolares</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> FRANK A. IBARRA Incumbent <i>Titular</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> DORA MARIE PARHAM School Bus Driver <i>Conductora de Autobus Escolar</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> ROBERT LEE HAMILTON Incumbent <i>Titular</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> KARALEE HARGROVE Parent <i>Madre de Familia</i></p>
<p>Member, Governing Board Area 1, Chino Valley Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 1, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Chino Valley</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> LISA VILLA Nursing Assistant <i>Asistente de Enfermería</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> JOHNNIE RAY WARD JR Nursing Supervisor <i>Supervisor de Medicina</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>
<p><input type="radio"/> JOHN ANDREW CERVANTES Retired Police Officer <i>Oficial de Policía Jubilado</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> ERIC SHAMP Youth Nonprofit Executive <i>Ejecutivo de Organización Juvenil sin Fines de Lucro</i></p>	<p>Member, Governing Board Area 3, Colton Joint Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 3, Distrito Escolar Unificado Conjunto de Colton</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Member, Governing Board Area 3, Redlands Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 3, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Redlands</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p>
<p>Member, Governing Board Area 2, Chino Valley Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 2, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Chino Valley</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> BERTHA FLORES Incumbent <i>Titular</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> ALISIA JIMENEZ VALENZUELA Daycare Provider <i>Proveedora de Guardería</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> LAWRENCE PAUL HEBRON Business Owner <i>Propietario de Empresa</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> MELISSA AYALA-QUINTERO Incumbent <i>Titular</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>
<p><input type="radio"/> BEAU MCFARLAND Teacher <i>Maestro</i></p>	<p>Member, Governing Board Area 4, Fontana Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 4, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Fontana</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Member, Governing Board Area 4, Redlands Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 4, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Redlands</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> PAUL MICHAEL GRIFFIN Educator <i>Educador</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> DANIELLE HOLLEY Teacher / Executive Director <i>Maestra / Directora Ejecutiva</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> JOSHUA MICHAEL CHRIST Teacher <i>Maestro</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> ALEX VARA Incumbent <i>Titular</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> JEANNETTE WILSON Clinical Social Worker <i>Trabajadora Social Clínica</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>
<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p>
<p>Member, Governing Board Area 5, Chino Valley Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 5, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Chino Valley</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Member, Governing Board Area 1, Hesperia Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 1, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Hesperia</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Member, Governing Board Area 5, Redlands Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 5, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Redlands</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> JAMES NA Chino Valley Unified School District Member, Governing Board <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Chino Valley</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> CHRIS J. TRUDEL Retired Educator <i>Educador Jubilado</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> VALERIE TABER Licensed Counselor / Parent <i>Consejera Certificada / Madre de Familia</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> BOBBY OMARI Website Developer / Businessman <i>Desarrollador de Sitios Web / Empresario</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> MARIA T. GOMEZ Hesperia Unified School District Member, Governing Board Area 1 <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 1, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Hesperia</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> CANDY OLSON Registered Nurse / Parent <i>Enfermera Titulada / Madre de Familia</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> CAROLYN WILLIAMS Educator <i>Educadora</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>
<p>Member, Governing Board Area 1, Colton Joint Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 1, Distrito Escolar Unificado Conjunto de Colton</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Member, Governing Board Area 4, Hesperia Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 4, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Hesperia</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	
<p><input type="radio"/> PATT HARO Colton Joint Unified School District Member, Governing Board Area 1 <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 1, Distrito Escolar Unificado Conjunto de Colton</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> MANNY LIN Special Needs Educator <i>Educador de Necesidades Especiales</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> MARTIAL HAPROV Public Information Officer <i>Oficial de Información Pública</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	
<p><input type="radio"/> ANGEL MARTIN Welder Fabricator <i>Fabricante Soldador</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p>	
<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p>	

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<p>School Offices <i>Cargos Escolares</i></p>	<p>Vote for no more than Four <i>Vote por no más de Cuatro</i></p>	<p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>
<p>Member, Governing Board Area 1, Rialto Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 1, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Rialto</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> FELICIA C. ALEXANDER <i>Appointed Incumbent</i> <i>Titular Designada</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> JACK YOUNG <i>Upland Unified School District Member, Governing Board</i> <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Upland</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> MIRNA RUIZ <i>Legal Secretary</i> <i>Secretaria Legal</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> MIKKI CICHOCKI <i>Incumbent</i> <i>Titular</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> ROBERT H. BENNETT <i>Senior Adjunct Professor</i> <i>Profesor Adjunto Principal</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> NANCY G. O'KELLEY <i>Rialto Unified School District, Governing Board Member</i> <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Rialto</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> MAYRA CEBALLOS <i>School Psychologist</i> <i>Psicóloga Escolar</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>
<p><input type="radio"/> DAKIRA RICHARDSON WILLIAMS <i>Business Owner / Parent</i> <i>Propietaria de Empresa / Madre de Familia</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> LATA M. WILSON <i>Business Owner</i> <i>Propietario de Empresa</i></p>	<p>Member, Governing Board Area 1, Victor Valley Union High School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 1, Distrito Escolar de Preparatorias de Victor Valley Union</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> SCOTT SPARKS <i>School Principal</i> <i>Director de Escuela</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> SCOTT WYATT <i>San Bernardino City Unified School District Member, Governing Board</i> <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante, Distrito Escolar Unificado de San Bernardino City</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> KEN LARSON <i>Parent / School Administrator</i> <i>Padre de Familia / Administrador Escolar</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> MICHAEL L. SANTOS <i>Parent</i> <i>Padre de Familia</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> KYLE HOVANNESEAN <i>University Student</i> <i>Estudiante Universitario</i></p>
<p>Member, Governing Board Area 2, Rialto Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 2, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Rialto</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> BARBARA JAMES DEW <i>Retired Teacher</i> <i>Maestra Jubilada</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> STEPHANIE E. LEWIS <i>Rialto Unified School District Member, Governing Board</i> <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Rialto</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> JACKIE ROCHA <i>Retired District Secretary</i> <i>Secretario Jubilado del Distrito</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> JAMES M. MARTINEZ <i>Human Services Officer</i> <i>Funcionario de Servicios Humanos</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>
<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p>Member, Governing Board Area 3, Silver Valley Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 3, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Silver Valley</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> CHRISTINE TURNER <i>Incumbent</i> <i>Titular</i></p>
<p>Member, Governing Board Area 1, Rim of The World Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 1, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Rim of The World</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> RICKY WOOD</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> MICHAEL M. KRAUSE <i>Superintendent</i> <i>Superintendente</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> DEVINA L. HORVATH <i>Project Manager</i> <i>Gerente de Proyectos</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> MARK NOLAN STAGGS <i>Silver Valley Unified School District Member, Governing Board Area 3</i> <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 3, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Silver Valley</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>
<p><input type="radio"/> WILLIAM P. MELLINGER <i>Incumbent</i> <i>Titular</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> JESSICA D. MARTINEZ <i>Incumbent</i> <i>Titular</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> DAVID J. ROBERTS <i>Retired Principal</i> <i>Director Jubilado</i></p>
<p>Member, Governing Board Area 5, Rim of The World Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 5, Distrito Escolar Unificado de Rim of The World</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Member, Governing Board Area 2, Snowline Joint Unified School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 2, Distrito Escolar Unificado Conjunto de Snowline</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>
<p><input type="radio"/> JAMES G. WHITE <i>Retired</i> <i>Jubilado</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> COREY LAFEVER <i>Sheriff Sergeant / Father</i> <i>Sargento Alguacil / Padre</i></p>	
<p><input type="radio"/> JORDAN V. ZARATE <i>Incumbent</i> <i>Titular</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> JENNIFER RADER <i>Teacher</i> <i>Maestra</i></p>	
<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	

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<p>Nonpartisan Offices <i>Cargos No Partidarios</i></p>	<p>Member, Governing Board, Mt Baldy Joint School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante, Distrito Escolar Conjunto de Mt Baldy</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Member, Town Council District 2 <i>Miembro, Concejo del Pueblo Distrito 2</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>
<p>School Offices <i>Cargos Escolares</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> JESSICA PANDZIC ELLINGSON <i>Appointed Mt Baldy Joint School District Member, Governing Board</i> <i>Miembro Designada, Junta Gobernante, Distrito Escolar Conjunto de Mt Baldy</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> ART BISHOP <i>Retired Firefighter / Councilman</i> <i>Bombero / Concejal Jubilado</i></p>
<p>Member, Governing Board Area 2, Cucamonga School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 2, Distrito Escolar de Cucamonga</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> CHRISTY CATALANO</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> LA KERIE WILLIAMS <i>Childcare Provider</i> <i>Proveedora de Cuidado Infantil</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> ERIC DEAN MONTAGUE <i>Cucamonga School District, Member, Governing Board Area 2</i> <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 2, Distrito Escolar Cucamonga</i></p>	<p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>
<p><input type="radio"/> SHARON LYN STEIN <i>Professor</i> <i>Profesora</i></p>	<p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p>City of Barstow Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Barstow</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p>San Bernardino County Offices <i>Cargos del Condado de San Bernardino</i></p>	<p>Mayor <i>Alcalde</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>
<p>Member, Governing Board Area 2, Etiwanda School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 2, Distrito Escolar de Etiwanda</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Assessor / Recorder (Short Term) <i>Tasador / Funcionario del Registro Público (Termino Corto)</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> CARMEN M. HERNANDEZ <i>Council Member</i> <i>Miembro del Concejo</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> APRIL MCALLASTER <i>Appointed Board Member, Etiwanda School District Area 2</i> <i>Miembro Designado de la Junta, Distrito Escolar de Etiwanda Área 2</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> DONALD E. WILLIAMSON <i>Property Taxpayer Consultant</i> <i>Asesor de Contribuyentes con Propiedad</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> VIVIAN D.I. JORDAN <i>Educator</i> <i>Educadora</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> ANTHONY MOORE <i>Father</i> <i>Padre</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> DARA SMITH <i>Deputy Assessor, County of Los Angeles</i> <i>Tasadora Adjunta, Condado de Los Angeles</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> BEN ROSENBERG <i>Business Owner</i> <i>Proprietario de Empresa</i></p>
<p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> BLANCA AZUCENA GOMEZ <i>Councilmember, City of Victorville</i> <i>Miembro del Concejo, Ciudad de Victorville</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> TIM SILVA <i>Mortgage Banker</i> <i>Banquero de Hipotecas</i></p>
<p>Member, Governing Board Area 5, Etiwanda School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 5, Distrito Escolar de Etiwanda</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> JOSIE GONZALES <i>Veterans, Taxpayer Advocate</i> <i>Defensora de Veteranos y Contribuyentes</i></p>	<p>Member, City Council District 3 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 3</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>
<p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> BARBARA M. ROSE <i>City of Barstow, City Council Member, District 3</i> <i>Ciudad de Barstow, Miembro del Concejo Municipal, Distrito 3</i></p>
<p>Member, Governing Board Area 5, Etiwanda School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante Área 5, Distrito Escolar de Etiwanda</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>City of Adelanto Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Adelanto</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> LEONARD E. WILLIAMS <i>Retired</i> <i>Jubilado</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> CATHLINE FORT <i>Student Success Advisor</i> <i>Asesora de Éxito Estudiantil</i></p>	<p>Member, City Council <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal</i></p> <p>Vote for no more than Two <i>Vote por no más de Dos</i></p>	<p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>
<p><input type="radio"/> ANWAR ABDUL-RAHMAN <i>Educator / Business Owner</i> <i>Educador / Propietario de Empresa</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> STEVEVONNA EVANS <i>Nonprofit Business Owner</i> <i>Propietaria de Organización sin Fines de Lucro</i></p>	<p>Member, City Council District 4 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 4</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> KASSANDRA DOROTHY WILSON <i>Educator</i> <i>Educadora</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> JOY JEANNETTE <i>Incumbent</i> <i>Titular</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> LORETTA "SARAH" JOHNSTON <i>Banker</i> <i>Banquera</i></p>
<p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> EDWARD C. REYES <i>Author</i> <i>Autor</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> RODNEY BRAND JR <i>Retired</i> <i>Jubilado</i></p>
<p>Member, Governing Board, Helendale School District <i>Miembro, Junta Gobernante, Distrito Escolar de Helendale</i></p> <p>Vote for no more than Two <i>Vote por no más de Dos</i></p>	<p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> VIRGINIA BROWN <i>Retired</i> <i>Jubilada</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> HEATHER ALLGOOD <i>Incumbent</i> <i>Titular</i></p>	<p>Town of Apple Valley Offices <i>Cargos del Pueblo de Apple Valley</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> JOHN "TEX" WILLIAMS <i>Equipment Cleaner</i> <i>Limpador de Equipo</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> JEFFREY DOUGLAS KAYE <i>Incumbent</i> <i>Titular</i></p>	<p>Mayor <i>Alcalde</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>City Clerk <i>Secretario Municipal</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> JEREMY RONALD SILVER <i>Small Business Owner</i> <i>Propietario de Empresa Pequeña</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> SCOTT NASSIF <i>Business Owner / Mayor</i> <i>Propietario de Empresa / Alcalde</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> ANDREA "ANDI" FLORES <i>City Clerk</i> <i>Secretaria Municipal</i></p>
<p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>
<p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p>Member, Town Council District 1 <i>Miembro, Concejo del Pueblo Distrito 1</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>City Treasurer <i>Tesorero Municipal</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>
<p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> LARRY CUSACK <i>Councilman / Business Owner</i> <i>Concejal / Propietario de Empresa</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> MICHAEL LEWIS <i>Business Owner</i> <i>Propietario de Empresa</i></p>
<p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>

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Nonpartisan Offices <i>Cargos No Partidarios</i>	Member, City Council District 5 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 5</i>	Member, City Council District 3 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 3</i>
City of Big Bear Lake Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Big Bear Lake</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>
Member, City Council District 1 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 1</i>	<input type="radio"/> CYNTHIA MORAN Council Member <i>Miembro del Concejo</i>	<input type="radio"/> JOE ARMENDAREZ Fontana Business Owner <i>Propietario de Empresa en Fontana</i>
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> JESUS "JESSE" SANDOVAL Fontana City Councilmember <i>Miembro del Concejo Municipal de Fontana</i>
<input type="radio"/> KENDI SEGOVIA City of Big Bear Lake Council Member <i>Miembro del Concejo de la Ciudad de Big Bear Lake</i>	City of Colton Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Colton</i>	<input type="radio"/> GABRIEL SANCHEZ Small Business Owner <i>Propietario de Empresa Pequeña</i>
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	Member, City Council District 1 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 1</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
Member, City Council District 5 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 5</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	City of Grand Terrace Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Grand Terrace</i>
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> DAVID J. TORO Incumbent <i>Titular</i>	Member, City Council <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal</i>
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	Vote for no more than Three <i>Vote por no más de Tres</i>
<input type="radio"/> CHUCK HICKS Big Bear Airport District, Member, Board of Directors <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva, Distrito del Aeropuerto de Big Bear</i>	Member, City Council District 2 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 2</i>	<input type="radio"/> JEFF ALLEN Council Member City of Grand Terrace <i>Miembro del Concejo de la Ciudad de Grand Terrace</i>
<input type="radio"/> JEFF HOLOUBEK Businessman <i>Empresario</i>	<input type="radio"/> KELLY J. CHASTAIN Councilmember, District 2 <i>Miembro del Concejo, Distrito 2</i>	<input type="radio"/> MATT BROWN Small Business Owner <i>Propietario de Empresa Pequeña</i>
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> KYLE J. KOPERSKI Educator <i>Educador</i>	<input type="radio"/> SHAD K. BOAL Small Business Owner <i>Propietario de Empresa Pequeña</i>
City of Chino Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Chino</i>	City Clerk <i>Secretario Municipal</i>	<input type="radio"/> TERRY L. KEISER Retired Physical Therapist <i>Fisioterapeuta Jubilado</i>
Mayor <i>Alcalde</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> MICHELLE SABINO Appointed Member of the City Council <i>Miembro Designada del Concejo Municipal</i>
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> ADRIANNA ESCARCEGA	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
<input type="radio"/> PAUL A. RODRIGUEZ Professor <i>Profesor</i>	<input type="radio"/> JOHN D. MITCHELL	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
<input type="radio"/> EUNICE M. ULLOA Mayor of Chino <i>Alcaldessa de Chino</i>	<input type="radio"/> ISAAC T. SUCHIL Retired Peace Officer <i>Oficial del Orden Público Jubilado</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
Member, City Council District 1 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 1</i>	City Treasurer <i>Tesorero Municipal</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
<input type="radio"/> CHRISTOPHER FLORES Chino City Councilmember <i>Miembro del Concejo Municipal de Chino</i>	<input type="radio"/> AURELIO DE LA TORRE Incumbent <i>Titular</i>	City of Hesperia Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Hesperia</i>
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> MIKE RAZO Budget Officer <i>Funcionario de Presupuestos</i>	Member, City Council District 1 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 1</i>
Member, City Council District 4 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 4</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	City of Fontana Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Fontana</i>	<input type="radio"/> CHRIS OCHOA Healthcare Worker <i>Trabajador de la Salud</i>
<input type="radio"/> KAREN C. COMSTOCK Chino City Council Member District 4 <i>Miembro del Concejo Municipal de Chino Distrito 4</i>	Member, City Council District 2 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 2</i>	<input type="radio"/> REBEKAH SWANSON Retired Teacher / Councilmember <i>Maestra / Miembro del Concejo Jubilada</i>
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
City of Chino Hills Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Chino Hills</i>	<input type="radio"/> PETER A. GARCIA Council Member <i>Miembro del Concejo</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
Member, City Council District 3 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 3</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>		
<input type="radio"/> JAMES W. GALLAGHER Retired Corporate Trainer <i>Instructor de Empresas Jubilado</i>		
<input type="radio"/> ART BENNETT Council Member <i>Miembro del Concejo</i>		
<input type="radio"/> TYLER FRANCIS SHIELDS 3rd Shift Custodial <i>Custodio de 3º Turno</i>		
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)		

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Nonpartisan Offices <i>Cargos No Partidarios</i>	Member, City Council <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal</i>	City Treasurer <i>Tesorero Municipal</i>
City of Hesperia Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Hesperia</i>	Vote for no more than Three <i>Vote por no más de Tres</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>
Member, City Council District 5 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 5</i>	<input type="radio"/> ZACHERY LONGACRE	<input type="radio"/> JAMES R. MILHISER City Treasurer <i>Tesorero Municipal</i>
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> JAMES M. JONES Pastor <i>Pastor</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
<input type="radio"/> BILL JENSEN Broker / Businessman <i>Corredor / Empresario</i>	<input type="radio"/> ELLEN ANN CAMPBELL Incumbent <i>Titular</i>	City of Rancho Cucamonga Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Rancho Cucamonga</i>
<input type="radio"/> JAMES W. ROBERTS III Hesperia Recreation and Park District Director <i>Director del Distrito de Parques y Recreación de Hesperia</i>	<input type="radio"/> TONA BELT Incumbent <i>Titular</i>	Member, City Council District 1 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 1</i>
<input type="radio"/> JOSH PULLEN First Responder <i>Socorrista</i>	<input type="radio"/> SANDRA QUEEN NOBLE	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>
<input type="radio"/> JAMES M. BLOCKER Site Manager <i>Gerente de Sitio</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> ERICK JIMENEZ Rancho Cucamonga Business Owner <i>Propietario de Empresa en Rancho Cucamonga</i>
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> LUIS CETINA Water Policy Advisor <i>Asesor en Política de Aguas</i>
City of Montclair Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Montclair</i>	City of Ontario Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Ontario</i>	<input type="radio"/> ASHLEY STICKLER Councilmember / Business Owner <i>Miembro del Concejo / Propietaria de Empresa</i>
Member, City Council <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal</i>	Member, City Council District 1 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 1</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
Vote for no more than Two <i>Vote por no más de Dos</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	Member, City Council District 4 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 4</i>
<input type="radio"/> BENJAMIN "BEN" LOPEZ Montclair City Councilman <i>Concejal de la Ciudad de Montclair</i>	<input type="radio"/> DEBRA PORADA Councilmember / Registered Nurse <i>Miembro del Concejo / Enfermera Titulada</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>
<input type="radio"/> XAVIER MENDEZ Construction Inspector <i>Inspector de Construcción</i>	<input type="radio"/> RAQUEL MORGAN VALENCIA Human Resources Technician <i>Técnica de Recursos Humanos</i>	<input type="radio"/> STEVEN A. LACEY Retired Instrument Technician <i>Técnico en Instrumentos Jubilado</i>
<input type="radio"/> TENICE JOHNSON Councilmember, City of Montclair <i>Miembro del Concejo, Ciudad de Montclair</i>	<input type="radio"/> JOSEPH ANGEL SANDOVAL Counselor / Professor <i>Consejero / Profesor</i>	<input type="radio"/> LYNNE B. KENNEDY Rancho Cucamonga Councilmember <i>Miembro del Concejo de Rancho Cucamonga</i>
<input type="radio"/> CAROLYN RAFT Businesswoman <i>Empresaria</i>	<input type="radio"/> LUIS SUAREZ Business Owner <i>Propietario de Empresa</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	City Clerk <i>Secretario Municipal</i>
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	Member, City Council District 4 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 4</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>
City of Needles Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Needles</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> KIM SEVY Special District Clerk <i>Secretaria de Distrito Especial</i>
Mayor <i>Alcalde</i>	<input type="radio"/> CELINA LOPEZ Housing Counselor / Parent <i>Consejera de Vivienda / Madre de Familia</i>	City Treasurer <i>Tesorero Municipal</i>
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> DAISY MACIAS Community Relations Manager <i>Gerente de Relaciones Comunitarias</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>
<input type="radio"/> JANET JERNIGAN Incumbent <i>Titular</i>	<input type="radio"/> ANDREA GALVÁN Health Research Manager <i>Gerente de Investigación de Salud</i>	<input type="radio"/> JIM HARRINGTON Appointed City Treasurer <i>Tesorero Municipal Designado</i>
<input type="radio"/> WAYNE COLBURN	<input type="radio"/> NORBERTO CORONA Deputy Probation Officer <i>Funcionario de Libertad Condicional Adjunto</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> JOSE M. NIKYAR	
	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	
	City Clerk <i>Secretario Municipal</i>	
	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	
	<input type="radio"/> SHEILA MAUTZ City Clerk <i>Secretaria Municipal</i>	
	<input type="radio"/> XOCHITL R. BACA Public Health Educator <i>Educadora de Salud Pública</i>	
	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	

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City of Redlands Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Redlands</i>	Vote for no more than Two <i>Vote por no más de Dos</i>	Member, City Council Ward 5 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito Electoral 5</i>
Member, City Council District 2 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 2</i>	<input type="radio"/> VICKIE DAVIS Clinical Supervisor <i>Supervisora Clínica</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> KELVIN D. MOORE West Valley Water District Board of Directors, Member <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva, Distrito de Aguas de West Valley</i>	<input type="radio"/> KIM KNAUS Businesswoman / Non-Profit Director <i>Empresaria / Directora de Organización sin Fines de Lucro</i>
<input type="radio"/> EDDIE TEJEDA Council Member / Teacher <i>Miembro del Concejo / Maestro</i>	<input type="radio"/> ANA GONZALEZ Nonprofit Executive Director <i>Directora Ejecutiva de Organización sin Fines de Lucro</i>	<input type="radio"/> HENRY NICKEL Business Owner <i>Propietario de Empresa</i>
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> KARLA PEREZ Community Advocate <i>Defensora Comunitaria</i>	<input type="radio"/>
(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/>	(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
Member, City Council District 4 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 4</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	Member, City Council Ward 7 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito Electoral 7</i>
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> JENNA GUZMAN-LOWERY Councilmember / Therapist <i>Miembro del Concejo / Terapeuta</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>
<input type="radio"/> JESUS CISNEROS	<input type="radio"/> ANDY CARRIZALES Councilman / Business Owner <i>Concejal / Propietario de Empresa</i>	<input type="radio"/> JAMES F. "JIM" PENMAN Attorney at Law <i>Abogado en Derecho</i>
<input type="radio"/> MARC R. SHAW Law Enforcement Chief <i>Jefe de Cumplimiento de la Ley</i>	<input type="radio"/> PAOLA VARGAS Business Owner <i>Propietaria de Empresa</i>	<input type="radio"/> TREASURE ORTIZ College Professor / Businesswoman <i>Profesora de Colegio / Empresaria</i>
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/>	(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
City Clerk <i>Secretario Municipal</i>	<input type="radio"/>	City of Twentynine Palms Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Twentynine Palms</i>
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	Member, City Council District 1 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 1</i>
<input type="radio"/> JEANNE DONALDSON Redlands City Clerk <i>Secretaria Municipal de Redlands</i>	<input type="radio"/>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>
<input type="radio"/>	(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> STEVEN BILDERAIN Incumbent <i>Titular</i>
(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	City Clerk <i>Secretario Municipal</i>	<input type="radio"/> CARRIE WILLIAMS
City Treasurer <i>Tesorero Municipal</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/>
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> BARBARA A. MCGEE City Clerk <i>Secretaria Municipal</i>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/> PHILLIP DOOLITTLE Appointed City Treasurer <i>Tesorero Municipal Designado</i>	<input type="radio"/> VIRGINIA ALEJANDRA PALAFOX ADA Compliance Provider <i>Proveedora de Cumplimiento de la ADA</i>	(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
<input type="radio"/> JOHN PAUL MAIER City Clerk <i>Secretario Municipal</i>	<input type="radio"/>	Member, City Council District 2 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 2</i>
<input type="radio"/>	(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>
(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	City Treasurer <i>Tesorero Municipal</i>	<input type="radio"/> APRIL RAMIREZ Nurse / Mother <i>Enfermera / Madre</i>
City of Rialto Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Rialto</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> PAUL RAZO Business Owner <i>Propietario de Empresa</i>
Mayor <i>Alcalde</i>	<input type="radio"/> CARLA DENEZ TOWNS Registered Tax Preparer <i>Preparadora de Declaración de Impuestos Registrada</i>	<input type="radio"/> JIM KRUSHAT Government Contractor <i>Contratista del Gobierno</i>
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> EDWARD J. CARRILLO City Treasurer <i>Tesorero Municipal</i>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/> RAFAEL TRUJILLO City Councilmember / Parent <i>Miembro del Concejo Municipal / Padre de Familia</i>	<input type="radio"/>	(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
<input type="radio"/> DEBORAH ROBERTSON Mayor <i>Alcaldeza</i>	<input type="radio"/>	City of Upland Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Upland</i>
<input type="radio"/> JOE BACA Rialto Councilman <i>Concejal de Rialto</i>	(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	Mayor <i>Alcalde</i>
<input type="radio"/> CHÉ ROSE WRIGHT Small Business Owner <i>Propietaria de Empresa Pequeña</i>		Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>
<input type="radio"/>		<input type="radio"/> BILL VELTO Mayor City of Upland <i>Alcalde de la Ciudad de Upland</i>
(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)		<input type="radio"/>
		(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
		Member, City Council District 1 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 1</i>
		Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>
		<input type="radio"/> SHANNAN MAUST Incumbent <i>Titular</i>
		<input type="radio"/>
		(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)

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Nonpartisan Offices <i>Cargos No Partidarios</i>	Member, City Council District 3 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 3</i>	District Offices <i>Cargos del Distrito</i>
City of Upland Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Upland</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	Member, Board of Directors, Daggett Community Services District <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva, Distrito de Servicios Comunitarios de Daggett</i>
City Treasurer <i>Tesorero Municipal</i>	<input type="radio"/> GEORGEANN "GIGI" HANNA Nonprofit Executive Director <i>Directora Ejecutiva de Organización sin Fines de Lucro</i>	Vote for no more than Three <i>Vote por no más de Tres</i>
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> LYLE VICK Business Owner <i>Propietario de Empresa</i>	<input type="radio"/> TRUDIE ELLEN TUCKER Daggett Community Services District Member, Board of Directors <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva, Distrito de Servicios Comunitarios de Daggett</i>
<input type="radio"/> GREG R. BRADLEY Incumbent <i>Titular</i>	<input type="radio"/> JUDY A. WOOLSEY Nonprofit CEO <i>Directora Ejecutiva de Organización sin Fines de Lucro</i>	<input type="radio"/> MARITZA BELEN DIAZ
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> LAWRENCE G. VINTUS
(Write-In / En-Escrito)	(Write-In / En-Escrito)	<input type="radio"/> MARK NOLAN STAGGS Daggett Community Services District Member, Board of Directors <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva, Distrito de Servicios Comunitarios de Daggett</i>
City of Victorville Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Victorville</i>	Member, City Council District 4 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 4</i>	<input type="radio"/>
Member, City Council District 1 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 1</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	(Write-In / En-Escrito)
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> KRISTINE K. MOHLER Businesswoman <i>Empresaria</i>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/> LEYDA "LADY" FERNANDEZ Real Estate Salesperson <i>Vendedora de Bienes Raíces</i>	<input type="radio"/> GORDON RENSHAW Painting Contractor <i>Contratista de Pintura</i>	(Write-In / En-Escrito)
<input type="radio"/> ROBERT ANDREW LUCERO Tattoo Artist <i>Tatuador</i>	<input type="radio"/> JUSTIN BEAVER Mayor / Police Detective <i>Alcalde / Detective Policial</i>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/> TIFFANY GAUDIN Community Outreach Coordinator <i>Coordinadora de Alcance Comunitario</i>	<input type="radio"/>	(Write-In / En-Escrito)
<input type="radio"/> VALENTIN GODINA Community Volunteer <i>Voluntario de la Comunidad</i>	(Write-In / En-Escrito)	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	(Write-In / En-Escrito)	(Write-In / En-Escrito)
Member, City Council District 3 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 3</i>	Member, City Council District 5 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 5</i>	Member, Board of Directors, Helendale Community Services District <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva, Distrito de Servicios Comunitarios de Helendale</i>
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	Vote for no more than Two <i>Vote por no más de Dos</i>
<input type="radio"/> BLANCA AZUCENA GOMEZ Victorville Councilwoman <i>Concejala de Victorville</i>	<input type="radio"/> JON THORP Incumbent <i>Titular</i>	<input type="radio"/> ARTIE JANE DEVRIES Real Estate Agent <i>Agente de Bienes Raíces</i>
<input type="radio"/> ELIZABETH "LIZ" BECERRA City of Victorville Council Member <i>Miembro del Concejo de la Ciudad de Victorville</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> DAVID HART Retired <i>Jubilado</i>
<input type="radio"/>	(Write-In / En-Escrito)	<input type="radio"/> MELISSA "MISSY" MERRITT Facility Administrator <i>Administradora de Instalaciones</i>
(Write-In / En-Escrito)	Town of Yucca Valley Offices <i>Cargos del Pueblo de Yucca Valley</i>	<input type="radio"/> BILLY BURK ROSENBERG Business Owner <i>Propietario de Empresa</i>
Member, City Council District 5 <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 5</i>	Member, Town Council District 2 <i>Miembro, Concejo del Pueblo Distrito 2</i>	<input type="radio"/> HENRY H. SPILLER Incumbent <i>Titular</i>
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/> LESLIE IRVING Council Member, City of Victorville <i>Miembro del Concejo, Ciudad de Victorville</i>	<input type="radio"/> JEFF DROZD Incumbent <i>Titular</i>	(Write-In / En-Escrito)
<input type="radio"/> ERIC NEGRETE Program Manager <i>Gerente de Programas</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	(Write-In / En-Escrito)	(Write-In / En-Escrito)
(Write-In / En-Escrito)	Member, Town Council District 4 <i>Miembro, Concejo del Pueblo Distrito 4</i>	<input type="radio"/>
City of Yucaipa Offices <i>Cargos de la Ciudad de Yucaipa</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/>
Member, City Council District 1 Recall <i>Miembro, Concejo Municipal Distrito 1 Remoción</i>	<input type="radio"/> ROBERT E. LOMBARDO Incumbent <i>Titular</i>	(Write-In / En-Escrito)
Shall Matt Garner be recalled (removed) from the office of Councilmember of District 1 of the City of Yucaipa? <i>¿Deberá Matt Garner ser revocado (removido) del cargo de Miembro del Concejo del Distrito 1 de la Ciudad de Yucaipa?</i>	<input type="radio"/>	
<input type="radio"/> YES / Sí	(Write-In / En-Escrito)	
<input type="radio"/> NO / No		

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Nonpartisan Offices <i>Cargos No Partidarios</i>	Member, Board of Directors, Phelan Pinon Hills Community Services District <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva, Distrito de Servicios Comunitarios de Phelan Pinon Hills</i>	Member, Board of Directors, Yermo Community Services District (Full Term) <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva, Distrito de Servicios Comunitarios de Yermo (Termino Completo)</i>
District Offices <i>Cargos del Distrito</i>	<p style="text-align: center;">Vote for no more than Two <i>Vote por no más de Dos</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Vote for no more than Two <i>Vote por no más de Dos</i></p>
Member, Board of Directors, Morongo Valley Community Services District (Full Term) <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva, Distrito de Servicios Comunitarios de Morongo Valley (Termino Completo)</i> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for no more than Two <i>Vote por no más de Dos</i></p>	<input type="radio"/> MARY "TREE" GALEY	<input type="radio"/> RAQUEL K. RILEY
<input type="radio"/> LANCE WILLIAM FISHER	<input type="radio"/> DEBORAH J. PHILIPS <i>Appointed Phelan Pinon Hills Community Services District Board of Directors Member</i> <i>Miembro Designado de la Junta Directiva del Distrito de Servicios Comunitarios de Phelan Pinon Hills</i>	<input type="radio"/> LUCETTE LEA BECKNALL <i>Appointed Incumbent</i> <i>Titular Designada</i>
<input type="radio"/> CHRISTINA GORKE <i>Incumbent</i> <i>Titular</i>	<input type="radio"/> REBECCA A. KUJAWA <i>Incumbent</i> <i>Titular</i>	<input type="radio"/> DEBORAH L. SHIELDS <i>Yermo Community Services District Member, Board of Directors</i> <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva, Distrito de Servicios Comunitarios de Yermo</i>
<input type="radio"/> JANET E. OSBORNE	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
Member, Board of Directors, Morongo Valley Community Services District (Short Term) <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva, Distrito de Servicios Comunitarios de Morongo Valley (Termino Corto)</i> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for no more than Three <i>Vote por no más de Tres</i></p>	Member, Board of Directors, Wrightwood Community Services District <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva, Distrito de Servicios Comunitarios de Wrightwood</i> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for no more than Two <i>Vote por no más de Dos</i></p>	Member, Board of Directors, Yermo Community Services District (Short Term) <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva, Distrito de Servicios Comunitarios de Yermo (Termino Corto)</i> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>
<input type="radio"/> JOHNNY TOLBERT JR <i>Morongo Valley Community Services District Member, Board of Directors</i> <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva, Distrito de Servicios Comunitarios de Morongo Valley</i>	<input type="radio"/> MARTHA MCFAULS <i>Retired</i> <i>Jubilada</i>	<input type="radio"/> RICKY GENE LOEHR <i>Appointed Incumbent</i> <i>Titular Designado</i>
<input type="radio"/> STEVEN JAMES HAYDEN <i>Appointed Incumbent</i> <i>Titular Designado</i>	<input type="radio"/> DAN GOULD <i>Rocket Test Engineer</i> <i>Ingeniero de Prueba de Cohetes</i>	<input type="radio"/> JAYCOB N. GACETA TERLAJE
<input type="radio"/> EVA MARIE ROWLES <i>Small Business Owner</i> <i>Propietaria de Empresa Pequeña</i>	<input type="radio"/> RICK J. CHRISTENSEN <i>Retired Mechanical Engineer</i> <i>Ingeniero Mecánico Jubilado</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)
<input type="radio"/> LYNN WATTS <i>Appointed Incumbent</i> <i>Titular Designada</i>	<input type="radio"/> JILL M. CARLTONPAYNE <i>Community Volunteer</i> <i>Voluntaria de la Comunidad</i>	Member, Board of Directors Division 4, Chino Valley Independent Fire District <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva División 4, Distrito de Protección Contra Incendios Independiente de Chino Valley</i> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> CHAD MICHAEL KEEL	<input type="radio"/> JOHN T. DEMONACO <i>Retired Fire Chief</i> <i>Jefe de Bomberos Jubilado</i>
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> ANDREW M. ROMAINE <i>Retired Firefighter</i> <i>Bombero Jubilado</i>
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)

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<p>Nonpartisan Offices <i>Cargos No Partidarios</i></p>	<p>Member, Board of Directors, Arrowbear Park County Water District <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva, Distrito de Aguas del Condado de Arrowbear Park</i></p>	<p>Member, Board of Directors, East Valley Water District <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva, Distrito de Aguas de East Valley</i></p>
<p>District Offices <i>Cargos del Distrito</i></p>	<p>Vote for no more than Three <i>Vote por no más de Tres</i></p>	<p>Vote for no more than Two <i>Vote por no más de Dos</i></p>
<p>Member, Board of Directors, East Kern Healthcare District <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva, Distrito de Cuidados de la Salud de East Kern</i></p> <p>Vote for no more than Three <i>Vote por no más de Tres</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> CRAIG CARPENTER <i>Appointed Incumbent</i> <i>Titular Designado</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> JEFFREY MARK BUNYEA <i>Incumbent</i> <i>Titular</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> ADRIEN J. GRACE <i>Security Guard</i> <i>Guardia de Seguridad</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> CHRIS CARRILLO <i>East Valley Water District Governing Board Member</i> <i>Miembro de la Junta Gobernante del Distrito de Aguas de East Valley</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> JANET DUARTE <i>Secretary 1</i> <i>Secretaria 1</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> TERISA BONITO <i>Retired Banker</i> <i>Banquera Jubilada</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> DANIEL CARREON <i>Water Treatment Operator</i> <i>Operador de Tratamiento de Aguas</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> RUBI RIZO <i>Administrative Assistant</i> <i>Asistente Administrativa</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> SHEILA MAY WYMER <i>Incumbent</i> <i>Titular</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> LATA M. WILSON <i>Business Owner</i> <i>Propietario de Empresa</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> JESSICA ROJAS <i>Business Owner</i> <i>Propietaria de Empresa</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> MICHAEL STOFFEL <i>Small Business Owner</i> <i>Propietario de Empresa Pequeña</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> SHAUNA ROYTEN <i>Educator</i> <i>Educadora</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> DAVID E. SMITH <i>East Valley Water District Member, Board of Directors</i> <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva, Distrito de Aguas de East Valley</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> LOU PERALTA <i>Writer / Producer</i> <i>Escritor / Productor</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> JEFF SAKS <i>Retired School Teacher</i> <i>Maestro Escolar Jubilado</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> LAMIYA PATRICK <i>Incumbent</i> <i>Titular</i></p>	<p>Member, Board of Directors Division 4, Big Bear Municipal Water District <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva División 4, Distrito Municipal de Aguas de Big Bear</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p>
<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p>
<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> MARK LEE <i>Appointed Incumbent</i> <i>Titular Designado</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p>
<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> JOHN DALUIO OSBORN <i>General Manager</i> <i>Gerente General</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>
<p>Member, Board of Directors Division 2, Hesperia Recreation And Park District <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva División 2, Distrito de Parques y Recreación de Hesperia</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>
<p><input type="radio"/> KIM M. HAGUE <i>Administrative Services Manager</i> <i>Gerente de Servicios Administrativos</i></p>	<p>Member, Board of Directors Division 5, Big Bear Municipal Water District <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva División 5, Distrito Municipal de Aguas de Big Bear</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Member, Board of Directors Division 1, Inland Empire Utilities Agency <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva División 1, Agencia de Servicios Públicos de Inland Empire</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> KELLY JAY GREGG <i>Hesperia Recreation and Park District Member, Board of Directors</i> <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva, Distrito de Parques y Recreación de Hesperia</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> JONATHAN N. BISHOP <i>Business Owner</i> <i>Propietario de Empresa</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> MARCO TULE <i>Inland Empire Utilities Agency Member, Board of Directors Division 1</i> <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva División 1, Agencia de Servicios Públicos de Inland Empire</i></p>
<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> TOM BRADFORD <i>Incumbent</i> <i>Titular</i></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> CHRISTIAN G. GARCIA <i>Nonprofit Administrator</i> <i>Administrador de Organización sin Fines de Lucro</i></p>
<p>Member, Board of Directors Division 4, Hesperia Recreation And Park District <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva División 4, Distrito de Parques y Recreación de Hesperia</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p>Member, Board of Directors Division 2, Cucamonga Valley Water District <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva División 2, Distrito de Aguas de Cucamonga Valley</i></p> <p>Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)</p>
<p><input type="radio"/> JAMES M. BLOCKER <i>Site Manager</i> <i>Gerente de Sitio</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> MARK GIBBONEY <i>Cucamonga Valley Water District Member, Board of Directors Division 2</i> <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva División 2, Distrito de Aguas de Cucamonga Valley</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p>
<p><input type="radio"/> KENNETH NOWICKI <i>Material Management Supervisor</i> <i>Supervisor de Gestión de Materiales</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> AAJEE WARREN <i>Water Resources Analyst</i> <i>Analista de Recursos Hídricos</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/></p>
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Nonpartisan Offices <i>Cargos No Partidarios</i>	Member, Board of Directors, Rand Communities Water District <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva, Distrito de Aguas de Rand Communities</i>	Measures Submitted to the Voters <i>Medidas Sometidas a los Votantes</i>
District Offices <i>Cargos del Distrito</i>	Vote for no more than Two <i>Vote por no más de Dos</i>	State Measures <i>Medidas Estatales</i>
Member, Board of Directors Division 3, Joshua Basin Water District <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva División 3, Distrito de Aguas de Joshua Basin</i>	<input type="radio"/> LINDA C. IVES <i>Home Services Coordinator Coordinadora de Servicios del Hogar</i>	Proposition 2 <i>Proposición 2</i>
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> R GREGORY FRAZIER <i>Merchant Comerciante</i>	AUTHORIZES BONDS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE FACILITIES. LEGISLATIVE STATUTE. Authorizes \$10 billion in general obligation bonds for repair, upgrade, and construction of facilities at K-12 public schools (including charter schools), community colleges, and career technical education programs, including for improvement of health and safety conditions and classroom upgrades. Requires annual audits. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs of about \$500 million annually for 35 years to repay the bond. Supporters: California Teachers Association; California School Nurses Organization; Community College League of California Opponents: Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association
<input type="radio"/> JANE E. JARLSBERG <i>Joshua Basin Water District Member, Board of Directors Division 3 Miembro, Junta Directiva División 3, Distrito de Aguas de Joshua Basin</i>	<input type="radio"/> DAVID DAWSON <i>Retired Painter Pintor Jubilado</i>	
<input type="radio"/> RYAN MATTHEW CHERLIN <i>Small Business Owner Propietario de Empresa Pequeña</i>	<input type="radio"/> MARK S. JONES	
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> H. DEVERNE "DE" WALLACE <i>Retired Nurse Enfermera Jubilada</i>	
Member, Board of Directors Division 5, Joshua Basin Water District <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva División 5, Distrito de Aguas de Joshua Basin</i>	<input type="radio"/> JOHN SIDES <i>Retired Operations Supervisor Supervisor de Operaciones Jubilado</i>	AUTORIZA BONOS PARA INSTALACIONES DE ESCUELAS PÚBLICAS Y UNIVERSIDADES COMUNITARIAS. LEY LEGISLATIVA. Autoriza \$10 mil millones en bonos de obligaciones generales para la reparación, modernización y construcción de instalaciones en escuelas públicas K-12 (incluidas las escuelas autónomas), universidades comunitarias, y programas de educación técnica profesional, incluida la mejora de las condiciones de salud y seguridad y modernizaciones de las aulas. Requiere auditorías anuales. Impacto fiscal: Aumento de los costos del estado en unos \$500 millones al año por 35 años para pagar el bono. Partidarios: Asociación de Maestros de California; Organización de Enfermeras Escolares de California; Liga de Universidades Comunitarias de California Opositores: Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	Member, Board of Directors Division 1, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva División 1, Distrito Municipal de Aguas de San Bernardino Valley</i>	
<input type="radio"/> DEBRA L. TRUNCALE	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> YES / <i>SÍ</i> <input type="radio"/> NO / <i>NO</i>
<input type="radio"/> STACY DOOLITTLE <i>Incumbent Titular</i>	<input type="radio"/> JUNE D. HAYES <i>San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Member, Board of Directors, Division 1 Miembro, Junta Directiva División 1, Distrito Municipal de Aguas de San Bernardino Valley</i>	Proposition 3 <i>Proposición 3</i>
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> JOSE VELASQUEZ <i>Chief Finance Officer Director de Finanzas</i>	CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO MARRIAGE. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Amends California Constitution to recognize fundamental right to marry, regardless of sex or race. Removes language in California Constitution stating that marriage is only between a man and a woman. Fiscal Impact: No change in revenues or costs for state and local governments. Supporters: Sierra Pacific Synod of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Dolores Huerta Foundation; Equality California Opponents: Jonathan Keller, California Family Council; Rev. Tanner DiBella
Member, Board of Directors Division 6, Mojave Water Agency (Short Term) <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva División 6, Agencia de Aguas de Mojave (Termino Corto)</i>	<input type="radio"/> LYNN SUMMERS <i>Small Business Owner Propietaria de Empresa Pequeña</i>	
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	
<input type="radio"/> RONALD LESLIE HAEFELE	Member, Board of Directors Division 2, San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District (Short Term) <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva División 2, Distrito para la Conservación del Agua de San Bernardino Valley (Termino Corto)</i>	<input type="radio"/> YES / <i>SÍ</i> <input type="radio"/> NO / <i>NO</i>
<input type="radio"/> JESSE R. RAMIREZ <i>Operations Superintendent Superintendente de Operaciones</i>	<input type="radio"/> MARK E. FALCONE <i>Compliance Administrator Administrador de Cumplimiento</i>	DERECHO CONSTITUCIONAL AL MATRIMONIO. ENMIENDA LEGISLATIVA CONSTITUCIONAL. Enmienda la Constitución de California para reconocer el derecho fundamental al matrimonio, independientemente del sexo o la raza. Elimina el texto de la Constitución de California que indica que el matrimonio es solo entre un hombre y una mujer. Impacto fiscal: Sin cambio en los ingresos o costos para los gobiernos estatales y locales. Partidarios: Sinodo Sierra Pacific de la Iglesia Evangélica Luterana de Estados Unidos; Fundación Dolores Huerta; Organización Equality California Opositores: Jonathan Keller, Consejo de las Familias de California; Rev. Tanner DiBella
<input type="radio"/> (Write-In / <i>En-Escrito</i>)	<input type="radio"/> HILLARY SANDFORD JENKINS <i>Appointed Incumbent Titular Designada</i>	
Member, Board of Directors Division 7, Mojave Water Agency <i>Miembro, Junta Directiva División 7, Agencia de Aguas de Mojave</i>	Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	
Vote for One <i>Vote por Uno</i>	<input type="radio"/> MIKE LIMBAUGH <i>Mojave Water Agency Member, Board of Directors Division 7 Miembro, Junta Directiva División 7, Agencia de Aguas de Mojave</i>	
<input type="radio"/> KELLY J. GREGG <i>Executive Account Manager Gerente de Cuentas Ejecutivo</i>	<input type="radio"/> SARAH C. WARGO <i>President Cabazon Water Presidenta de Aguas de Cabazon</i>	
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SAMPLE BALLOT

BOLETA DE MUESTRA

Measures Submitted to the Voters <i>Medidas Sometidas a los Votantes</i>	Proposition 5 <i>Proposición 5</i>	Proposition 6 <i>Proposición 6</i>
State Measures <i>Medidas Estatales</i>	<p>ALLOWS LOCAL BONDS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE WITH 55% VOTER APPROVAL. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Allows approval of local infrastructure and housing bonds for low- and middle-income Californians with 55% vote. Accountability requirements. Fiscal Impact: Increased local borrowing to fund affordable housing, supportive housing, and public infrastructure. The amount would depend on decisions by local governments and voters. Borrowing would be repaid with higher property taxes. Supporters: California Professional Firefighters; League of Women Voters of California; Habitat for Humanity California Opponents: California Taxpayers Association; California Hispanic Chambers of Commerce; Women Veterans Alliance</p>	<p>ELIMINATES CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISION ALLOWING INVOLUNTARY SERVITUDE FOR INCARCERATED PERSONS. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Amends the California Constitution to remove current provision that allows jails and prisons to impose involuntary servitude to punish crime (<i>i.e.</i>, forcing incarcerated persons to work). Fiscal Impact: Potential increase or decrease in state and local costs, depending on how work for people in state prison and county jail changes. Any effect likely would not exceed the tens of millions of dollars annually. Supporters: Assemblymember Lori Wilson Opponents: None submitted</p>
Proposition 4 <i>Proposición 4</i>	<p>PERMITE BONOS LOCALES PARA VIVIENDAS ASEQUIBLES E INFRAESTRUCTURAS PÚBLICAS CON LA APROBACIÓN DEL 55 % DE LOS VOTANTES. ENMIENDA LEGISLATIVA CONSTITUCIONAL. Permite la aprobación de bonos locales de infraestructura y vivienda para californianos de ingresos bajos y medianos con un 55 % de los votos. Requisitos de responsabilidad. Impacto fiscal: Aumento de los préstamos locales para financiar la vivienda asequible, la vivienda de apoyo y la infraestructura pública. La cantidad dependerá de las decisiones de los gobiernos locales y los votantes. Los préstamos se devolverán con el aumento de los impuestos a la propiedad. Partidarios: Bomberos Profesionales de California; Liga de Mujeres Votantes de California; Hábitat para la Humanidad California Opositores: Asociación de Contribuyentes de California; Cámaras de Comercio de Hispanos de California; Alianza de Mujeres Veteranas</p>	<p>ELIMINA LA DISPOSICIÓN CONSTITUCIONAL QUE PERMITE LA SERVIDUMBRE INVOLUNTARIA PARA LAS PERSONAS EN PRISIÓN. ENMIENDA LEGISLATIVA CONSTITUCIONAL. <i>Enmienda la Constitución de California para eliminar la disposición actual que permite a las cárceles y prisiones imponer una servidumbre involuntaria para castigar el delito (es decir, obligar a trabajar a las personas en prisión).</i> Impacto fiscal: Aumento o reducción potencial de los costos estatales y locales, dependiendo del cambio de las reglas sobre el trabajo para las personas en prisiones estatales y cárceles del condado. Cualquier efecto probablemente no excedería las decenas de millones de dólares al año. Partidarios: Miembro de la Asamblea Lori Wilson Opositores: No se realizaron presentaciones</p>
<p>AUTHORIZES BONDS FOR SAFE DRINKING WATER, WILDFIRE PREVENTION, AND PROTECTING COMMUNITIES AND NATURAL LANDS FROM CLIMATE RISKS. LEGISLATIVE STATUTE. Authorizes \$10 billion in general obligation bonds for water, wildfire prevention, and protection of communities and lands. Requires annual audits. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs of about \$400 million annually for 40 years to repay the bond. Supporters: Clean Water Action; CALFIRE Firefighters; National Wildlife Federation; The Nature Conservancy Opponents: Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association</p> <p>AUTORIZA LOS BONOS PARA AGUA POTABLE SEGURA, PREVENCIÓN DE INCENDIOS FORESTALES Y PROTECCIÓN DE LAS COMUNIDADES Y LAS TIERRAS NATURALES CONTRA LOS RIESGOS CLIMÁTICOS. LEY LEGISLATIVA. Autoriza \$10 mil millones en bonos de obligaciones generales para agua, prevención de incendios forestales y protección de comunidades y tierras. Requiere auditorías anuales. Impacto fiscal: Aumento de los costos del estado en unos \$400 millones al año por 40 años para pagar el bono. Partidarios: Acción por el Agua Limpia; Bomberos de CALFIRE; Federación Nacional de la Vida Salvaje; Conservación de la Naturaleza Opositores: Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association</p>	<p>PERMITE BONOS LOCALES PARA VIVIENDAS ASEQUIBLES E INFRAESTRUCTURAS PÚBLICAS CON LA APROBACIÓN DEL 55 % DE LOS VOTANTES. ENMIENDA LEGISLATIVA CONSTITUCIONAL. Permite la aprobación de bonos locales de infraestructura y vivienda para californianos de ingresos bajos y medianos con un 55 % de los votos. Requisitos de responsabilidad. Impacto fiscal: Aumento de los préstamos locales para financiar la vivienda asequible, la vivienda de apoyo y la infraestructura pública. La cantidad dependerá de las decisiones de los gobiernos locales y los votantes. Los préstamos se devolverán con el aumento de los impuestos a la propiedad. Partidarios: Bomberos Profesionales de California; Liga de Mujeres Votantes de California; Hábitat para la Humanidad California Opositores: Asociación de Contribuyentes de California; Cámaras de Comercio de Hispanos de California; Alianza de Mujeres Veteranas</p>	<p>ELIMINA LA DISPOSICIÓN CONSTITUCIONAL QUE PERMITE LA SERVIDUMBRE INVOLUNTARIA PARA LAS PERSONAS EN PRISIÓN. ENMIENDA LEGISLATIVA CONSTITUCIONAL. <i>Enmienda la Constitución de California para eliminar la disposición actual que permite a las cárceles y prisiones imponer una servidumbre involuntaria para castigar el delito (es decir, obligar a trabajar a las personas en prisión).</i> Impacto fiscal: Aumento o reducción potencial de los costos estatales y locales, dependiendo del cambio de las reglas sobre el trabajo para las personas en prisiones estatales y cárceles del condado. Cualquier efecto probablemente no excedería las decenas de millones de dólares al año. Partidarios: Miembro de la Asamblea Lori Wilson Opositores: No se realizaron presentaciones</p>
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	<p><input type="radio"/> YES / <i>SÍ</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO / <i>NO</i></p>	<p>Proposition 32 <i>Proposición 32</i></p>
		<p>RAISES MINIMUM WAGE. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Raises minimum wage as follows: For employers with 26 or more employees, to \$17 immediately, \$18 on January 1, 2025. For employers with 25 or fewer employees, to \$17 on January 1, 2025, \$18 on January 1, 2026. Fiscal Impact: State and local government costs could increase or decrease by up to hundreds of millions of dollars annually. State and local revenues likely would decrease by no more than a few hundred million dollars annually. Supporters: None submitted Opponents: California Chamber of Commerce; California Restaurant Association; California Grocers Association</p> <p>AUMENTA EL SALARIO MÍNIMO. INICIATIVA DE LEY. Aumenta el salario mínimo de la siguiente forma: Para los empleadores con 26 o más empleados, a \$17 de inmediato, a \$18 el 1 de enero de 2025. Para los empleadores con 25 o menos empleados, a \$17 el 1 de enero de 2025, a \$18 el 1 de enero de 2026. Impacto fiscal: Los costos del gobierno estatal y local podrían aumentar o reducirse en cientos de millones de dólares al año. Los ingresos estatales y locales probablemente se reducirían en unos cuantos cientos de millones de dólares al año como máximo. Partidarios: No se realizaron presentaciones Opositores: Cámara de Comercio de California; Asociación de Restaurantes de California; Asociación de Comerciantes de Alimentos de California</p>
<p><input type="radio"/> YES / <i>SÍ</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> YES / <i>SÍ</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> YES / <i>SÍ</i></p>
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Measures Submitted to the Voters <i>Medidas Sometidas a los Votantes</i>	Proposition 34 <i>Proposición 34</i>	Proposition 36 <i>Proposición 36</i>
State Measures <i>Medidas Estatales</i>	RESTRICTS SPENDING OF PRESCRIPTION DRUG REVENUES BY CERTAIN HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Requires certain providers to spend 98% of revenues from federal discount prescription drug program on direct patient care. Authorizes statewide negotiation of Medi-Cal drug prices. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs, likely in the millions of dollars annually, to enforce new rules on certain health care entities. Affected entities would pay fees to cover these costs. Supporters: The ALS Association; California Chronic Care Coalition; Latino Heritage Los Angeles Opponents: National Org. for Women; Consumer Watchdog; Coalition for Economic Survival; AIDS Healthcare Foundation; Dolores Huerta	ALLOWS FELONY CHARGES AND INCREASES SENTENCES FOR CERTAIN DRUG AND THEFT CRIMES. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Allows felony charges for possessing certain drugs and for thefts under \$950, if defendant has two prior drug or theft convictions. Fiscal Impact: State criminal justice costs likely ranging from several tens of millions of dollars to the low hundreds of millions of dollars annually. Local criminal justice costs likely in the tens of millions of dollars annually. Supporters: Crime Victims United of California; California District Attorneys Association; Family Business Association of California Opponents: Diana Becton, District Attorney Contra Costa County; Crime Survivors for Safety and Justice
Proposition 33 <i>Proposición 33</i>	RESTRINGE EL GASTO DE LOS INGRESOS DE MEDICAMENTOS RECETADOS POR PARTE DE CIERTOS PROVEEDORES DEL CUIDADO DE LA SALUD INICIATIVA DE LEY. Requiere que ciertos proveedores gasten el 98 % de los ingresos del programa federal de descuento en medicamentos recetados en atención directa al paciente. Autoriza la negociación en todo el estado de los precios de medicamentos de Medi-Cal. Impacto fiscal: Aumento de los costos estatales, probablemente en millones de dólares al año, para aplicar las nuevas reglas a ciertas entidades de cuidado de la salud. Las entidades afectadas pagarían tarifas para cubrir estos costos. Partidarios: Asociación ALS; Coalición de California para los Cuidados Crónicos; Herencia Latina Los Angeles Opositores: Organización Nacional para la Mujer; Defensor de los Consumidores; Coalición para la Supervivencia Económica; Fundación para los Cuidados del AIDS; Dolores Huerta	PERMITE CARGOS DE DELITO GRAVE Y AUMENTA LAS SENTENCIAS POR CIERTOS DELITOS RELACIONADOS CON DROGAS Y HURTO. INICIATIVA DE LEY. Permite cargos de delito grave por posesión de ciertas drogas y hurto menor a \$950, si el acusado tiene dos condenas anteriores por drogas o hurto. Impacto fiscal: Los costos estatales de la justicia penal probablemente oscilen entre varias decenas de millones de dólares y unos pocos cientos de millones de dólares al año. Costos de la justicia penal local probablemente de decenas de millones de dólares al año. Partidarios: Víctimas del Crimen Unidas de California; Asociación de Fiscales de Distrito de California; Asociación de Empresas Familiares de California Opositores: Diana Becton, Fiscal de Distrito del Condado de Contra Costa; Sobrevivientes del Crimen por la Seguridad y la Justicia
EXPANDS LOCAL GOVERNMENTS' AUTHORITY TO ENACT RENT CONTROL ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Repeals Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act of 1995, which currently prohibits local ordinances limiting initial residential rental rates for new tenants or rent increases for existing tenants in certain residential properties. Fiscal Impact: Reduction in local property tax revenues of at least tens of millions of dollars annually due to likely expansion of rent control in some communities. Supporters: CA Nurses Assoc.; CA Alliance for Retired Americans; Mental Health Advocacy; Coalition for Economic Survival; TenantsTogether Opponents: California Council for Affordable Housing; Women Veterans Alliance; California Chamber of Commerce EXPANDE LA AUTORIDAD DE LOS GOBIERNOS LOCALES DE PROMULGAR EL CONTROL DE LA RENTA EN PROPIEDADES RESIDENCIALES. INICIATIVA DE LEY. Revoca la Ley de Viviendas de Renta de Costa-Hawkins de 1995, que actualmente prohíbe que las ordenanzas locales limiten las tarifas iniciales de renta residencial para nuevos inquilinos o aumentos de renta para inquilinos existentes en ciertas propiedades residenciales. Impacto fiscal: Reducción de los ingresos por los impuestos locales sobre la propiedad en al menos decenas de millones de dólares al año debido a la probable expansión del control de la renta en algunas comunidades. Partidarios: Asociación de Enfermeras de CA; Alianza para Americanos Jubilados de CA; Defensa de la Salud Mental; Coalición para la Supervivencia Económica; TenantsTogether Opositores: Consejo de California para la Vivienda Asequible; Alianza de Mujeres Veteranas; Cámara de Comercio de California	<input type="radio"/> YES / <i>SÍ</i> <input type="radio"/> NO / <i>NO</i> Proposition 35 <i>Proposición 35</i> PROVIDES PERMANENT FUNDING FOR MEDI-CAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Makes permanent the existing tax on managed health care insurance plans, which, if approved by the federal government, provides revenues to pay for Medi-Cal health care services. Fiscal Impact: Short-term state costs between roughly \$1 billion and \$2 billion annually to increase funding for certain health programs. Total funding increase between roughly \$2 billion to \$5 billion annually. Unknown long-term fiscal effects. Supporters: Planned Parenthood Affiliates of CA; American College of Obstetricians & Gynecologists; American Academy of Pediatrics, CA Opponents: None submitted PROPORCIONA FONDOS PERMANENTES PARA LOS SERVICIOS DE SALUD DE MEDI-CAL. INICIATIVA DE LEY. Establece como permanente el impuesto existente a los planes administrados de seguro de salud que, si se aprueba por el gobierno federal, proporciona ingresos para pagar los servicios de cuidado de la salud de Medi-Cal. Impacto fiscal: Costos estatales a corto plazo de entre aproximadamente \$1 mil millones y \$2 mil millones al año a fin de aumentar los fondos para ciertos programas de salud. Los fondos totales aumentarán entre aproximadamente \$2 mil millones y \$5 mil millones al año. No se conocen los efectos fiscales a largo plazo. Partidarios: Filiales de Planned Parenthood de CA; Colegio Americano de Obstetras y Ginecólogos; Academia Americana de Pediatría, CA Opositores: No se realizaron presentaciones <input type="radio"/> YES / <i>SÍ</i> <input type="radio"/> NO / <i>NO</i>	<input type="radio"/> YES / <i>SÍ</i> <input type="radio"/> NO / <i>NO</i> Colton Joint Unified School District Measure <i>Medida del Distrito Escolar Unificado Conjunto de Colton</i> Measure BB <i>Medida BB</i> To repair and improve aging neighborhood schools; fix deteriorating roofs, plumbing, electrical; remove asbestos and lead pipes; repair, construct, acquire classrooms, labs, sites, facilities/ equipment; support student achievement and college/career readiness in math, science, technology, engineering, arts and skilled trades; shall Colton Joint Unified School District's measure be adopted authorizing \$225,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, levying 4 cents per \$100 assessed value (\$6,300,000 Annually) while bonds are outstanding, with citizen oversight, independent audits, all money locally-controlled? <i>Para reparar y mejorar las escuelas de vecindario avejentadas; arreglar los techos deteriorados, la plomería, las instalaciones eléctricas; quitar las tuberías de asbesto y plomo; reparar, construir y adquirir aulas, laboratorios, establecimientos, instalaciones/ equipos; apoyar los logros de los estudiantes y la preparación universitaria y profesional en matemáticas, ciencias, tecnología, ingeniería, arte y oficios calificados, ¿se debería adoptar la medida del Distrito Escolar Unificado Conjunto de Colton que autoriza la emisión de \$225,000,000 en bonos a tasas legales, con la imposición de 4 centavos por cada \$100 del valor tasado (\$6,300,000 Al Año) mientras los bonos estén en circulación, para lo que se requeriría supervisión ciudadana, auditorías independientes y que todos los fondos se usen de manera local?</i> <input type="radio"/> BONDS YES / <i>BONOS SÍ</i> <input type="radio"/> BONDS NO / <i>BONOS NO</i>

SAMPLE BALLOT

BOLETA DE MUESTRA

Measures Submitted to the Voters <i>Medidas Sometidas a los Votantes</i>	Redlands Unified School District Measure <i>Medida del Distrito Escolar Unificado de Redlands</i>	Sierra Sands Unified School District Measure <i>Medida del Distrito Escolar Unificado de Sierra Sands</i>
Fontana Unified School District Measure <i>Medida del Distrito Escolar Unificado de Fontana</i>	Measure D <i>Medida D</i>	Measure AA <i>Medida AA</i>
Measure I <i>Medida I</i> With funds that cannot be taken by the State, shall Fontana Unified School District's measure to expand facilities, career training education programs, labs, including robotics, coding and construction; increase Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math classrooms; and ensure access for individuals with disabilities be adopted, authorizing \$408 million of bonds with legal rates, audits, average levies below \$52 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation (raising \$25 million annually), citizen oversight, and public disclosure of all spending? <i>Con fondos que no puedan ser tomados por el Estado, ¿deberá ser adoptada la medida del Distrito Escolar Unificado de Fontana para ampliar las instalaciones, programas educativos de formación profesional, laboratorios, incluyendo robótica, codificación y construcción; aumentar las aulas de Ciencias, Tecnología, Ingeniería, Artes y Matemáticas; y garantizar el acceso de las personas con discapacidad autorizando \$408 millones de bonos con tasas legales, auditorías, gravámenes promedio por debajo de \$52 por cada \$100,000 de valoración evaluada (recaudando \$25 millones anuales), supervisión ciudadana y divulgación pública de todos los gastos?</i> <input type="radio"/> BONDS YES <i>BONOS SÍ</i> <input type="radio"/> BONDS NO <i>BONOS NO</i>	REDLANDS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENT HEALTH/SAFETY, CLASSROOM REPAIR MEASURE To retain/attract quality teachers, provide healthy/safe classrooms by protecting students from extreme heat, repairing deteriorating roofs/sewer lines, removing mold/asbestos/lead, providing safe drinking water, upgrading safety, career/vocational, science/engineering classrooms, shall Redlands Unified School District's measure authorizing \$500,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, levying \$45 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation, averaging \$25,300,000 annually while bonds are outstanding, be adopted, requiring oversight, spending disclosure, funds used locally? DISTRITO ESCOLAR UNIFICADO DE REDLANDS MEDIDA DE SALUD/SEGURIDAD DE LOS ESTUDIANTES, REPARACIÓN DE AULAS Para retener/atraer maestros de calidad, proporcionar aulas saludables/seguras protegiendo a los estudiantes del calor extremo, reparar techos/alcantarillas deteriorados, eliminar moho/asbesto/plomo, proporcionar agua potable segura, mejorar la seguridad, aulas de profesiones/vocacionales, ciencias/ingeniería, ¿se deberá adoptar la medida del Distrito Escolar Unificado de Redlands que autoriza \$500,000,000 en bonos a tasas legales, recaudando \$45 por cada \$100,000 de valoración tasada, promediando \$25,300,000 anualmente mientras los bonos estén en circulación, requiriendo supervisión, divulgación de gastos, fondos usados localmente? <input type="radio"/> BONDS YES <i>BONOS SÍ</i> <input type="radio"/> BONDS NO <i>BONOS NO</i>	Sierra Sands Unified School District Repairs/ Safety Measure. To retain teachers/ maintain quality local schools by upgrading older schools; ensuring school safety/ earthquake preparedness; fixing/ replacing leaky roofs, windows, plumbing; updating science, technology, engineering, math classrooms; qualifying for United States Department of Defense matching funds, shall Sierra Sands Unified School District's measure be adopted issuing \$42,000,000 in bonds at limited interest rates, levying 6¢ per \$100 assessed valuation (\$3,100,000 annually) while bonds are outstanding, no money for administrators' salaries, requiring audits/ citizens oversight, all funds staying local? Medida de Reparaciones/ Seguridad del Distrito Escolar Unificado de Sierra Sands. Para retener maestros/ mantener escuelas locales de calidad mediante la modernización de escuelas antiguas; para garantizar la seguridad escolar la preparación para terremotos; para reparar/ reemplazar techos, ventanas y plomería con fugas; para actualizar aulas de ciencia, tecnología, ingeniería y matemáticas; para calificar para recibir fondos de contrapartida del Departamento de Defensa de los Estados Unidos, ¿debería adoptarse la medida del Distrito Escolar Unificado de Sierra Sands emitiendo \$42,000,000 en bonos a tasas de interés limitadas, recaudando 6¢ por cada \$100 de valoración tasada (\$3,100,000 anualmente) mientras los bonos estén pendientes, sin destinar dinero a salarios de administradores, requiriendo auditorías/ supervisión para los ciudadanos, y manteniendo todos los fondos a nivel local? <input type="radio"/> BONDS YES <i>BONOS SÍ</i> <input type="radio"/> BONDS NO <i>BONOS NO</i>
Morongo Unified School District Measure <i>Medida del Distrito Escolar Unificado de Morongo</i>	<input type="radio"/> BONDS YES <i>BONOS SÍ</i> <input type="radio"/> BONDS NO <i>BONOS NO</i>	<input type="radio"/> BONDS YES <i>BONOS SÍ</i> <input type="radio"/> BONDS NO <i>BONOS NO</i>
Measure C <i>Medida C</i>	Rim of The World Unified School District Measure <i>Medida del Distrito Escolar Unificado de Rim of The World</i>	<input type="radio"/> BONDS YES <i>BONOS SÍ</i> <input type="radio"/> BONDS NO <i>BONOS NO</i>
To repair or replace aging roofs, modernize/renovate classrooms, restrooms and school facilities; upgrade aging electrical systems; and improve outdated technology, shall the Morongo Unified School District measure authorizing \$88,300,000 in bonds, at legal rates, generating on average \$5,361,000 annually as long as bonds are outstanding at a rate of approximately \$36.19 per \$100,000 of assessed value, be adopted, with annual audits, independent citizens' oversight, NO money for teacher or administrator salaries and all money staying local? <i>Para reparar o reemplazar techos envejecidos; modernizar/renovar aulas, baños e instalaciones escolares; actualizar sistemas eléctricos envejecidos; y mejorar tecnología obsoleta; ¿deberá adoptarse la medida del Distrito Escolar Unificado de Morongo que autoriza \$88,300,000 en bonos, a tasas legales, generando en promedio \$5,361,000 anualmente mientras los bonos estén en circulación a una tasa de aproximadamente \$36.19 por \$100,000 de valor tasado, con auditorías anuales, supervisión independiente de los ciudadanos, NADA de dinero para salarios de maestros o administradores y que todo el dinero se quede en la localidad?</i> <input type="radio"/> BONDS YES <i>BONOS SÍ</i> <input type="radio"/> BONDS NO <i>BONOS NO</i>	Measure E <i>Medida E</i> To improve school safety and security systems, repair/replace deteriorating roofs, plumbing, heating, cooling/ electrical systems, remove asbestos/ lead pipes and upgrade, acquire, construct classrooms, facilities, sites/equipment to support college and career readiness in science, math, engineering, arts, and skilled trades, shall Rim of the World Unified School District's measure authorizing \$71,000,000 bonds at legal rates be adopted, levying 3 cents per \$100 assessed value (\$4,000,000 annually) while bonds are outstanding, with citizen oversight, audits and all money staying local? <i>Para mejorar los sistemas de seguridad escolar, reparar/reemplazar los techos y los sistemas de electricidad, plomería, calefacción y refrigeración deteriorados; retirar las tuberías de asbesto/plomo y mejorar, adquirir y construir aulas, instalaciones y centros/equipos destinados a promover la preparación universitaria y profesional en ciencias, matemáticas, ingeniería, artes y oficios calificados, ¿se debería adoptar la medida del Distrito Escolar Unificado de Rim of the World que autoriza \$71,000,000 en bonos a tasas legales, recaudando 3 centavos por cada \$100 del valor tasado (\$4,000,000 al año) mientras los bonos estén en circulación, incluyendo supervisión ciudadana, auditorías y mantener control de los fondos de manera local?</i> <input type="radio"/> BONDS YES <i>BONOS SÍ</i> <input type="radio"/> BONDS NO <i>BONOS NO</i>	Snowline Joint Unified School District Measure <i>Medida del Distrito Escolar Unificado Conjunto de Snowline</i> Measure J <i>Medida J</i> To improve the quality of local schools, repair or replace leaky roofs; improve school safety and security; replace outdated plumbing, electrical, and sewer systems; renovate, upgrade, and construct science labs, classrooms, and restrooms; shall Snowline Joint Unified School District's measure authorizing \$70,600,000 in bonds at legal interest rates be adopted, levying an average 4¢ per \$100 assessed value while bonds are outstanding, generating approximately \$3,900,000 annually, with annual audits, independent oversight, NO funds for salaries, all money staying local? <i>Para mejorar la calidad de las escuelas locales, reparar o reemplazar los techos con goteras; mejorar la seguridad y protección de las escuelas; reemplazar los sistemas anticuados de plomería, electricidad y alcantarillado; renovar, actualizar y construir laboratorios de ciencias, aulas y baños; ¿deberá adoptarse la medida del Distrito Escolar Unificado Conjunto de Snowline que autoriza \$70,600,000 en bonos a tasas de interés legales, recaudando un promedio de 4¢ por cada \$100 de valor tasado mientras los bonos estén en circulación, generando aproximadamente \$3,900,000 anualmente, con auditorías anuales, supervisión independiente, SIN fondos para salarios, todo el dinero permaneciendo local?</i> <input type="radio"/> BONDS YES <i>BONOS SÍ</i> <input type="radio"/> BONDS NO <i>BONOS NO</i>

Measures Submitted to the Voters <i>Medidas Sometidas a los Votantes</i>	Alta Loma School District Measure <i>Medida del Distrito Escolar de Alta Loma</i>	San Bernardino County Measures <i>Medidas del Condado de San Bernardino</i>
<p>Victor Valley Union High School District Measures <i>Medidas del Distrito Escolar de Preparatorias de Victor Valley Union</i></p>	<p>Measure G <i>Medida G</i></p>	<p>Measure K <i>Medida K</i></p>
<p>Measure A <i>Medida A</i></p> <p>VICTOR VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT OVERCROWDING/SAFETY MEASURE. To attract quality teachers, reduce high school overcrowding, prepare students for college and careers by: expanding the number of classrooms, including vocational/science/engineering labs; up-to-date school security/safe drinking water systems; shall Victor Valley Union High School District's measure authorizing \$180,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, levying \$23 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation, raising approximately \$10,000,000 annually while bonds are outstanding be adopted, requiring oversight, public spending disclosure, all funds be spent locally?</p> <p>MEDIDA DE SOBREPoblación/SEGURIDAD DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR DE PREPARATORIAS DE VICTOR VALLEY UNION. Para atraer a maestros de calidad, reducir la sobrepoblación en la escuela preparatoria, preparar a los estudiantes para el colegio y las profesiones mediante: la ampliación del número de aulas, incluyendo laboratorios vocacionales/de ciencias/de ingeniería; sistemas actualizados de seguridad escolar/agua potable; ¿se deberá adoptar la medida del Distrito Escolar de Preparatorias de Victor Valley Union que autoriza \$180,000,000 en bonos a tasas legales, recaudando \$23 por cada \$100,000 de valoración tasada, recolectando aproximadamente \$10,000,000 anualmente mientras los bonos estén en circulación, requiriendo supervisión, divulgación del gasto pública, que todos los fondos se gasten localmente?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> BONDS YES <i>BONOS SÍ</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> BONDS NO <i>BONOS NO</i></p>	<p>To repair and upgrade Alta Loma School District classrooms, labs, and school facilities supporting student achievement in math, science, technology, arts, engineering; fix deteriorating roofs, plumbing, ventilation, electrical systems; update instructional technology; and improve school safety/ security, shall Alta Loma School District's measure be adopted authorizing \$71,000,000 in bonds at legal rates (without increasing current tax rates), levying approximately 3¢ per \$100 assessed value (\$5,000,000 annually) while bonds are outstanding, with citizen oversight, independent audits, all money locally controlled?</p> <p><i>Para reparar y mejorar las aulas, los laboratorios, y las instalaciones escolares del Distrito Escolar de Alta Loma apoyando el rendimiento estudiantil en matemáticas, ciencias, tecnología, artes e ingeniería; reparar los techos deteriorados, la plomería, ventilación y los sistemas eléctricos; actualizar la tecnología educativa; y mejorar la seguridad escolar, ¿se debería adoptar la medida del Distrito Escolar de Alta Loma autorizando \$71,000,000 en bonos a tasas legales (sin aumentar los impuestos actuales), recaudando aproximadamente 3¢ por cada \$100 de valor tasado (\$5,000,000 al año) mientras los bonos estén pendientes, con supervisión ciudadana, auditorías independientes y todo el dinero controlado localmente?</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> BONDS YES <i>BONOS SÍ</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> BONDS NO <i>BONOS NO</i></p> <p>Mountain View School District School Facilities Improvement District No. 3 Measure <i>Medida de Distrito de Mejora de Instalaciones Escolares Nro. 3 del Distrito Escolar de Mountain View</i></p> <p>Measure H <i>Medida H</i></p>	<p>Shall the measure to provide funding for San Bernardino County infrastructure and services, increasing the transient occupancy tax (paid by occupants of hotels/vacation rentals) to 11%, providing approximately an additional \$9,400,000 annually for general government use until ended by voters, with these funds continuing to be audited as part of the County's external independent annual audit, and providing that all funds be locally controlled, be adopted?</p> <p><i>¿Se debería adoptar la medida para proporcionar financiamiento para la infraestructura y los servicios del Condado de San Bernardino, aumentando el impuesto de ocupación transitoria (pagado por los ocupantes de hoteles/alquileres vacacionales) al 11%, proporcionando aproximadamente \$9,400,000 adicionales anualmente para uso general del gobierno hasta que los votantes lo finalicen, mientras estos fondos continúen siendo auditados como parte de la auditoría anual externa e independiente del Condado y siempre que todos los fondos sean controlados localmente?</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES <i>SÍ</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO <i>NO</i></p> <p>Measure L <i>Medida L</i></p> <p>AMENDMENTS TO THE SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY CHARTER FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT STAFFING AND COMMUNITY PROTECTION</p> <p>Shall the amendments to the San Bernardino County Charter regarding law enforcement staffing and community protection within the unincorporated areas of the County be adopted?</p> <p><i>ENMIENDAS A LOS ESTATUTOS DEL CONDADO DE SAN BERNARDINO SOBRE LA CARTA ORGÁNICA DE PERSONAL AL SERVICIO DEL CUMPLIMIENTO DE LA LEY Y LA PROTECCIÓN DE LA COMUNIDAD</i></p> <p><i>¿Deben adoptarse las enmiendas a los Estatutos del Condado de San Bernardino relacionadas con la Carta Orgánica de personal al servicio del cumplimiento de la ley y la protección de la comunidad en las áreas no incorporadas del Condado?</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES <i>SÍ</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO <i>NO</i></p>
<p>Measure X <i>Medida X</i></p> <p>VICTOR VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL REPAIR, HEALTH/SAFETY MEASURE. To retain quality teachers, ensure healthy/safe classrooms by: removing asbestos, mold, lead paint; providing safe drinking water; repairing leaky roofs, gas lines; upgrading 911 systems, vocational/career classrooms/labs, shall Victor Valley Union High School District's measure authorizing \$180,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, levying \$23 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation, raising approximately \$10,000,000 annually while bonds are outstanding be adopted, requiring oversight, public spending disclosure, all funds be spent locally?</p> <p>MEDIDA DE REPARACIÓN DE ESCUELAS SECUNDARIAS/PREPARATORIAS. SALUD/SEGURIDAD DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR DE PREPARATORIAS DE VICTOR VALLEY UNION. Para retener a maestros de calidad, asegurar aulas saludables/seguras al: remover asbesto, moho, pintura con plomo; proporcionar agua potable segura; reparar techos con goteras, tuberías de gas; actualizar los sistemas 911, aulas/laboratorios vocacionales/profesionales, ¿se deberá adoptar la medida del Distrito Escolar de Preparatorias de Victor Valley Union que autoriza \$180,000,000 en bonos a tasas legales, recaudando \$23 por cada \$100,000 de valoración tasada, recolectando aproximadamente \$10,000,000 anualmente mientras los bonos estén en circulación, requiriendo supervisión, divulgación de gastos públicos, que todos los fondos se gasten localmente?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> BONDS YES <i>BONOS SÍ</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> BONDS NO <i>BONOS NO</i></p>	<p>To repair and improve aging neighborhood schools, improve fire safety/school security systems, fix deteriorating roofs, plumbing, electrical and repair, construct and acquire classrooms, labs, sites, facilities and equipment to support student achievement in math, science, technology, arts, and engineering, shall Mountain View School District's School Facilities Improvement District No. 3 measure authorizing \$56,000,000 in bonds at legal rates be adopted, levying \$26 per \$100,000 assessed value (averaging \$3,500,000 annually) while bonds are outstanding, with independent oversight, audits, and all money locally-controlled?</p> <p><i>Para reparar y mejorar las escuelas de vecindario avejentadas, mejorar los sistemas de prevención de incendios/seguridad de las escuelas, arreglar los techos deteriorados, la plomería y las instalaciones eléctricas y reparar, construir y adquirir aulas, laboratorios, establecimientos, instalaciones y equipos para apoyar el desempeño de los estudiantes en matemáticas, ciencias, tecnología, arte, e ingeniería, ¿se debería adoptar la medida del Distrito de Mejora de Instalaciones Escolares Nro. 3 del Distrito Escolar de Mountain View que autoriza \$56,000,000 en bonos a tasas legales, recaudando \$26 por cada \$100,000 de valor tasado (en promedio \$3,500,000 por año) mientras los bonos estén en circulación, sujetos a una supervisión independiente, a auditorías, y al control a nivel local de todo el dinero?</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> BONDS YES <i>BONOS SÍ</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> BONDS NO <i>BONOS NO</i></p>	<p>City of Adelanto Measure <i>Medida de la Ciudad de Adelanto</i></p> <p>Measure R <i>Medida R</i></p> <p>Shall the City of Adelanto update its 1988 Flat Rate Business License Tax; this updated rate will be paid by local employers, based on the size of the business' annual sales (ranging from 0.125% to 0.40%); this will enable larger companies to pay their fair share of city services; this update will directly benefit the City's General Fund by approximately \$1.2 million annually, should this be adopted?</p> <p><i>¿Debería la Ciudad de Adelanto actualizar su Impuesto de Licencia Comercial de Tasa Fija de 1988? Esta tasa actualizada será pagada por los empleadores locales, según en el tamaño de las ventas anuales del negocio (entre 0.125% y 0.40%); esto permitirá a las empresas más grandes pagar su parte justa por los servicios de la ciudad; esta actualización beneficiará directamente al Fondo General de la Ciudad en aproximadamente \$1.2 millones anuales, ¿debería adoptarse?</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES <i>SÍ</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO <i>NO</i></p>

<p>Measures Submitted to the Voters <i>Medidas Sometidas a los Votantes</i></p>	<p>City of Grand Terrace Measure <i>Medida de la Ciudad de Grand Terrace</i></p>	<p>City of Rancho Cucamonga Measure <i>Medida de la Ciudad de Rancho Cucamonga</i></p>
<p>Town of Apple Valley Measure <i>Medida del Pueblo de Apple Valley</i></p>	<p>Measure M <i>Medida M</i></p>	<p>Measure Q <i>Medida Q</i></p>
<p>Measure P <i>Medida P</i></p> <p>Town of Apple Valley Public Safety/Town Services Measure: Shall the measure funding Town of Apple Valley services such as maintaining 911 response times, safe routes to schools programs; responding to property crimes/thefts/burglaries; hiring/retaining sheriff's deputies; repairing streets/potholes; retaining/attracting local businesses; addressing homelessness; cleaning/maintaining public areas/parks; general town services; by establishing a 1¢ sales tax providing approximately \$9,000,000 annually until ended by voters; requiring audits/public spending disclosure, all funds used locally, be adopted?</p> <p>Medida de Seguridad Pública/Servicios Municipales del Pueblo de Apple Valley: <i>¿Se debería adoptar la medida que financia servicios del Pueblo de Apple Valley como el mantenimiento de los tiempos de respuesta del 911, los programas de rutas seguras a las escuelas; las respuesta a delitos contra la propiedad/robos/asaltos; la contratación/retención de agentes del alguacil; reparación de calles/baches; retención/atracción de negocios locales; abordaje de la falta de vivienda; limpieza/mantenimiento de áreas públicas/parques; servicios generales del pueblo mediante el establecimiento de un impuesto a las ventas de 1¢ que proporcione aproximadamente \$9,000,000 anuales hasta que los votantes lo eliminen; requiriendo auditorías/divulgación del gasto pública con todos los fondos utilizados localmente?</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES / <i>SÍ</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO / <i>NO</i></p>	<p>GRAND TERRACE GENERAL SERVICES MEASURE. Shall the measure, funding general City of Grand Terrace services such as additional law enforcement services and for general government use by establishing a 1.00% sales tax providing approximately \$1 million annually until ended by voters be adopted?</p> <p>MEDIDA PARA LOS SERVICIOS GENERALES DE GRAND TERRACE ¿Se debe adoptar la medida de financiar los servicios generales de la ciudad de Grand Terrace, como servicios adicionales del cumplimiento de la ley y para uso del gobierno general mediante el establecimiento de un impuesto a las ventas del 1.00%, que proporcionará aproximadamente \$1 millón anualmente hasta que los votantes lo den por terminado?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES / <i>SÍ</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO / <i>NO</i></p>	<p>In order to provide general city services, such as public safety, roads, and improvements to parks and open space, shall the City of Rancho Cucamonga adopt an ordinance to increase its transient occupancy tax, a tax paid only by hotel and short term rental guests, from 10 percent to 12 percent until ended by voters, providing approximately \$1,000,000 annually, subject to citizen oversight and City Council authority to reduce the tax if funds are unnecessary?</p> <p><i>Para prestar los servicios municipales generales, como seguridad pública, carreteras y mejoras de parques y espacios abiertos, ¿la ciudad de Rancho Cucamonga debería adoptar una ordenanza para aumentar el impuesto a la ocupación temporal, un impuesto que solo pagan los huéspedes de los hoteles y quienes alquilan alojamiento por poco tiempo, del 10 por ciento al 12 por ciento hasta que los votantes decidan lo contrario, lo que produciría aproximadamente \$1,000,000 por año, sujeto a la supervisión de los ciudadanos y a la autoridad del Concejo Municipal de reducir el impuesto si los fondos no son necesarios?</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES / <i>SÍ</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO / <i>NO</i></p>
<p>City of Fontana Measure <i>Medida de la Ciudad de Fontana</i></p>	<p>City of Needles Measure <i>Medida de la Ciudad de Needles</i></p>	<p>City of Yucaipa Measure <i>Medida de la Ciudad de Yucaipa</i></p>
<p>Measure T <i>Medida T</i></p> <p>CITY OF FONTANA SALES TAX MEASURE. Shall the measure providing funding for the City of Fontana's general government use, such as maintaining 911 response, fire/police protection; recruiting/retaining well-trained police officers; helping prevent property crimes/thefts/burglaries; keeping public areas/parks safe/clean; addressing homelessness; protecting local drinking water sources; repairing streets/potholes by establishing a 1% sales tax providing approximately \$46,000,000 annually until ended by voters; requiring audits, spending disclosure, all funds locally controlled, be adopted?</p> <p>MEDIDA DE IMPUESTO SOBRE LAS VENTAS DE LA CIUDAD DE FONTANA. <i>¿Se debería adoptar la medida que proporciona fondos para el uso general del gobierno de la Ciudad de Fontana, tales como el mantenimiento de la respuesta al 911; la protección contra incendios/policial; la contratación/retención de oficiales de policía debidamente capacitados; ayudar a prevenir los delitos contra la propiedad/robos/hurtos; el mantenimiento de áreas públicas/parques seguros y limpios; la atención a las personas sin hogar; la protección de las fuentes locales de agua potable; y la reparación de calles/baches, mediante el establecimiento de un impuesto sobre la venta del 1% que proporcionaría aproximadamente \$46,000,000 anuales hasta que los votantes decidan ponerle fin; que requiere auditorías, divulgación de gastos y control local de todos los fondos?</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES / <i>SÍ</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO / <i>NO</i></p>	<p>Measure O <i>Medida O</i></p> <p>Shall a measure be adopted approving an alternative square foot tax on persons actively engaged in the business of Cannabis Cultivation at a monthly tax rate of up to \$1.75 per square foot of Cannabis Cultivation Area or fraction thereof (adjusted annually for CPI, but in no case more than 5% or less than 2%, starting on January 1 on the first year the tax is implemented, and each year thereafter)?</p> <p><i>¿Se debe adoptar una medida con la que se apruebe un impuesto alternativo por pie cuadrado aplicado a las personas involucradas activamente en el negocio de Cultivo de Cannabis a una tasa mensual de hasta \$1.75 por pie cuadrado del Área del Cultivo de Cannabis o por fracción de la misma (ajustable cada año según el índice de precios al consumidor, jamás será superior al 5% ni menor al 2%, en vigencia a partir del 1° de enero del primer año de la implementación del impuesto, y cada año desde ese momento)?</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES / <i>SÍ</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO / <i>NO</i></p>	<p>Measure S <i>Medida S</i></p> <p>City of Yucaipa Public Safety/Essential Services Protection Measure; to prevent reducing police officers/firefighters/paramedics/fire stations, and to maintain other essential services, including 911 response, property crime/gang prevention, senior/youth/after-school programs, homelessness prevention, street/pothole repair, and for general government use, shall a measure establishing a 1¢ transactions and use (sales) tax providing approximately \$6,000,000 annually until ended by voters, requiring oversight, independent audits, spending disclosure, local control of all funds, be adopted?</p> <p><i>Medida de Protección de la Seguridad Pública/los Servicios Esenciales de la Ciudad de Yucaipa; para evitar la reducción de oficiales de policía/bomberos/paramédicos/estaciones de bomberos y para mantener otros servicios esenciales, que incluyen la respuesta del 911, la prevención de los delitos contra la propiedad/las pandillas, los programas extracurriculares/para personas mayores/para jóvenes, la prevención de la falta de vivienda, la reparación de calles/baches, y para el uso general del gobierno, ¿se debería adoptar una medida que establezca un impuesto de 1¢ sobre las transacciones y el uso (ventas) que genere aproximadamente \$6,000,000 por año hasta que los votantes decidan lo contrario, y que requiera supervisión, auditorías independientes, una declaración de gastos, y el control local de todos los fondos?</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES / <i>SÍ</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO / <i>NO</i></p>
<p>City of Upland Measure <i>Medida de la Ciudad de Upland</i></p>	<p>City of Upland Measure <i>Medida de la Ciudad de Upland</i></p>	<p>City of Upland 1% Sales Tax for General City Services. Shall the measure establishing a one-percent retail transactions and use (sales) tax, generating approximately \$20,000,000 annually, until ended by voters, for general city services, such as the improvement and maintenance of infrastructure and provision of public safety services, be adopted?</p> <p>Ciudad de Upland Impuesto del 1% sobre las Ventas para Servicios Generales de la Ciudad. <i>¿Debe adoptarse la medida que establece un impuesto del uno por ciento sobre las transacciones minoristas y el uso (ventas), generando aproximadamente \$20,000,000 anuales, hasta que los votantes lo finalicen, para los servicios generales de la ciudad, tales como la mejora y el mantenimiento de la infraestructura y la prestación de servicios de seguridad pública?</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES / <i>SÍ</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO / <i>NO</i></p>

<p>Measures Submitted to the Voters <i>Medidas Sometidas a los Votantes</i></p>	<p>Bear Valley Community Healthcare District Measure <i>Medida del Distrito de Cuidados de la Salud Comunitarios de Bear Valley</i></p>
<p>Town of Yucca Valley Measures <i>Medidas del Pueblo de Yucca Valley</i></p>	<p>Measure U <i>Medida U</i></p>
<p>Measure Y <i>Medida Y</i></p>	<p>Maintaining Local Hospital and Emergency Healthcare Services Parcel Tax Measure:</p>
<p>Town of Yucca Valley Measure Y Local Funding Reauthorization. To continue funding resident priorities in Yucca Valley, such as: Police, crime prevention, 911 emergency response; Fixing potholes, streets, sidewalks, infrastructure; Keeping parks/public areas safe and clean; And other general services Shall the measure reauthorizing the Town of Yucca Valley's existing ½ cent sales tax be adopted at the current rate (no increase), continuing approximately 3 million dollars annually until ended by voters, with oversight audits, and all funds locally controlled?</p> <p>Medida Y del Pueblo de Yucca Valley de Reautorización de Financiamiento Local. Para continuar financiando las prioridades de los residentes en Yucca Valley, tales como: Policía, prevención del crimen, respuesta de emergencia 911; Arreglo de baches, calles, aceras, infraestructura; Mantenimiento de parques/áreas públicas seguras y limpias; Y otros servicios generales ¿Se debería adoptar la medida que reautorice el impuesto de ventas existente de ½ centavo del Pueblo de Yucca Valley a la tasa actual (sin aumento), y que continúe aproximadamente 3 millones de dólares anualmente hasta que sea finalizada por los votantes, con supervisión, auditorías, y todos los fondos controlados localmente?</p>	<p>To continue maintaining local access to life-saving emergency medical care at Bear Valley Community Hospital, keep hospital medical technology/equipment up-to-date, and ensure the hospital has enough qualified doctors and nurses, shall Bear Valley Community Healthcare District extend without increasing its expiring parcel tax (\$20 for unimproved parcels, \$45 for improved) for 10 years only, with annual independent financial audits, no money for administrators, all funds dedicated to hospital services in Big Bear Valley?</p> <p>Medida de Impuesto Parcelario para Mantener los Servicios de Hospitales Locales y el Cuidado de Salud de Emergencia: Para continuar manteniendo el acceso local a la atención médica de emergencia que salva vidas en el Hospital Comunitario de Bear Valley, mantener actualizada la tecnología/equipos médicos del hospital y asegurar que el hospital cuente con suficientes médicos y enfermeras cualificados; ¿deberá el Distrito de Cuidados de la Salud Comunitarios de Bear Valley extender, sin aumentar, su impuesto parcelario que va a expirar (\$20 por parcelas no mejoradas, \$45 por parcelas mejoradas) durante 10 años solamente, con auditorías financieras independientes anuales, sin dinero para administradores, todos los fondos dedicados a los servicios hospitalarios en Big Bear Valley?</p>
<p><input type="radio"/> YES / <i>SÍ</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO / <i>NO</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> YES / <i>SÍ</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO / <i>NO</i></p>
<p>Measure Z <i>Medida Z</i></p>	<p><input type="radio"/> YES / <i>SÍ</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO / <i>NO</i></p>
<p>Town of Yucca Valley Measure Z Sewer Assessment Reduction/ Clean Water Measure. To continue the approximately 50% per year reduction in sewer assessments charged to pay for the sewer system that ensures a safe, clean, reliable water supply, shall the Town of Yucca Valley's existing ½ cent sales tax measure generating approximately 3 million dollars annually be adopted and reauthorized at the current rate (no increase) for 10 years, with audits, oversight, and all funds locally controlled?</p> <p>Medida Z del Pueblo de Yucca Valley Medida de Reducción de Evaluación de Alcantarillado/ de Agua Limpia. Para continuar la reducción de aproximadamente el 50% anual en las evaluaciones de alcantarillado que se cobran para pagar el sistema de alcantarillado que garantiza un suministro de agua seguro, limpio y confiable, ¿se debería adoptar y reautorizar la medida del impuesto a las ventas existente del Pueblo de Yucca Valley de ½ centavo que genera aproximadamente 3 millones de dólares anuales a la tasa actual (sin aumento) por 10 años, con auditorías, supervisión y todos los fondos controlados localmente?</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> YES / <i>SÍ</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO / <i>NO</i></p>

Candidate Information

Political Party Endorsements for Voter-Nominated Offices

Political parties have the option to endorse candidates for Voter-Nominated Offices. Below is a list of candidates who have been endorsed by qualified political parties.

Democratic Party	
United States Representative	
District 23	Derek Marshall
District 25	Raul Ruiz
District 28	Judy Chu
District 33	Pete Aguilar
District 35	Norma J. Torres
District 40	Joe Kerr
State Senator	
District 19	Lisa Middleton
District 23	Kipp Mueller
District 25	Sasha Renée Pérez
District 29	Eloise Gomez Reyes
District 31	Sabrina Cervantes
Member of the State Assembly	
District 34	Ricardo Ortega
District 36	Jose "Joey" Acuña Jr.
District 39	Juan Carrillo Ventura
District 41	John Harabedian
District 45	James C. Ramos
District 47	Christy Holstege
District 50	Robert Garcia
District 53	Michelle Rodriguez
District 58	Clarissa Cervantes
District 59	Dave Obrand

Republican Party	
United States Representative	
District 23	Jay Obernolte
District 25	Ian M. Weeks
District 28	April A. Verlato
District 33	Tom Herman
District 35	Mike Cargile
District 40	Young Kim
State Senator	
District 19	Rosilicie Ochoa Bogh
District 23	Suzette Martinez Valladares
District 25	Elizabeth Wong Ahlers
District 29	Carlos A. Garcia
District 31	Cynthia Navarro
Member of the State Assembly	
District 34	Tom Lackey
District 36	Jeff Gonzalez
District 39	Paul Andre Marsh
District 41	Michelle Del Rosario Martinez
District 45	Scott P. Olson
District 47	Greg Wallis
District 53	Nick Wilson
District 58	Leticia Castillo
District 59	Phillip Chen

American Independent Party	
United States Representative	
District 23	Jay Obernolte
District 25	Ian M. Weeks
District 28	April A. Verlato
District 35	Mike Cargile
District 40	Young Kim
State Senator	
District 25	Elizabeth Wong Ahlers
Member of the State Assembly	
District 36	Jose "Joey" Acuña Jr.
District 39	Paul Andre Marsh
District 53	Nick Wilson

Voluntary Expenditure Limits

The following candidates for State Senator and Member of the State Assembly have voluntarily agreed to the expenditure limitations set forth in California Government Code Sections 85400 and 85601(c), allowing them the option to have a candidate statement appear in this guide.

State Senator	
District 19	Party Preference
Rosilicie Ochoa Bogh	Republican
District 25	Party Preference
Sasha Renée Pérez	Democratic
Elizabeth Wong Ahlers	Republican
District 29	Party Preference
Carlos A. Garcia	Republican
Eloise Gomez Reyes	Democratic
District 31	Party Preference
Sabrina Cervantes	Democratic
Cynthia Navarro	Republican

Member of the State Assembly	
District 34	Party Preference
Ricardo Ortega	Democratic
Tom Lackey	Republican
District 36	Party Preference
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Jose "Joey" Acuña Jr.	Democratic
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Juan Carrillo Ventura	Democratic
Paul Andre Marsh	Republican
District 41	Party Preference
Michelle Del Rosario Martinez	Republican
District 50	Party Preference
Robert Garcia	Democratic
Adam Perez	Democratic
District 53	Party Preference
Nick Wilson	Republican
Michelle Rodriguez	Democratic
District 58	Party Preference
Clarissa Cervantes	Democratic
Leticia Castillo	Republican
District 59	Party Preference
Dave Obrand	Democratic
Phillip Chen	Republican

Candidate Statements

Candidate statements in this guide provide the candidate an opportunity to speak directly to voters.

Candidate statements are optional and printed at the candidate's own expense. Some candidates choose not to purchase space for a statement; therefore, this guide may not contain a statement for every candidate on your ballot.

Statements are printed as submitted by the candidates.

The following pages may contain statements for candidates for the following offices appearing on your ballot:

- United States Representative
- State Senator
- Member of the State Assembly
- School Offices
- County Offices
- City Offices
- Special District Offices

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CANDIDATE(S) FOR UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 23

DEREK MARSHALL
Community Organizer

Age: 41

I know folks are struggling. I've been there myself. I am one of the many Americans that have had to drive Uber just to make next month's rent. I've driven thousands of rides listening to voters like you.

Politicians from both parties say they are for working families. But then take money from big business and vote in their interest. That isn't my style.

I am independent-minded and will work with anyone to bring back money and jobs to our community.

I will ensure that our area is a place where you can thrive. My campaign is driven by everyday Americans, just like you and me.

When I talk to voters, I hear the same asks:

They want good paying jobs. I will make sure the bullet train benefits the area and the region isn't just a stopover on the way between LA and Vegas. I will make sure that hard-working locals are first in line for new jobs that I bring.

We all want to address homelessness. Nobody should be afraid to walk the street at night and we need to make sure people can get the help they need. The Victorville Wellness Center is a good start, but we need more projects like it. I'll bring the funding.

And we need more places where families can have fun. I will bring new water parks and event halls that attract sports, concerts, and shows.

I will work tirelessly to ensure we have our voices heard in Washington.

JAY OBERNOLTE
Congressman / Business Owner

Age: 54

As a husband, father, and a local small business owner for over 30 years, I care deeply about the well-being of our community.

Many of us are struggling to afford the high prices caused by Washington's wasteful spending, which is why I am fighting to provide relief for working families by:

- Introducing legislation to balance the federal budget, stop inflationary spending, and form a bipartisan committee to eliminate waste, fraud and abuse
- Fighting to repeal gas taxes and lower taxes on the middle class
- Voting to expand the child tax credit for families

Crime and drug overdoses have skyrocketed, and the open border has allowed criminals and drugs to pour into our community. To keep our families safe, I have:

- Helped pass the strongest border security bill in history
- Authored legislation to make drug dealers who kill people with fentanyl-laced drugs eligible for felony murder charges
- Stopped the relocation of multiple sexually violent predators into our community
- Fully funded our military, including a pay raise for our troops

I am also fighting for the veterans who fought for us. That is why I worked with both Republicans and Democrats to expand coverage for veterans who were exposed to toxic burn pits while serving overseas, and I'm working to hold the VA accountable.

Fighting for you has been the honor of my lifetime. I hope you'll join small businesses, taxpayer advocates, law enforcement officers, and veterans in supporting Jay Obernolte for Congress.

Learn more about my values at ElectJay.com

CANDIDATE(S) FOR UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 25

RAUL RUIZ

Emergency Physician / Congressman

These are hard times. Too many people feel anxious about where things are headed. They're frustrated and angry that politicians seem more focused on their own selfish interests than in helping others.

I grew up in a trailer in Coachella, the son of farmworkers. My family – and most others in our community – struggled to afford food, housing, and healthcare.

I wanted to make life better for families like ours, so I became an Emergency Room physician to help people in need. Public service is my passion.

I ran for Congress so I could do even more to help people in need. I don't care about titles or power or partisan bickering. I care about getting things done, and putting people over politics. That means:

Lowering the Cost of Living: I helped pass the Inflation Reduction Act, cutting the cost of energy and medicine. I've fought to crack down on oil and gas companies that are gouging consumers, and to reduce the cost of housing and childcare.

Affordable Healthcare for All: I wrote a law improving MediCal coverage for thousands of local families. I voted to prevent insurance companies from denying health coverage to people with pre-existing health conditions, and to reduce prescription drug costs through Medicare.

Protecting Women's Health: I've always fought to protect a woman's right to make her own reproductive and healthcare decisions, including the decision to access a safe, legal abortion, birth control, and In Vitro Fertilization (IVF) services.

People over politics. That's what I believe in.

CANDIDATE(S) FOR UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 33

PETE AGUILAR

Age: 45

United States Representative

Inland Empire families deserve a leader who will work with Democrats and Republicans to lower costs and help families get ahead. That's why in Congress, I'm working to bring down prescription drug and health care costs, expand access to affordable housing, create good-paying jobs in our communities, and protect Social Security and Medicare.

I grew up in a working-class family in San Bernardino. I was taught from an early age the values of family, hard work, and helping my community. My first job was bussing tables at the San Bernardino County Courthouse cafeteria. With the help of federal grants and student loans, I was able to work my way through college.

I understand that families are working harder than ever to make ends meet and household budgets are stretched thin. That's why I've been working to lower costs by:

- Capping the cost of insulin at \$35/month for seniors
- Building more affordable housing
- Expanding manufacturing to make more things in America
- Bringing home federal resources to create jobs and invest in local infrastructure

I know there's more work to do. In Congress, I've been fighting the MAGA extremists who want to ban abortion nationwide and even ban fertility treatments like IVF. Women, not politicians, should make decisions about their bodies. I will never stop defending women's reproductive freedom.

It is a privilege to work on your behalf in Congress and I'd be honored to earn your vote.

CANDIDATE(S) FOR UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 35

NORMA J. TORRES

U.S. Representative

Norma Torres has a proven track record of effective leadership and delivering for the Inland Empire. She's been at the forefront fighting for higher wages, better working conditions, and quality healthcare for working families. Norma will always ensure government works for the people, not special interests. In Congress, she has:

- Secured \$8.5 million to improve neighborhood parks, expand hiking trails and support programs to provide local youth and their families a safe place to go after school with access to tutoring, mentoring and recreational programs.
- Delivered \$1.6 million for public safety services including body cameras, and a new emergency operation center for our local firefighters and emergency responders to save lives.
- Fought to eliminate red tape to expedite the construction of new and affordable housing right here in our community for working families, seniors, people with disabilities and to provide homeless assistance services.
- Fought to ensure veterans and their families received the GI Education benefits they deserve and delivered over \$82 million in retroactive pay and health benefits for Inland Empire veterans.

Norma will continue to work to revitalize every neighborhood by investing in our local parks, libraries and ensuring that our streets, and water are safe and clean. She will continue to support small businesses and oppose tax breaks for billionaires and wealthy corporations. She will always fight against cuts to Medicare and Social Security. On November 5th, please join health care workers and working family organizations in Voting for Norma Torres for U.S. Congress. www.NormaTorres.com

CANDIDATE(S) FOR UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 40

YOUNG KIM

U.S. Representative

I ran for U.S. Congress because, like you, I believed our country was heading in the wrong direction and that we deserved better. Washington politicians were too busy appeasing special interest groups and advancing their own agendas, instead of working on solutions to address the real issues facing Americans.

In Congress, I've broken through the partisan gridlock and delivered results for families facing skyrocketing inflation, rising costs, and increased crime.

Inflation & Taxes: Rising costs are making it harder for everyday people to make ends meet. I've worked to combat inflation, lower taxes, and returned more than \$24 million back to hardworking taxpayers from the federal government.

Public Safety: My top priority is keeping our families safe. I will continue to support law enforcement to keep criminals off our streets and restore law-and-order. That's why I'm endorsed by Sheriff Shannon Dicus.

Border Security: Border security is national security. That's why I've visited the Southern border multiple times to work directly with border patrol agents to crack down on cartels, secure our border, and stop the flow of fentanyl into our communities.

I have a strong record of being an independent voice, and am ranked one of the most bipartisan and effective members of Congress.

That's why I've been trusted and endorsed by nearly 100 local, county, and state elected officials and education leaders who I've personally worked with to deliver results. I hope to earn your vote to continue to fight to restore the American Dream. www.YoungKimForCongress.com

JOE KERR

Retired Firefighter Captain

Congress is a dysfunctional circus and extremists are only adding fuel to the fire. As a 34-year OC Firefighter Captain, I know how to put those out.

Washington D.C. is filled with politicians who have done nothing but cozy up to the most extreme. They pad their pockets and leave us out to dry.

That's why I'm running for Congress.

I spent decades running into burning buildings, putting out fires, and saving lives. As the first President of the OC Professional Firefighters, I helped over 200 bipartisan bills get passed and signed into law that made us safer and protected working families.

When asked to balance the OC Fire Authority's budget, I answered the call and balanced our \$500 million budget, saving taxpayers millions.

When first responders were threatened with layoffs, I fought back, saved their jobs, and kept our communities safe. When their healthcare was at risk, I created a new plan that increased benefits without raising taxes.

When I heard that taxpayers were being brushed under the rug, I negotiated and secured a refund of over \$600 million in Vehicle License Fees.

Being a firefighter, I learned to get things done. Not for me, but for you. Regardless of political affiliation. And that's exactly what I'll do in Congress.

I'll fight to rebuild the middle class, bring good-paying jobs back home, secure our border, get fentanyl off our streets, keep our communities safe, lower costs, and increase affordability.

I humbly ask for your vote.

www.JoeKerrForCongress.com

CANDIDATE(S) FOR STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 19

ROSILICIE OCHOA BOGH

State Senator / Small Businesswoman

I'm grateful to have lived the American Dream. The daughter of Mexican immigrants, I was taught that personal responsibility, hard work, and an education could unlock my future potential. That mentality, combined with the opportunities America provides, allowed my husband and I to have a family, grow a local business, and serve my community in the California State Senate.

Now, I am running for reelection to protect those values and opportunities for all Californians so they can achieve their American Dream.

Stopping Inflation & Strengthening our Economy: With the rising cost of groceries and gasoline, working families are struggling to make ends meet. That's why I've taken on Sacramento politicians and led efforts to stop inflation, lower taxes, and bolster our economy.

Supporting Law Enforcement: Crime is out-of-control and instead of empowering our police, there have been efforts to defund law enforcement. I will always support the police and ensure that criminals are prosecuted for the crimes they commit. That's why I'm trusted and endorsed by Sheriff Shannon Dicus and Sheriff Chad Bianco.

Improving Education: As a former educator and school boardmember, I've worked hand-in-hand with our local teachers to enhance our classrooms. Every child deserves a chance at an exceptional education, and improving our schools has been a top priority to make that a reality.

I'm endorsed by our local elected officials, education leaders, and public safety because they trust me to keep Sacramento accountable and always working for us. I would be honored to earn your support.

www.OchoaBoghforSenate.com

CANDIDATE(S) FOR STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 25

ELIZABETH WONG AHLERS

Age: 57

Councilmember / Teacher

In these days when record numbers of Californians are moving out of state, and we suffer a \$47 billion deficit, informed voters support me, Elizabeth Wong Ahlers, to represent them for State Senate District 25. Councilwoman in Crescenta Valley, Mother of Six, married 34 years, graduate of UCLA, Doctor of Applied Theology—I have lived a life of service. I bring 34 years of experience with a deep commitment to uphold personal liberties, promote loving communities, empower parents and families, stand with law enforcement, and champion educational excellence for all our children.

As fifth-generation Californian, our family, like many others, is deeply rooted in our diverse Foothill and San Gabriel Valley community. Raising children and grandchildren here, I understand the problems of high cost of living, public safety, jobs, and schools.

In addition to public service on Crescenta Valley Town Council with a focus on Community Emergency Response and Land Development, professionally, I have invested in the future of our students as professor of English at UCLA, LA Valley College, Glendale Community College, and internationally.

Beyond professional roles, I have volunteered on international boards supporting humanitarian causes in South America, India, Asia, and locally for school, Scouts, and community support groups.

In these insecure times, I offer you thoughts of peace, and not of evil; to give you a future and a hope. As your future California State Senator, Elizabeth Wong Ahlers will represent you for a brighter and prosperous California. This is Our Time.

CANDIDATE(S) FOR STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 29

ELOISE GOMEZ REYES

Assemblymember / Attorney / Businesswoman

The Inland Empire is where I was born, opened my law practice, raised my family, and volunteered.

For nearly 30 years, I provided free legal services to help vulnerable residents defend themselves against corporations, and I worked with our youth, seniors, and Veterans.

Hard work is not new to me. I worked hard as a girl picking onions at the age of 12. I worked hard during my time as your Assemblymember delivering resources to working families. That work ethic will continue as your State Senator. We have much to do, but I'm proud to have delivered results for our community during my time in Sacramento.

Together we:

- Delivered millions of dollars for law enforcement to keep our neighborhoods safe.
- Invested in clean vehicles that support the Inland Empire.
- Led the effort to reduce childcare costs for families.
- Increased protections for employees facing workplace discrimination.
- Passed legislation to ensure every student in California has access to financial aid to pursue higher education.
- Protected our Veterans in courts and made sure they're part of our state housing plans.
- Fought for resources to address our housing and homelessness crisis.
- Protected our seniors from abuse and mistreatment.

As your State Senator, I'll continue to help Inland Empire families get ahead. I'm proudly endorsed by the California Democratic Party, Teachers, Labor, Firefighters, Police, Nurses, Seniors, and Veterans, along with local and state elected officials. I hope to earn your vote and continue fighting for our community. I'll be on your side.

www.eloiseforsenate.com

CANDIDATE(S) FOR STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 31

SABRINA CERVANTES

California State Assemblymember

Dear Neighbor,

I'm running for State Senate because our Inland Empire communities need a senator with a strong track record of getting things done.

I'm a working mother of triplets who currently represents portions of Riverside County in the State Assembly. In this role, I've authored 44 bills that have been signed into law, including important legislation to help local veterans, seniors, small businesses, and schools. Having served as the Chair of the Assembly Committee on Jobs, I've been on the frontlines of the fight to help small businesses create jobs and grow wages for working families.

My record in the State Assembly includes:

- Expanding the UCR Medical School to address the physician shortage
- Championing legislation to reduce crime and address the fentanyl epidemic
- Securing over \$650 million in funding for local schools, parks, and infrastructure
- Opposing tax increases and working to stop rising costs
- Building a Veterans Resource Center at Norco College
- Fighting to protect women's rights and increase access to maternal mental health

I'm a lifelong Riverside County resident, and I worked in the private sector, state government, and for a statewide nonprofit organization prior to my election to the State Legislature. I earned my bachelor's degree in political science with a minor in public policy from the University of California, Riverside.

I'm proud to have the support of over 200 organizations and leaders throughout Riverside and San Bernardino counties, including groups representing local firefighters, teachers, and nurses. I'd be honored to earn your vote.

Sabrina Cervantes www.SabrinaCervantes.com

CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 36

JEFF GONZALEZ

Retired Marine / Pastor / Business Owner

I served in the Marine Corps for 21 years, four times in combat zones. My experiences taught me there are no Republicans or Democrats in a foxhole.

We need to stop the political party fighting and get things done. We are Americans and Californians first. That's how I will serve as your Assemblyman: people over party.

When I retired from the military, I watched too many of my fellow Marines die by suicide. I became a pastor and worked to help servicemembers recover from what they experienced in combat.

Later, I opened a small business. Many nights, my wife and I worried about how to pay the bills. You see, we have four children, and one is severely mentally and physically disabled.

We take care of him every day, and wouldn't have it any other way. Here is the truth: the politicians in Sacramento are making our lives harder.

People struggle, yet they raise taxes on gas and make food, housing, and our daily needs more expensive. I'll vote to lower prices so it's easier to live a middle-class life.

Our schools are failing. Students are not learning the basics to get good jobs and are threatened with violence. I'll vote to ensure students get the best education and that our schools are safe.

The politicians in Sacramento are messing with you: your jobs and your family. I'll be on your side every time. When there is trouble, send in a Marine!

JOSE "JOEY" ACUÑA

School Board Member

Jose "Joey" Acuña is a local School Board Member and longtime community leader who has the experience needed to deliver results for our district and fight for positive change.

Joey understands that San Bernardino County families are struggling to keep pace with the rising costs of gas, groceries, insurance, and rent. In the State Assembly, he will fight to:

- Build affordable housing and lower healthcare costs.
- Stop price gouging and stand up for consumers.
- Raise wages and help local industries create jobs.

Joey is an experienced leader who will also fight to:

- Improve schools and lower the costs of higher education.
- Reduce homelessness by addressing the root causes.
- Ensure safe neighborhoods and combat the fentanyl epidemic.

As a local School Board Member, Joey has worked hard to improve graduation rates, enhance after-school programs, and expand college and career pathway programs. His long history of community leadership includes serving on nonprofit and public agency boards dedicated to helping young people and protecting consumers.

Joey is endorsed by local firefighters, nurses, teachers, grocery workers, and small business owners. He's also proud to have the support of community, education, and business leaders throughout San Bernardino County.

"I'm running for State Assembly because I believe in the promise of California, and I want to make sure the residents of our district have affordable housing, world-class schools, and good-paying jobs. I'd be honored to earn your vote." -Joey Acuna

Questions? Contact Joey at (760) 332-8163 or Hi@JoeyAcuna.com. Learn more at www.JoeyAcuna.com.

CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 39

JUAN CARRILLO

Assemblymember

My story, like many of yours, is rooted in humble beginnings. I am a proud Mexican immigrant who came to this country for a better life, working as a dishwasher to put myself through school, earning a degree, becoming a city planner, and being elected your State Assemblymember. My family and I know how hard life can be for people in our community. We've lived it. I understand the challenges we face: the need for quality education, the struggle for affordable housing, and the right to fair wages for work. I am running for re-election to continue building a community where everyone can thrive and our children can achieve the American Dream, just like I did. That's why I fought for historic investments in education - including \$300 million for economically disadvantaged schools - while making it easier to build housing that seniors, young people, and working families can afford. I know that too many workers and small businesses are struggling. That's why I've fought to increase wages and improve working conditions while cracking down on retail theft, property crime, and fentanyl dealers. As your Assemblymember, I'll continue to deliver resources that improve our communities' quality of life. I'm supported by the California Democratic Party, small business leaders, and labor unions representing teachers, firefighters and working families. Re-electing me means choosing a proven leader who understands our struggles and has a track record of working across the aisle to deliver results. Let's keep moving forward, together. www.VoteJuanCarrillo.com

CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 50

ROBERT GARCIA

Educator / School Boardmember

Age: 46

Inland Empire residents are working harder than ever to make ends meet because of rising costs, while corporations make record profits and special interests get their way with some politicians. I understand the challenges families face and I'm running for State Assembly to keep putting people first and get the results we need.

As a son of immigrants, growing up in a union household, I defied odds, becoming the first in my family to graduate high school and college, earning degrees from UCLA and USC. Now, my wife and I are raising our three children in Rancho Cucamonga as I successfully work towards excellence in education for Inland Empire students.

For 20 years, I've served our communities as a classroom teacher, school administrator, and Etiwanda School Boardmember, delivering results to strengthen education, and focusing on safety and mental health for students.

I'm running for State Assembly to put people ahead of special interests and focus on solutions, not politics, by:

- Keeping neighborhoods safe by ensuring public safety departments have the resources they need.
- Fully funding our local schools so students have the tools to succeed.
- Getting costs under control, make housing more affordable, and work on innovative solutions to tackle homelessness.
- Standing up to corporate polluters to improve our air quality and keep our water clean.

I'm proud to be the only candidate endorsed by the California Democratic Party, California Teachers Association, California Nurses Association, California Latino Legislative Caucus, Inland Empire Labor Council, and local leaders including Congressman Pete Aguilar and Assemblymember Eloise Reyes.

I'm here to serve and will stand up for you. I hope to earn your vote.
RobertGarcia4CA.com

ADAM PEREZ

Detective / School Board Member

Dear Neighbor,

San Bernardino County is an incredible place to call home, but skyrocketing costs of living, rising homelessness, and a lack of good-paying jobs are big problems that require thoughtful leadership and hard work.

My name is Adam Perez, and I'm a police detective, School Board Member, combat veteran, and longtime community leader.

In the State Assembly, I'll work to:

- Fight inflation and slow the rising costs of gas, groceries, and rent.
- Prevent tax and fee increases that families can't afford.
- Make neighborhoods safer and ensure fast 911 response times.
- Improve schools and make college more affordable.
- Reduce homelessness with a focus on mental health and housing.
- Protect our environment, ensure cleaner air, and build more parks.
- Encourage innovation to help businesses grow and create jobs.

Having faced housing insecurity after my military service, I understand the struggles too many Californians face. That's why addressing inflation and rising costs will be my top priority. As a local School Board Member, I have expanded classroom technology and implemented a career pathways program. As a police detective, I've worked to make communities safer.

Feel free to contact me directly at (909) 600-0408 or [Hello@AdamPerez.org](mailto>Hello@AdamPerez.org) if you have any questions that I can answer or ideas that you want to share.

I'm proud to have been endorsed by local firefighters, police officers, community leaders, and small business owners. I'm also supported by elected leaders throughout Bloomington, Colton, Fontana, Loma Linda, Rancho Cucamonga, and Redlands. I hope to earn your vote.

Adam Perez
www.AdamPerez.org

CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 53

NICK WILSON

Age: 41

Retired Police Officer / Husband / Father

Background:

Retired Police Officer, Founder of nonprofit focusing on police suicide prevention, law enforcement instructor, BS in criminal justice, Masters in Public Administration, husband and father.

Goals:

My top priorities are public safety, cost of living, parental rights, and homelessness. Public safety must be restored, and both crime victims and police officers need our support. I will fight to enhance our quality of life so families can feel safe in public without fear. California is in crisis. Sacramento's irresponsible policies are making it impossible for families to thrive. This must change.

Affordability

The cost of living must be reduced, economic opportunities expanded, and taxes cut. Families deserve to keep the money they earn and provide for their children.

Parental Rights

Parents should have the fundamental right to make decisions about their children's well-being and education. These rights are currently under attack, and we must stand together to defend them.

Ending Homelessness

The homelessness crisis must end. Mismanagement of public funds intended to address homelessness has exacerbated the issue. We must prioritize principles over politics to resolve this crisis. Silence is not an option.

Families are the backbone of our community. They deserve a representative who prioritizes their interests over those of special interest groups that career politicians often favor. As a non-politician, I will fight for your family. District 53 deserves better.

www.nickwilsonca.com

MICHELLE RODRIGUEZ

Public Safety Commissioner

My name is Michelle Rodriguez, and I'd be honored to earn your vote for State Assembly.

I've committed my life to advocating for safer and healthier neighborhoods, and against domestic violence. I'm a survivor of gun violence myself, and I've always strived to make sure my children and grandchildren-and our neighborhoods and schools-are safe.

My life experience and career in school safety led to my appointment as a Commissioner on the California Police Officer Standards and Training (POST) Commission, which sets policy for law enforcement across California.

I'm proud to be a working-class mom, guided by the values I learned growing up in Ontario. I'm even more proud of my children, who pursued their dreams and careers in firefighting, law enforcement, healthcare and business.

As your Assemblywoman, I'll work across party lines to make life more affordable for working class families like mine. I'll fight for housing that families can afford, and to bring more quality jobs and career training to our area. And as a longtime school safety professional and PTA leader who raised four children in local public schools, I'm committed to investing in education.

I'm also committed to addressing the root causes of homelessness – including expanded mental health care and drug treatment, and cutting red tape to increase the housing supply.

I'm endorsed by our firefighters, nurses, teachers, police chiefs, police officers and deputies, labor unions, and small business leaders, and I'm rated 100% by Planned Parenthood. I'd be proud to earn your vote, too!

www.michelleforassembly.com

CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 58

CLARISSA CERVANTES

Councilmember / Businesswoman / Mother

Inland Empire families are having a harder time making ends meet while big corporations are making record profits, and warehouses are encroaching on our neighborhoods. We need someone on our side. I'm a mother, businesswoman, and results-driven Riverside Councilmember. I'm running for California State Assembly to continue to put people first and get things done, not focus on partisanship or culture wars. Born to a family with Southern California farmworker heritage, I worked on behalf of Registered Nurses after earning my college degree and ran for City Council to be a voice for underserved communities. On the Council, I've stood up against warehouse overdevelopment and utility rate increases, fought for funds to repair roads, strengthened public safety, supported small businesses, and tackled housing and homelessness by helping to build more homes that are affordable and draft the city's 5-year plan to reduce the unhoused population. I've been accessible and responsive, and I've brought people together to deliver results. In the California State Assembly, I'll put politics aside and focus on solutions to:

- Make housing affordable and tackle the unhoused crisis;
- Create good-paying local jobs to reduce commuting;
- Expand access to affordable healthcare;
- Invest in public schools;
- Protect our environment, air, and water;
- Ensure police and fire have the resources to keep our neighborhoods safe; and
- Stand up to special interests in Sacramento

I'm proud to be endorsed by the [California Professional Firefighters](#), [Riverside City Firefighters](#), [California Nurses Association](#), [California Teachers Association](#), [Service Employees International Union \(SEIU\)](#), [California, United Food and Commercial Workers](#), the [California Democratic Party](#), along with [Senator Richard Roth](#), and civil rights leader [Dolores Huerta](#). I'll take action and get results for you. ClarissaCervantes.com

LETICIA CASTILLO

Age: 53

Licensed Psychotherapist / Businesswoman / Grandmother

California urgently needs new leadership that truly understands the needs of our families, communities, schools, and businesses. As a citizen representative and lifelong resident of Home Gardens in Riverside County, I am running for California's 58th Assembly District to address critical issues: Parental Rights, Public Safety, Quality Education, and Affordable Living. Sacramento has failed us for too long, and I am ready to bring the change our state needs.

I hold a Bachelor's degree in Human Services and a Master's in Counseling Psychology, specializing in Marriage and Family Therapy and Professional Clinical Counseling. I am prepared to serve effectively from day one.

California faces out-of-control crime, homelessness, fentanyl crisis, skyrocketing housing prices, and increasing taxes. I am committed to addressing these issues and ensure our law enforcement has the support needed to safeguard every Californian. As a Licensed Psychotherapist, I am uniquely equipped to tackle these pressing issues. I will prioritize the well-being of our communities over greed, divisive social agendas, and partisan politics.

I am pro-military, pro-law enforcement, and pro-Second Amendment. As a first-generation Mexican-American, fluent in English and Spanish, I learned the values of faith and hard work from my father, who came to the US through the Braceros program and achieved the American Dream. Guided by faith, I will restore balance and improve the quality of life in Assembly District 58 and across California.

Endorsements: California Republican Party, Riverside County Sheriff Chad Bianco, District Attorney Mike Hestrin, many other leaders and everyday Americans. I would be honored to earn your vote.

LeticiaCastilloForAssembly.com

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, BOARD OF EDUCATION AREA C
COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO**

LAURA MANCHA

Age: 64

Board Member SB County of Education Area C

Thank you for voting. Our world has changed and there has never been a more important time in our history to be educated and informed. We are living in unprecedented times, and our public education system has been diligent in working to find new ways to deliver instruction to our students. I have been honored to serve as a school board member for many years and have taken my responsibilities seriously. My goals are to continue to:

- Ensure that students and school support staff are in a safe and healthy environment
- Provide equitable access to technology for all students
- Graduate students that can read, write, and communicate effectively
- Apply my experience and knowledge to important decision making
- Make myself accessible and accountable to the public

We all agree that our kids need to learn, and I will continue my commitment to our students and families. Public education is the foundation of our American democracy, and I will proudly work to see that it stays that way.

I would appreciate your vote on November 5th.
www.votelauramancha.com

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, BOARD OF EDUCATION AREA E
COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO**

NEAL ALFRED WANER
Certified Financial Planner

Age: 61

I pledge to work to provide every child in our county with a safe environment to receive the best education possible for their future success.

I am an experienced board member with a collective 27 years elected or appointed. I was elected to the Redlands School District serving 13 years including three times as board chair. 14 years ago I was appointed by the SB County Board of Supervisors to SBcera, our county's \$15 billion pension. My 38-year career as a financial advisor has allowed me to serve on a variety of non-profit boards learning valuable leadership skills to help build consensus. I work effectively with others, prioritizing goals and solving problems. I will bring years of experience, integrity, leadership skills, and commitment to the office.

Public education runs deep in my family including seven family members across three generations. During the 13 years I served on the local school board, eight of those years my father, Dr. Al Waner, served on the SB County school board. I pledge to bring the best of my experience, relationships, and abilities to the position.

I humbly request your support and vote. Neal Waner.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA B
BARSTOW COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

SONIA COMPTON-REAY

Business Owner

As a lifelong resident of Barstow, I understand the challenges faced by our community, especially those in low-income households. With over 10 years of business and entrepreneurial experience and more than 3 years of teaching at the community college level, I have seen firsthand the importance of accessible education and support for all. I am committed to bringing innovative solutions, valuable experience, and genuine passion to our college's Board of Trustees. My goal is to ensure every student has the opportunity to succeed, regardless of their financial background. Together, we can create a brighter future for everyone in our community.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 3
COPPER MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

MARY E. LOMBARDO
Incumbent

Age: 59

For 34 years I have called the Morongo Basin my home. I have raised my two children in this community, and they grew up in Copper Mountain College classrooms. For 12 years, I have served faithfully and passionately on the Board of Trustees at CMC, with two terms as Board President. The areas of strength and advocacy I offer this community as a Board Member:

*Championing career technical education such as the new Construction Trades Program, for our students to cultivate skills and provide specific job training that is applicable to regional workforce needs and opportunities.

*Supporting the creation of a Career Service Center to help align students, graduates and local businesses for economic growth in our community

*Promoting the accessibility of dual enrollment of high school students in college classes, taking place on their own campuses or online along with the creation of an Early College Program to help fast track students to associate degrees and university transfer.

* Establishing the financial stability and sustainability of CMC's future through prudent reserves, fund balances and wise resource management.

With your vote, I will continue serving our community in this way.

Thank you, Mary Lombardo

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 3
SAN BERNARDINO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

JOHN LONGVILLE

Age: 74

S.B. Community College District Board Member

Some people enjoy solving crossword puzzles, or sudoku, or video games. I enjoy solving public policy problems.

Over the years you have elected me to several positions where I could use my problem-solving skills.

In 1992 a few friends and I created – and found ways to pay for – the Metrolink train system. Soon after that I led a group that funded the conversion of high-polluting diesel buses in Southern California transit systems to clean-burning natural gas. A few years later I brought the Freeway Patrol free tow truck system to San Bernardino County.

Since you elected me to this board I have worked to:

- Add classes that enable students to get better jobs.
- Reduce students' textbooks costs.
- End unsafe practices that could cause huge lawsuits.

If they allowed longer statements here I could list a lot more.

I would appreciate your vote to let me solve some more problems for you.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 5
SAN BERNARDINO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

DAMON L. ALEXANDER
Retired Law Enforcement

Damon L Alexander, Th.M, MPA having spent nearly 30 years in law enforcement understands the transformative power of education. Mr. Alexander knows that educational pathways are a way forward and would like to assist in continuing to deliver competitive educational programs, so our students are prepared for the world stage.

- Mr. Alexander wants to promote opportunities for student success and wellness through full access to regional and global programs and promote comprehensive student support to achieve equity.
- He wants to foster innovative trades, promote creativity, as well as critical thinking through education focused on integrity, generosity, and accountability.
- Mr. Alexander wants to support student success with trades and apprenticeship pathways by achieving state and national certifications, degrees, and transfer programs preparing students for a thriving future.
- He has a Bachelor of Science from the University of LaVerne, he holds master's degrees in theology and public administration. He graduated from Harvard's University Leadership Institute and the United States Marine Corps Leadership Academy.

Finally, Mr. Alexander wants to build community partnerships to enhance student learning and success, thereby advancing the economic vitality of the family and the community. Vote for Damon L. Alexander, San Bernardino Community College District, Area 5.

CARLOS AGUILERA
Professor / Policy Leader

vote-carlos.com

As your next elected SBCCD Area 5 Trustee, I am committed to educational opportunities and economic development in the IE. Together, we can uplift our region and improve all residents' quality of life.

Rooted in the Community

Born and raised in the SBCCD area, my family is deeply rooted in this community. As a community college student, I experienced the transformative power of education. Being the first in my family to graduate college, I understand the challenges our community faces. Living in the San Bernardino Mountains, I envision a thriving region that provides accessible and affordable education.

Experience

I am a Professor at the University of Redlands, passionate leader, and advocate for good policies that empower students. I have a decade of public service experience and a background in public policy that equips me to promote effectively for resources. I have collaborated with leaders across all levels of government and will ensure SBCCD remains a pillar of educational excellence and economic advancement.

Vote Carlos

I believe we can meet students' needs and foster a thriving community, ensuring a brighter future. Serving my community as the Area 5 Trustee would be an honor. Thank you for your support!

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 3
VICTOR VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

CHAPPELLE M. GRIFFIN

Retired HS Principal / Educational Consultant

Dear Voters, I am writing to express my enthusiastic interest in serving on the Board of Trustees, Area 3, for Victor Valley Community College.

Since relocating to the High Desert in 2021, I've been deeply impressed by the vibrant, supportive community here. My relatively new perspective allows me to bring fresh ideas and innovative approaches to the table. I am eager to engage with fellow learners and contribute to our collective growth and success, drawing on the unique insights and experiences I've gained since moving here.

With a career dedicated to educational excellence, I am confident that my experience, academic background, and passion for lifelong learning make me a valuable candidate for this role. As a retired high school principal, I have spent over 20 years guiding students and educators towards academic and personal success. My tenure in education has equipped me with a deep understanding of the challenges and opportunities within our educational system. My role required effective leadership, strategic planning, and a commitment to fostering an environment where students and staff could thrive. These experiences have prepared me to contribute meaningfully to the governance of Victor Valley Community College.

Dr. Chappelle Griffin
Kappa Alpha Psi/Life Member

KEN BUCNIS

Engineering Project Manager

I'm running for Victor Valley College Board of Trustees because I believe in giving back to my community. My family first relocated to the High Desert in the 1970s, and we've had multiple generations live here since. I'm proud to say that I've stayed local, attending local schools, shopping at local businesses, and moving back to the community I grew up in after I attended University of California, Riverside.

I've been blessed to stay local, and our students across the High Desert deserve the same opportunity. For many, that starts with a community college district that works for them. High taxes and inflation have dramatically increased cost-of-living in the High Desert, and our students must be prepared to enter a competitive job market.

Victor Valley College needs to continue to expand its STEM and career technical education to give students more opportunities to get good, high-paying jobs without taking on unnecessary student loan debt. If elected, I plan to work with local businesses to make sure Victor Valley College is preparing students to be an asset to businesses across the High Desert.

It's a sad fact that too many of our students move away after graduating college. Let's build a community college district that helps students to stay here in the High Desert after graduation.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 5 (SHORT TERM)
VICTOR VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

STEPHEN TYRRELL
Engineering Manager

As a former U.S. Navy veteran and resident of Apple Valley, I am proud to use my experience as an executive in the mining industry and past president of the High Desert Manufactures Council and the Manufactures Council of the Inland Empire to benefit our High Desert students.

Victor Valley College plays a critical role in shaping our region's future. I am committed to expanding opportunities for all students, especially those pursuing Career Technical Education (CTE) and certificate programs, allowing them to start building their American Dream immediately.

Not every student aspires to a four-year degree, and Victor Valley College must provide robust, high-quality alternatives. With over 28 years in the mining industry, I understand the importance of practical, hands-on training for students aiming to enter the workforce swiftly.

It's also critical for the College to strengthen ties with local businesses to ensure programs meet their needs and provide students with real-world experiences and job placement opportunities, particularly in trades and the medical field. The High Desert urgently needs a trained medical workforce.

As your trustee, I will advocate for these initiatives, ensuring Victor Valley College remains a gateway to success for all students. I'm committed to doing what's right for our students, not political agendas.

LAURA KATHRYN DVARECKAS
Appointed Incumbent

I am an Apple Valley small business owner, trustee, and U.S. Air Force veteran who is dedicated to student success. I have over 15 years of experience working in education and understand the importance of quality college programs within our community. I believe that the opportunities students have at Victor Valley College can be life-changing and benefit us all. I know that as Victor Valley College grows, the community will need a devoted trustee who puts student success first and understands that the college must evolve to meet student needs.

As a Trustee, my goals are to build relationships with students and community members to better understand their needs, dedicate time to research items on which I will vote, and further my trustee education by seeking out learning opportunities. I have earned a Bachelor of Science in Human Resource Management, a Master of Arts in Education, Elementary Education, and a Master of Education in Early Childhood Education. I plan on furthering my education by earning a doctorate in educational technology. At my small businesses in Apple Valley, I take on administrative duties like managing staff and the budget, experiences that have been beneficial as a trustee.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 1
APPLE VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

ANITA TUCKER

Teacher

I am a proud, longtime resident of Apple Valley, having moved to the High Desert in 1964. My journey as a student in Apple Valley Unified School District culminated in my graduation from Apple Valley High School. My family and I have deep roots in this community, having raised our children here, all of whom graduated and pursued higher education.

With over 30 years of experience in the High Desert educational system, I have served as a classified employee, teacher, administrator, and university professor. My extensive background in education has provided me with a comprehensive understanding of the challenges, needs, and opportunities within our schools.

As your board member, I will:

- Advocate for student safety, ensuring every child has access to secure and supportive schools.
- Commit to providing our students with a high-quality education that prepares them for success in any path they choose.
- Promote transparency and fiscal responsibility, ensuring that our tax dollars are effectively used to benefit students.
- Focus on attracting and retaining exceptional teachers in every classroom to provide the best possible learning environment.

Our students need a voice and a strong advocate. Together, we can make a significant impact.

"Stronger Together"

GARY ARCE

Incumbent

It has been my honor to serve as a classroom teacher for the past 35 years, and to currently serve on the Apple Valley School Board. I am privileged to work with outstanding students, teachers and parents as we work together to help each student achieve the maximum potential.

Among the specific learning goals I want our students to continue to focus on are:

- Academic achievement scores in Language Arts, Math, and other core subjects that are at or above grade level
- The development of analytical thinking skills so that students can solve complex, real-world problems
- A thorough understanding and respect for our Constitution and American History.

Building on the positive relationships I have developed with students, staff, and the community, I am committed to providing our young people with all the tools they need to achieve these goals. I am convinced that the future remains bright with many opportunities for the students of this District to excel and achieve tremendous success. I am eager to continue to provide vision, academic support, and fiscal responsibility as we partner together to move our students forward into a tomorrow filled with hope. I would be honored to receive your support.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 3
APPLE VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

RENEE LONGSHORE
Retired Teacher / Parent

As a long-time resident of Apple Valley, a native of the high desert, and a retired teacher, my personal experiences drive my vision for the Apple Valley Unified School Board.

Having grown up in the Victor Valley and raised my four children here, I have been afforded a valuable perspective on the educational needs of our community and have witnessed firsthand the unique challenges and opportunities our local schools face. As a teacher of 22 years, my extensive background in education has equipped me with practical insights and a hands-on perspective that will help me advocate effectively for our students, parents, and teachers.

I believe in the power of collaboration between parents, educators, and the community to support our students and provide them with opportunities to become their best selves. Teachers need to be equipped with the necessary tools, working closely with families to create an environment where every student thrives.

If elected to the Apple Valley Unified School Board, I am dedicated to ensuring that every member of our district is heard and supported, as we strive to deliver the best possible education to the families we serve.

"Supporting Students, Engaging Families, Strengthening Schools"

GARY CHILDRESS
Grandfather

Age: 75

Parents and other voters, I am asking for your vote of support so I can represent your children as their school board trustee.

My wife, Sandy and I returned to California 10 years ago to watch our only child and daughter raise our only grandchild. In 2017 we lost our daughter to cancer. We are honored to be raising our now 6th grade granddaughter. I want the best education possible for her and your children that our school system can offer by:

- Reducing classroom sizes below 24 students.
- Using technology/media to have our best teachers present the lessons within each classroom. Freeing up teacher time for more individual instruction.
- Develop new ways to stimulate student interest in learning.

My 43-year professional career included being a television weather forecaster in Bakersfield, CA providing live forecasts to thousands who trusted me, a stockbroker (Texas), a real estate broker (Louisiana) and in the military (USAF).

Let me make this point clear: "I would represent your children, but I work for you and that parent/child relationship and trust comes first.

Thank you in advance if you offer your vote to me and consider mailing or dropping off your ballot early.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 3
BARSTOW UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

ANTHONY YSLAS
Retired

Age: 68

As a lifelong resident of Barstow, CA, I have had the privilege of experiencing the Barstow Unified School District from nearly every perspective: as a student and alumni, parent, grandparent, mentor, coach, employee, volunteer, and City of Barstow Council Member. While times have changed throughout these experiences, I can confidently say that the core mission of the Barstow Unified School District has remained steadfast: to provide a safe and nurturing environment while educating and equipping our children with the essential skills to thrive in the world. This mission is made possible by the dedication and hard work of both our certificated and classified employees. These committed professionals are the backbone of our school district, working tirelessly to ensure the success and well-being of every student.

I believe that my extensive experience and unwavering dedication to our community will be a valuable asset to the Barstow Unified School District Board of Trustees.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 1
CHINO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

JOHN ANDREW CERVANTES

Age: 57

Retired Police Officer

Chino Valley has been my home since 1990. My wife worked for the Chino Valley Unified School District for 20 years, and my son, who attended and graduated from Chino Valley Unified School District, is now an Assistant Principal.

I served as a Chino Police Officer since 2001. Throughout my career, I have been a DARE Officer and School Resource Officer, contributing significantly to community programs and safety initiatives. I developed emergency plans for Chino Valley Unified District schools and led educational forums for parents on critical issues such as substance abuse and online safety. I also organized the Chino Police Department Summer Youth Camp to mentor students and promote leadership. In addition, I have served the Chino American Little League as a baseball Manager, Coach, Board Member, and Vice President.

As a board member, my priorities will include:

- **Educational Excellence:** Prioritize fundamental skills such as reading, writing, and mathematics, along with the arts and vocational training.
- **Safety:** Ensure a secure campus environment conducive to student learning. Provide comprehensive training for administrators, certified, classified, and security personnel to enhance preparedness and response.
- **Transparency:** Encourage parent engagement by keeping them informed and involved in decision-making processes. Transparency fosters trust, accountability, and collaboration among all stakeholders.

On November 5th, I ask for your vote for Chino Valley Unified School District, Trustee Area 1. Visit cervantesforschoolboard.com for more information.

ERIC SHAMP

Age: 39

Youth Nonprofit Director

I am the endorsed candidate of the Association of Chino Teachers because I have dedicated my career to working with our most vulnerable young people: foster youth, low-income children, and those impacted by the juvenile justice system.

As a non-profit director I focus on addressing the educational and social inequities suffered by youth and young adults. I prepare students for the future and raise graduation rates, while balancing budgets and evaluating the effectiveness of programs.

I am running for the Chino Valley Unified School District Board because our community and our students deserve the highest degree of professional skill, positive leadership, and commitment to education.

On our school board I will make data-driven decisions to ensure all students can learn, grow, and feel safe - targeting resources for programs with the highest impact. Our campuses must also be free of bullying and racism. I will champion this work and set an example for civil discourse at the board level.

As a parent and your board member, I promise to always respectfully work with parents, teachers and staff. I will thoughtfully listen to, and address concerns from our diverse Chino Valley community.

I hope to earn your vote so we can collaborate now and prepare our students for the future.

www.EricShamp.com

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 2
CHINO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

BEAU MCFARLAND
Teacher

Age: 39

Public education works best when dedicated teachers and engaged parents work together to create a safe space for all children to learn. I know firsthand from my 16-year career in education and educational leadership that educators are the backbone of our community – and I'm married to one of them!

My wife and I are the proud products of California public schools, and I'm running for Chino Valley Unified School Board in Trustee Area 2 because our community needs our school board laser focused on quality education, fiscal responsibility, transparency and providing support to the dedicated individuals working directly with students every day.

For too long, our community's reputation has been damaged by legal battles that were paid for with taxpayer dollars meant for education going towards paying attorneys.

Running for any public office is a job interview, and my promise to the voters in Chino Valley is that as your trustee, I'll never prioritize pursuing lawsuits ahead of providing quality education to all our students.

My name is Beau McFarland, and I'm asking for your vote for Chino Valley Unified School Board in Trustee Area 2.

ANDREW CRUZ

Incumbent / Public Educator / Teacher Librarian

As a 25-year educator and CVUSD-student parent, I know our students are our top priority. The education our schools and dedicated parents provide is shaping our students to stand as pillars of our strong, vibrant community. We must make decisions that propel them forward with independence, confidence, and courage. Every child deserves support from parents, the education system, and the community to pursue their goals and secure a promising future. As your trustee, I will continue to prioritize every student's growth, safety, and success. As parents and community members, we must stand together, united by a clear vision—our students deserve the best!

My core principles include:

- Upholding parental involvement as an essential right.
- Standing against Newsom's AB1955 to protect the parent-child bond.
- Safeguarding female-only sports and privacy.
- Keeping critical race theory out of our classrooms.

I am committed to ensuring CVUSD remains an exemplary district, preparing students for college, careers, and military service. I pledge these crucial points:

- Excellence in our award-winning school district.
- Healthy and safe campuses.
- Thriving athletics, arts, marching bands, and activities.
- Fiscally responsible budgets with 23+ certifications.
- Teaching respect for our flag, seniors, and veterans.

May God continue to bless CVUSD!

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 5
CHINO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

JAMES NA

Chino Valley Unified School District Member, Governing Board

James Na's common-sense leadership is committed to providing the best education for all students in a safe learning environment while upholding parental rights.

As a small business owner and proud parent with a UCI economics degree, James Na understands that an award-winning school district lays the foundation for a better community. Under James Na's leadership, CVUSD schools earned an additional 2 Nation Blue Ribbon, 2 Golden Bell, and 16 California Distinguished School Awards. The CVUSD received the 2024 Inland Valley Daily Bulletin Readers' Choice Award for the best School district in the Inland Empire.

- Voted to oppose males in girls only athletic programs/locker rooms
- Voted to remove pornographic materials from school libraries
- Supported programs to combat bullies and drugs
- Balanced a \$300 million budget
- Supported music, art, sports, STEM, and Job training courses

James Na's leadership experiences include:

- Board Member – San Bernardino County Senior and Disabled Fund
- Vice President – Baldy View Regional Occupational Program
- President – Friends of the James Thalman Library
- President – GATE Parent Association

Parents, teachers, and students have Joined community leaders in supporting James Na.

Thank you for inviting your neighbors and friends to vote for James Na. (909)731-4128

BOBBY OMARI

Age: 33

Educational Software Designer

I am honored to be endorsed by the Associated Chino Teachers, since I personally benefited from incredible CVUSD teachers who encouraged me to grow and learn. I am a proud product of the Chino Valley Unified School District, and my wife and I are looking forward to raising our family here in this community that we both love and grew up in.

At Chino Hills High School, my teachers helped me launch the Computer Club, which inspired me to pursue my career in technology. Today, I design software that supports schools and helps local businesses with Americans Disability Act compliance.

I am running for school board to ensure students have even better opportunities for growth and education than I was afforded. On the board, I will collaborate with students, parents, educators, district staff, and community members to find innovative solutions and use academic best practices to prepare students for the workforce of tomorrow.

School safety, student support, parental involvement, and teacher retention & recruitment will be my top priorities. I will do the work it takes to ensure our students have the resources they need to thrive.

I have earned the endorsement of San Bernardino County Board of Education President Laura Mancha and Chino Valley Unified School Board Member Don Bridge. Please join them and vote Bobby Omari for School Board. For more info: bobbyomari.com

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 4
FONTANA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

DANIELLE HOLLEY Age: 41
Executive Director, Fontana Chamber of Commerce

JOSHUA MICHAEL CHRIST Age: 33
Teacher

I have dedicated my life to educational success, both in and out of the classroom. Being a member of the FUSD School Board will allow me to continue this mission. As a fourth generation Fontana resident, graduate of Fontana High School, Miss Fontana 2001, and teacher in FUSD, I couldn't be prouder to represent the city that has given so much to me. My diverse background includes 8 years as an educator in both the public and private school settings, Children's Ministry Director, 3 years of Public Works Contracting Administration, and now Executive Director of the Fontana Chamber of Commerce.

My platform is simple and is built on the foundation of collaboration and proactive measures. With a focus on inclusivity, innovation, and community engagement, we can build a brighter future for all.

- W- Working Together
- I- Improving Literacy & Math Skills
- N- Next Level Thinking
- S- Student Safety

When our students win, Fontana W.I.N.S.!

As your future school board member, my focus is ensuring student success, fostering key partnerships, and fiscal responsibility.

Endorsed by Supervisor Armendarez, Fontana School Board Members Perez and Armendarez, as well as Fontana Mayor Warren, Fontana Council Members Garcia, Cothran, and Roberts.

Holley4Fontana.com (909) 600-2188

I am seeking your vote for school board because I'm an educator committed to seeing our Fontana students succeed. I'm proudly endorsed by the Fontana Teachers Association, because I understand how public education based in equitable practices, celebrating diverse perspectives, and providing experiential learning prepares our students for their lives beyond Fontana Unified School District.

In my work as a technical theater teacher at Mt. San Antonio Community College, I have witnessed possibilities unlocked for students through intentional and rigorous career education opportunities. I will ensure that our students understand all post-graduation options, including career, community college, traditional universities, and trade schools. It is important that our students achieve the necessary skills of fundamental financial literacy, critical thinking, effective communication, and creative problem solving. Through these skills, students will successfully navigate the decisions they will be faced with in adulthood.

My statewide experience as a legislative liaison for community colleges, a career education advocate for the Academic Senate, a teacher working with Governor Gavin Newsom's office on the California Master Plan for Career Education, and elected board representative for the Community College Association, California Teachers Association, Mt. San Antonio College Faculty Association, and Faculty Association for California Community Colleges will help elevate Fontana's voice and presence as we work with statewide leaders to secure the resources needed to empower our students to be the best versions of themselves.

www.christ4fontana.com

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 1
HESPERIA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

MARIA T. GOMEZ
Board Member

It has been an honor to serve as a Hesperia Unified School District Board member for the past four years.

During my first term, we have achieved significant milestones, such as:

- Increasing career technical pathways to prepare students for post-high school opportunities.
- Expanded partnerships with Victor Valley College, enabling students to earn over 20,000 college credits last year.
- Starting the construction of a new performing arts and community center at Hesperia High School.
- Boosting parent involvement through the addition of community family liaisons at all schools.

Looking ahead, my priorities include:

- Ensuring the safety of our students and staff.
- Expanding real-world learning opportunities for post-high school success.
- Addressing the district's growing facility needs.
- Staying accessible to parents, community members, and staff.

As a mother and a dedicated educator for the past 25 years, I am committed to ensuring every student receives the support and education they need to thrive. Lets continue working together for our community's future.

I will be honored with your support in continuing to serve on the school board.

Contact me at (760) 998-5716, votemariagomez.com or "Maria Gomez Hesperia Board" on Facebook.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 4
HESPERIA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

MANNY LIN
Special Education Teacher

I believe public education is at a crossroads, and school board members must represent students and parents' voices, as classrooms should get back to focus on the fundamentals in reading, writing, and math.

As your next elected school board member, I will uphold parental rights over what is being taught, as resources should be dedicated to improve student learning as reflected in test scores to prepare our youth for a challenging future in a changing economy. I will advocate for a curriculum that includes best practices in order to make Hesperia schools to become high ranking.

Working in my 16th year in education and currently as a special education teacher in L.A. Unified, I have gained knowledge and experience on how to effectively engage and motivate students to achieve in order to excel in college and their careers, in addition to working with parents on their children's individual educational plans. As an immigrant from Taiwan from a hardworking family with a military background and a graduate of UCLA, I'd like to share a culture that places high value on education and work ethic with the appreciation for the freedoms and liberties as afforded in the Constitution of the United States.

MARTIAL HAPROV
Public Information Officer

Age: 39

I am incredibly fortunate to have grown up in the Hesperia Unified School District. My formative years were well spent, and now both my children attend school here. Like any concerned parent, I have stayed involved in their classrooms and gotten to know their teachers and curriculum. I'm asking for your vote and support because I think the best school board members are parents who want to see their children and their children's friends succeed.

I believe our district can do great things for our students. We must give our kids the best opportunities in the High Desert, including expanding vocational training, STEM programs, and partnering with local businesses for on-the-job training. This can only happen with school board members advocating for this path.

What you should know about me:

- I am passionate about the success of our kids.
- I want our kids to be safe, stable, secure, and ready to succeed.
- I want to know your concerns and your needs. I want to be your voice.

Let's do this together. Tell me how I can be your voice: 760-389-6084, Haprov.com, or "Martial Haprov for Hesperia School Board" on Facebook.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 1
MORONGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

KARALEE HARGROVE

Parent

As a dedicated parent, prior school board member and advocate for our children's future, I am excited to announce my candidacy for the school board. With a deep commitment to education accountability and transparency, I believe that every decision we make should prioritize the best interests of our students and ensure that our schools operate with the utmost integrity.

My experience as a parent and prior board member has given me firsthand insight into the challenges and opportunities within our educational system. I am passionate about fostering an environment where all students can thrive, and I am committed to holding our schools accountable for delivering high-quality education and equitable opportunities

Transparency is a cornerstone of effective governance. I pledge to promote open communication between the school board, parents, staff and the community, ensuring that decisions are made with clarity and that resources are used efficiently and responsibly.

Together, we can build a brighter future for our students by working collaboratively, prioritizing educational excellence, and maintaining the highest standards of transparency and accountability. I ask for your support in this important endeavor.

Your partner in education,
Karalee Hargrove

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 3
REDLANDS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

LAWRENCE PAUL HEBRON
Retired Teacher

I believe we can and must do better for our children. Once elected to the Redlands Unified School District Board of Trustees, I pledge to get more students performing at grade level. I will fight against the sexual predators in our schools and those who protect them. I will remove sexually graphic materials from our school libraries. I will work to create a politically neutral environment that concentrates on education, not indoctrination. And since I believe our schools exist to assist the parents-not to resist them, and certainly not to replace them-I vow to keep parents informed about all the matters that are important to their children's upbringing. In addition, I will embrace the same Biblical values that guided us throughout most of our history in order to re-establish respect and civility in our schools. Command experience in the Marine Corps, management experience as a business owner, three university degrees, including a Master's Degree in administration, and 23 years as a classroom teacher make me the right choice to engineer a better future for your children. Vote Hebron for our families and their students.

MELISSA AYALA-QUINTERO
Supervisor / Parent

Age: 40

My name is Melissa Ayala-Quintero. I am an RUSD parent and community member, and I am proud to be running for a second term on the Redlands School Board. My commitment to our students is driven by the belief that every student deserves to learn in an environment where they can thrive—regardless of race, faith, identity, or income.

Our schools should be sanctuaries of growth and opportunity, where students are not only educated but also supported and inspired. As a current parent of an RUSD student, I understand both the concerns of families and the challenges teachers face daily. I aim to represent all perspectives and ensure our schools are inclusive and respectful, producing excellent results.

I am committed to collaborating with parents, teachers, staff, and community leaders to recognize our students' potential and meet each child's unique needs. I am honored to have earned the endorsement of both the Teachers Union and the Support Staff Union.

Safety is my top priority. Everyone, from students to staff, should feel safe on our campuses. I have, and will continue to, advocate for effective measures to ensure our schools remain safe havens, where students can focus on learning and growing.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 4
REDLANDS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

ALEX VARA

Middle School Principal / CSUSB Professor

Age: 53

With three decades of experience as an educator spanning K-12, administration, and higher education I bring a unique perspective to the table.

As a middle school principal and a CSUSB professor, I've witnessed firsthand the transformative power of public education. As a parent of Citrus Valley High School graduates and a current student, I'm personally invested in our district's success. I pledge to continue upholding excellence, keep asking tough questions and demanding transparency. As a current school board member, I have worked hard to ensure that students are safe, and that teachers and parents are supported.

That is why we have made critical changes during my time on the board and hired a new Superintendent. With highly qualified teachers fostering rigor and student achievement, Redlands Unified stands as an educational beacon in the Inland Empire. Thanks to your unwavering support, our schools and community have garnered national and state recognition. From modernizing community infrastructure to enhancing the Redlands East Valley Stadium, we've made strides together.

Let's continue our journey, respecting and engaging all stakeholders. Together, we'll shape a brighter future for our children and our community. Thank you for your trust and support!

Vote Alex Vara for Redlands School Board

JEANNETTE WILSON

Licensed Clinical Social Worker

Redlands/Mentone has been my husband's and my home for 42 years. My granddaughter attended all grades in Redlands schools. I am active in our community. I attend and speak at school board meetings, put on family resource events, and volunteer for community projects.

I am running for Redlands Unified School Board to focus on students' academic achievements, ensure accountability and transparency to parents and community members and protect and defend parental rights.

I'm a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and have been a protector, educator and advocate of children and families for 44 years. I provided direct services and supervised interns at Family Resource Centers housed on RUSD campuses, built foster family agencies, taught college courses, and trained social workers and foster parents at state and national levels. I care deeply about ensuring safe, developmentally appropriate educational environments, free from sexual abuse and harassment.

As past director of 2 foster family agencies, I'm very knowledgeable about Child Abuse Reporting laws, foster youth needs, securing/monitoring contracts, ensuring fiscal responsibility and managing personnel. My passion and skillset shape my value as a board member.

I am requesting your vote so that together, we can bring about the needed changes.

Jwilson2024.com

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 5
REDLANDS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

VALERIE TABER

Licensed Therapist / Parent

Age: 31

As a mother, licensed therapist, graduate of our Redlands K-12 schools, and daughter of a family of educators, I am uniquely prepared to bring a fresh perspective to our school board. I care deeply about the well-being of our school district; not just the needs of teachers, parents, or students, but the community's needs as a whole.

As your board member, I will champion policies that keep our students safe and thriving, support our teachers and staff, and encourage family and community engagement in our schools. I will hold our district leaders accountable for abuse scandals that should never have been allowed to happen. And I will ensure that our limited school funds stay right here in Redlands, not wasted on lawsuits over harmful policies.

I have been endorsed by retiring Board member Jim O'Neill who currently holds this seat, and endorsed by the Redlands Teachers Association, making me the teachers' choice for school board in this election.

Please join me in ensuring that our public schools are a place of learning and support for students of all backgrounds and learning needs.

You can learn more about my platform and endorsements by visiting valerietaber4redlandsusd.com or visiting my Instagram [@valerietaber4redlandsusd](https://www.instagram.com/valerietaber4redlandsusd).

CANDY OLSON

Registered Nurse

My name is Candy Olson. I am a 22 year Redlands resident, a Christian, Registered Nurse, wife, and mother to 5 children who have each attended the Redlands Unified School District. I am running for the Redlands School Board Area 5 because I can no longer watch parental rights be eroded.

Schools both nationally and here locally, are facing tremendous challenges with a misguided focus on ideology instead of academics. I believe education should be free from personal agenda or political bias and children should be taught to be independent critical thinkers.

I will advocate for parental rights in all aspects of their children's care and will never support keeping secrets from parents. I will ensure parents are the cornerstone of their children's education.

As a nurse, I know how vitally important medical freedom is. If another pandemic should occur, I would advocate for parental choice in all areas including masking and new vaccinations.

I am profoundly committed to our children's education, their welfare, and understand the critical importance of parental involvement. I will be an accessible and responsive board member for all parents.

More information on my platform can be found at www.candyolsonrusd5.com

CAROLYN WILLIAMS

Educator

I am running for Redlands Unified School District, Member, Governing Board, Area 5 because I have been involved with education for over thirty years. I am a former Redlands teacher with a Master's degree in Education. I have two teaching credentials with knowledge in Elementary, Middle School, and High School curriculum. I am currently an Adjunct Professor at the University of Redlands teaching courses in the Education Department where I work hard to inspire future teachers. I have a passion for academic excellence in the Redlands' schools where I currently have several grandchildren attending. I pledge to be transparent at the school board level, and work hard to be a unifying voice between parents and teachers and to make academics a priority. My experience as president of the Redlands Scholarship Foundation and officer in the PTA has given me experience with a variety of budgets. I am endorsed by Redlands Education Support Professional Association. I would appreciate your vote.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 1
RIALTO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

MIRNA RUIZ

Parent Advocate / Legal Secretary

As a dedicated advocate for parents and students, I am running for the Rialto Unified School Board with the aim of enhancing parent involvement and strengthening community engagement. By working together, we can bridge gaps through increased parental participation and focused support. My top priorities include:

- Equipping all students for successful careers
- Establishing Wellness and Parent Centers at every school
- Ensuring the ongoing safety and well-being of students and staff
- Providing robust support for our dedicated teachers
- Advocating for students receiving special education services

By fostering a nurturing and inclusive environment, we can empower our students to reach their fullest potential. I believe that strong, collaborative partnerships between schools and families are essential for creating a brighter future for every student in Rialto Unified.

Create safe and secure learning environments is my foremost priority. I am committed to improving safety protocols to ensure that our schools are places where everyone can focus on learning and personal growth. Together, we can build a stronger, more connected Rialto Unified community. I humbly ask for your support and your vote to make these goals a reality for our schools.

Vote Mirna Ruiz for Rialto School Board

NANCY G. O'KELLEY

Rialto Unified School District, Governing Board Member

I am proud that I have been a Member of Rialto Unified School District for over 50 years. Prior to my election to the Board, I served the District as a teacher and administrator, retiring in 2011 as the proud principal of Eisenhower High School. My leadership at Eisenhower was instrumental in significantly increasing student achievement which led to the community honoring me with the dedication of "The Nancy G. O'Kelley Eisenhower High School Administration Building" in 2019.

Since I have been on the Board, the district has experienced significant achievement growth and has received numerous state and national awards. If reelected to the RUSD Board of Education I will continue to make decisions that are in the best interests of all of our students.

I will:

- Work to ensure that all students receive meaningful effective instruction through a variety of options
- Provide the resources to ensure that all students graduate high school being college and career ready
- Support the retention, training and job stability of our teachers
- Ensure district financial decisions are transparent and relevant

Put students first: Vote Nancy O'Kelley for Rialto School Board!

DAKIRA RICHARDSON WILLIAMS

Small Business Owner / Operator

As a dedicated wife and mother of two school-aged children and a long-time resident of Rialto, I am deeply committed to ensuring that every student in our district receives a high-quality, well-rounded education in a safe and nurturing environment, where teachers are equipped with the resources and support they need to inspire and educate effectively.

With a Bachelor's degree from Howard University and professional background in Federal Acquisition Regulations compliant subcontracting, project management, and public relations, I bring strong leadership, organizational, and problem-solving skills to this role.

My active involvement in the Rialto community, including roles on the PTA, Parent Advisory Committee, District Advisory Council, and as School Site Council president, has given me valuable insights into our district's needs and strengths. I am committed to advocating for policies that promote educational excellence, equity, academic enrichment, safety, and community engagement. I am dedicated to working collaboratively with educators, parents, and the community to enhance educational outcomes and prepare our students for success in a rapidly changing world.

Together, we can build a brighter future for every child in Rialto; I would be honored to have your support. Vote Dakira R. Williams for Rialto Unified School District Member, Governing Board, Area 1.

SCOTT SPARKS

Principal

Growing up in Rialto, I attended Kelley Elementary, Frisbie Jr. High, and graduated from Eisenhower High School. My journey came full circle as I taught at Morgan Elementary and served as a physical education teacher and coach at Eisenhower High School.

As a physical education and health committee member, I was dedicated to promoting student health. Later, as an Assistant Principal, I focused on campus safety, understanding that students learn best when they feel safe. Becoming the first alum principal at Eisenhower was a privilege. During my tenure, we increased graduation rates, improved state testing scores, and enhanced our career technical education programs. We added new manufacturing, engineering, child development, and health careers programs, providing students with vital skills for their futures. I hold a Doctorate in Educational Leadership, enabling me to advocate effectively for our students and educators. As a parent of five children who all graduated from Eisenhower High School, I am deeply invested in the success of our schools.

I am committed to building a brighter future for our students and our community. I humbly request your support in serving on the Rialto Board of Education. Together, we can continue to make a positive impact on our schools.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 2
RIALTO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

STEPHANIE E. LEWIS

Rialto RUSD, Member, Governing Board, Area 2

My name is Dr. Stephanie Lewis. I have been a proud resident of Rialto California, for over thirty years. I have raised my family here and dedicated my career as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner and Pediatric Mental Health Nurse Specialist to the health and wellness of children and families. My long-term commitment to our community and its values is unwavering. As the Rialto Unified School District Governing School Board Member, I will continue to ensure that the Rialto Unified School District delivers top-notch education in reading, math, science, technology, and creative arts to all students and continues with career, vocational training programs and college readiness. I have prioritized academic excellence, inclusive education for students, school safety, family engagement, and, most importantly, teachers' retention to prepare students for success. Together, as a community, we will continue to build an educational environment that fosters greatness in students and supports the development of exceptional teachers and staff. Vote for Dr. Stephanie Lewis. Academic Excellence, School Safety, Health and Wellness

JAMES M. MARTINEZ

Law Enforcement

Age: 53

I am running for school board to ensure our schools are safe for our children. As a Rialto native, husband, father, US Army veteran, and business owner, I am deeply committed to our community. The removal of School Resource Officers during the COVID-19 shutdown left students and teachers feeling unsafe for nearly four years. Now that there is an election they have been reinstated.

Our students need a secure environment to build a strong educational foundation. Many Rialto teachers have expressed concerns about campus safety. If teachers don't feel safe, students don't either. I promise to prioritize keeping our kids safe. As a law enforcement officer with school campus experience, I understand the issues firsthand.

Parents have reported an increase in bullying and violence at our schools. Good students suffer, and those with behavioral issues disrupt learning. This must change. My background as a father, law enforcement officer, and business owner equips me to address these challenges.

I am dedicated to maintaining safe campuses, supporting teachers, holding everyone accountable, and guiding disruptive students toward success. I have earned endorsements from the Rialto Education Association and the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

Vote for James Martinez! Kids learn better in safe schools.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 1
RIM OF THE WORLD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

DEVINA L. HORVATH
Environmental Geologist

Age: 39

Devina Horvath: A Voice for Our Schools

As a dedicated wife, mother, business owner, and scientist, I am honored to run for our school board. With my husband's career as a teacher and two children in our public schools, I deeply understand the importance of supporting our educators and investing in our schools.

I hope to empower teachers, parents, and students through representation that accounts for all stakeholders in our district. As the treasurer of Valley of Enchantment PTA, I know that responsible fiscal management is key to making the most of public funding, which is the lifeblood of our schools.

I'm running against a long-standing board member because I believe it's time for new ideas and fresh perspectives. While experience matters, innovation and a commitment to positive change are essential for addressing the challenges our schools face.

Together, we can build a brighter future for our community.

I humbly ask for your support and your vote.

Devina Horvath: A Proven Leader, A Dedicated Advocate

WILLIAM P. MELLINGER
Incumbent

Age: 71

I believe in doing all we can to provide the best possible education for all of our students. This means hiring and supporting the best educators and support staff. It also means providing the necessary tools and facilities to meet the needs of our students.

I strongly support the Rim of the World Unified School District bond on this ballot. We must secure our campuses, provide spaces conducive to study by adding air conditioning, air purification and the infrastructure to support these systems. Our facilities are over fifty years old and in need of significant improvement, including new roofs.

We must do all we can to support parental authority. Our educators, the staff, and administration are part of a team with the parents. While our state government is making laws that can usurp parent authority, I have advocated against those laws and in support of parents. I will continue to do this if reelected.

Being a small rural district is challenging financially. Nevertheless, I have worked to support our staff while maintaining a close watch on our finances. I will continue to do my best for the students, and staff of our district.

God bless you!

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 5
RIM OF THE WORLD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

JAMES G. WHITE

I am running for RIMSD School Board because I have my daughter attending CHE, so I have vested interest in the success of our schools, especially our students.

As a former Department of Corrections Teacher and I have seen first-hand what happens when families, Schools and Society fails our students. I have a passion for education. I have served on several Boards and Committees within our Mountain Communities, i.e. CHE Site Counsel, RIMSD SPAC/711 Committee, Board of Directors District 5 RIM of the World Rec and Park District and Chair of the Student Advisory Board RIMSD.

As a Retired State of California State Employee, I worked for Dept of Corrections Executive Management as Division head and Information Security Officer, School for the Deaf-Riverside, CALTRANS, Dept of Substance Control, Dept of Mental Health, Youth Authority.

- Make sure student is on path to graduate and educationally equipped for a successful life.
- Parents Deserve a Voice and Say in their children's Education.
- 70% of RIMSD Students are failing the California Standardized Testing.
- Pursue financial policies which provide a positive return on the investment in schools to parents and taxpayers.

Thank you for the support and please Vote for James G. White

JORDAN V. ZARATE

Incumbent

During my tenure, I have been committed to driving meaningful change within our district. Our efforts include expanding access to technology, increasing professional development, and enhancing mental health support for students to name a few. We have successfully implemented initiatives and programs that led to significant improvements in test scores and overall student well-being in recent years.

To ensure that our district's needs are met, I consistently advocate for our students at every level of government. As Board President, I successfully worked with legislators to author critical legislation that expands protections for districts impacted by snowstorms. Beyond the board, I bring expertise from my work with mental health and youth suicide prevention nonprofits. I recognize the importance of strong community support for students and use my experience as a board member of the Running Springs Area Chamber of Commerce to emphasize community relationships to enrich Rim students.

I am committed to continuing this momentum, addressing challenges we face, and ensuring that all Rim students achieve their full potential. I will continue to advocate for the resources, support, and improvements that our community deserves. Together, we have made great strides, and together we will continue to build a brighter Rim future.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD
SAN BERNARDINO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

FELICIA C. ALEXANDER

Corporate Executive and Appointed Incumbent

As a current member of the San Bernardino City Unified School District Board of Education, I am committed to providing the best education possible for all students. With over 30 years of work experience within the public and private sector, a bachelor's degree in Sociology, a master's degree in organizational development and leadership, and certifications in project management and systems engineering, I bring skills in leadership, money management, program planning, and resource development to the board. Both of my parents were educators and instilled in me an appreciation for lifelong learning along with a strong commitment to community involvement and service. I am deeply committed to the district's success because the children of this community, including my own grandchildren, attend our district schools. I support continued focus on academic achievement, career pathways and after-school programs to promote student success. I will continue to work with families and the certificated and classified staff to expand access to resources, improve graduation rates and ensure equity and an outstanding education for every student. Your vote will allow me to continue the momentum. Let's work together to create opportunity, success, and a bright future for every student in our community. For more information, feliciaalexander4sbcusd.org.

MIKKI CICHOCKI

Incumbent / Retired Teacher

I grew up in San Bernardino and followed my parents into teaching in SBCUSD. As a program specialist, I worked to keep at-risk students on the path to college and career. As your board member, I've continued to support this vital work. I helped create our Student Board Member program to enhance student voice and inclusion. Student mental health and physical safety continue to be a high priority for me. I'm known for my ability to work collaboratively with our community, administration, teachers, and staff. I currently represent SBCUSD as a delegate to the California School Boards Association. When my daughter was in school, I served on PTA and school site councils. If re-elected, my goals are to:

- Support the District mission to ensure that each student has the skills, resilience and determination to create their path and thrive in school, career and life
- Enhance access to science, technology, and fine arts
- Ensure accountability and fiscal responsibility
- Provide students and staff with safe and welcoming schools

Every student deserves access to the best schools. It is our job to provide them. I ask for your vote to help me continue to move our community and schools forward.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 3
SILVER VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

RICKY WOOD

Age: 63

Production Shop Planner

I graduated from Weber State University with an AS in Electronics Technology and a BS in Logistics Management. In my 37 years of federal employment, I have served with all branches of our US Military. I am currently employed at the Marine Corps Maintenance Center in Yermo. I developed and instructed the STEM/Robotics/Coding Club at Yermo School last year. I am married with 3 sons, the youngest of which graduated from Silver Valley High. I also have six wonderful grandchildren. One of which currently attends Yermo school.

I have always been an advocate of public education and have a strong desire to make improvements.

My primary focus, if elected:

Improve communication with the community, to include personal town hall meetings with the public and parents.

Develop and implement a more robust, rewarding and active volunteer program.

Improve current STEAM courses and offer more opportunities including robotics and coding.

Implement a diesel mechanic shop class which would provide excellent job opportunities at the Barstow Marine Corps Maintenance Center, Fort Irwin and BNSF.

Standardize parent/student forms so that they may be completed and submitted online.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 2
SNOWLINE JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

COREY LAFEVER
Law Enforcement

As a father of four girls, and having a background in law enforcement, Corey LaFever is focused on safety, education, mutual respect and accountability. He believes a safe learning environment for students and staff is crucial to creating the school environment our students deserve. Corey LaFever promotes an all-hands-on-deck approach in the community to provide the best education for all students. It has been said, "it takes a village to raise a child." As a Tri-Community, we must come together to help our students learn to respect others, build upon their talents, and help create new skills for their success. Corey and his wife Erin, were raised by this "village" and have chosen to raise their own family here as well. As a school board member, Corey LaFever will strive to have an open mind and provide a listening ear for the students and taxpayers he'll be elected to represent. He will strive to bridge the gap between community members and administration to make a difference. It is Corey's goal to provide the necessary education for Snowline students to be the highest functioning citizens. May we come together to build relationships of trust to help our students reach their potential.

JENNIFER RADER
Teacher

Greetings! My name is Jennifer Rader, and I have been a teacher for 34 years, 30 of those years in the high desert region. I am the mother of two children who came up through the Snowline Joint Unified School District, and are successful and productive citizens, due in part to the excellent education they received through SJUSD. I understand clearly what it means to be a trustee of a school district, and I have a sincere desire to work hard improving conditions for the students, families, and employees of the SJUSD. This is my first foray into public office, and I have no aspirations past our local community. If I can earn your trust and your vote, I will serve the community faithfully. If elected, my role will involve facilitating open communication channels among the superintendent, the school board, and the community. Focusing on student wellness is also a priority. I am dedicated to advocating for programs that foster more than just academic achievement. These programs will support the overall wellbeing of our students. This includes providing mental health resources and offering a range of extra curricular activities. Together we can tackle the challenges facing our schools.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA A
UPLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

JACK YOUNG

Upland School Board President / Educator

We build our future through our schools, so they need to have the right tools to do their job. As your school board member, I promote policies which remove obstacles to student achievement. I will continue to work in partnership with parents, teachers, and staff to give schools the personnel and materials necessary for students to develop the skills they need. This means having safe, healthy classrooms with the technology needed for modern teaching, having students who know there will be zero tolerance for unacceptable behavior, and supporting the kinds of prevention programs which help scholars stay on the right track.

I have been an educator for 40 years, married for 34 years, and am a long time Upland resident. My daughter went through the Upland school system and graduated from UHS. My family values the Upland community and schools. We are PTA members and support many school and community groups. Our family volunteers and takes part in community events. Experience counts, and as a parent and educator, I need your vote to help Upland schools. Thank you.

Visit www.jackyoung4uplandschools.com

ROBERT H. BENNETT, LCSW, ACSW

Senior Adjunct Professor

I am asking for your vote on 11/05/2024:

I have lived in Upland and San Antonio Heights for the past 40 years and worked in County government for 35 years.

I belong to the PTA for both Pepper Tree and Valencia Elementary schools. I have always encouraged vocational training/education, while also encouraging students who wish to pursue higher education. I believe children need a well-rounded education, including the arts, music, theatre, science and sports. As a Licensed Clinical Social Worker, I understand the value of treating families in whatever circumstances they find themselves and insuring children have what they need physically, emotionally and psychologically in order to succeed.

I am a Senior Adjunct Professor at Azusa Pacific University, a current member of the Upland School Attendance Review Board (SARB) and a County Committee member for San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools. As a Governing Board member, I ensured that we had a balanced budget despite decreasing enrollment; our graduation rates improved; we were able to increase funding for mental health services and improved vocational training/opportunities. I voted to reduce unnecessary expenses such as ineffective walkie-talkie systems and have reduced electrical costs by utilizing zero percent financing for solar electric projects.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 1
VICTOR VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

KEN LARSON

School Administrator / Parent

As a 40-year resident of the high school district area, a past member of the high school district board and the county school board and as an educator I have seen many changes in our town and in education.

One of the largest changes is the reduction, and sometimes removal of parent and student rights as well as the deeply concerning changes in how we are educating our children.

I have demonstrated in the past my advocacy for parents and students and for educating our students for the future.

You, our parents, need an advocate on the board. Your children, our students, need an advocate on the board and all parties involved in educating our children need to be held accountable for the job we have entrusted to them.

"Our children are our future" is not just a feel-good line to get votes. It is a cold, hard, fact. I know that we must educate our children to have a future.

I would appreciate your vote and the privilege of being your representative on the Victor Valley Union High School District Board representing your students and you as parents.

Please allow me this privilege. Thank you. Ken Larson

KYLE HOVANNESIAN

Yale University Undergraduate

The time has come to pass the torch to a new generation of public servants, and this election is our chance to elect a passionate voice who will fight for our community.

I was born and raised in Victorville, and I'm a proud graduate of Victor Valley High School. I was elected and served as the first student board member in our school district's history. As an elected senator at my university, I worked to upgrade water systems in dorms, organized a referendum to democratize the board of trustees, and passed a bill providing monetary aid to low-income students. I have tutored high school and college students, interned at city hall, and, most recently, taught English abroad.

If elected, my priorities include:

- Improving school safety
- Maintaining fiscal responsibility
- Increasing student proficiency in literacy and math
- Preparing students to succeed in the 21st century
- Ensuring transparent decision-making

We need a representative who has a deep understanding of the modern challenges our students face. I am endorsed by parents, teachers, staff, and students, and we all agree - it's time for the next generation to have a seat at the table.

If you agree, vote Kyle Hovannesian! Thank you.

BARBARA JAMES DEW

Board Member

It is my honor to represent you at Victor Valley Union High School. I am a graduate on the front line of education deeply committed to student high quality education in a safe environment.

Commitment

- Safety, clean environment teaching – learning
- provide equity pathways to student achievement and success
- increase graduations college or career ready

Accomplishments

• saved taxpayers \$10 mil Cobalt, \$2 mil Silverado and \$130 million Consolidation dollars

- Retired Victor Elementary Teacher (32 years)
- 10 year Moderation Plan - Adelanto High - Lakeview - CIM - Silverado Sports Complex –
- Career Center - Hook - Victor High - Virtual Academy
- opened Larea 7-8 School

Governing Experience & Qualification/ 28 years

Local - Victory Valley High School District - President - Vice President – Clerk, County - former San Bernardino County Board Association (Vice President)/ SANDABS, Committee-(county-state-federal) /Boardmanship Committee (trainer)presently, State - CSBA California School Board Association Delegate Assembly Member (Planning Conf Committee / Legislative Committee (presently) Federal - Coast to Coast Advocacy Group

Awards

CAAASA School Board Member Of The Year 2020 CTA Gold Award Theodore Bass Award Teacher in Politics Community Leader Honoree 2023-Senator Scott Wilk

Graduate Victor Valley High School, Victor Valley College, University California Riverside, Master Of Boardmanship Training (CSBA/Cal State San Bern) *resident over 60 years

Vote Barbara James Dew

JACKIE ROCHA

Retired District Secretary

Age: 62

As a lifetime community member, born and raised in the Victor Valley, I attended our local schools and graduated from our district in 1979. I grew up as a child of a district teacher, my children attended and my granddchildren currently attend our district schools. I am personally and professionally committed to the success of our students.

I was employed in the Victor Valley Union High School District for 38 years (retired 2022). I held the position of Assistant to the Superintendent, which also serves as the Board liaison, for the last 18 years. I continue to support the district as a classified substitute.

My deep roots in the community and knowledge of district policies and procedures provide me with a qualified understanding of the school board's role and processes. My experience working alongside teachers, classified, management, and the Board allows me to make informed decisions in the best interest of students while keeping in mind the needs of all of our stakeholders.

My primary goal is to ensure our district provides a safe learning environment where all students receive a high quality education In order to successfully transition to college, vocational school, the workforce or military upon graduation.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 1
ADELANTO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

CHRISTINE TURNER
Incumbent

My name is Christine Turner. I'm seeking re-election to the Adelanto Elementary School Board of Education.

I'm deeply passionate about ensuring every child receives a safe and exceptional education. Education plays a vital role in children's development. The support they receive from teachers and parents significantly impacts their future.

In the past ten months, the board has ushered in substantial transformations within the Superintendent's office and Executive Cabinet, fostering a positive and secure educational environment for our students and staff. Enlisting top-tier educators and skilled personnel, we are equipping students and teachers with necessary resources to excel, while upholding the district's financial stability. There are many challenges in the city of Adelanto, both at home and school. We are not perfect but are a passionate team of professionals who are dedicated and committed to overcoming those challenges.

As your School Board Member, I am straightforward in championing the students of AESD with resolve dedication. I remain resolute in cultivating a nurture atmosphere where every student can thrive and realize their full potential.

Your Vote is Your Voice. Entrusting me with your support means a continued commitment to serving you with honesty, transparency, and integrity.

Let's make a difference together – Vote4me!

MICHAEL M. KRAUSE
Superintendent

Age: 48

As your next elected member of the Board of Trustees of the Adelanto ESD, my twenty-four years in education, starting as a substitute teacher and cumulating with being an award-winning Superintendent, as well as being a state recognized Chief Business Officer for several school districts, will enable me to work with our community, parents, students and staff to ensure all students get the very best education they deserve. My background as a school district administrator, as well as having sat on many boards in my career, enable me to work effectively for the community and work well with other elected officials. My time in the military and now as a proud disabled veteran, has also shaped me into being well suited to represent our school community by honing my leadership skills and building those relationships necessary to ensure success.

Qualifications

- Twenty-Four years in K-12 Education
- Bachelors in Finance and Economics
- Masters in Management and Human Resources
- Masters in Educational Leadership
- Graduate, USC Urban Superintendents Academy
- Graduate, CSBA Masters in Governance for School Board Members
- Accepted into the doctoral program for Educational Leadership

Thank you for your support! Please vote for Michael M. Krause!

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 2
ALTA LOMA SCHOOL DISTRICT**

JESSICA D. MARTINEZ Age: 41
Alta Loma School District Member, Governing Board Area 2

I have been honored to serve as your Area 2 representative on the Alta Loma School Board. I came to the Board as a parent, concerned with many of the important matters in our schools that have a long lasting impact on our children.

As a parent of two children, I am passionate about education and strong partnerships between parents and the school. As your Trustee, I will continue humbly serving our families and students by prioritizing educational outcomes for all students, safety, transparency, and ensuring that our tax dollars directly benefit our students in the classroom.

I will continue to advocate for accountability, transparency, student safety such as crossing guards, parent choice and that education dollars are used for the direct support of our teachers which in turn will benefit children in Alta Loma. I invite you to reach out to me with any questions and/or share your vision of the District with me.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the students and families in our community. It would be a privilege and honor to continue serving as your Trustee. I humbly ask for your vote this November.

jessicamartinez@alsd.org

DAVID J. ROBERTS
Retired Educator

I am running for a seat on the Alta Loma School Board to bring my 37 years of hands-on experience in education and my proven track record of 12.5 years as a Board Member. As a retired teacher and principal, I have dedicated my career to improving educational opportunities through updated technology, enhanced curriculum, and best teaching strategies.

I believe in creating positive learning environments that maximize student achievement and staff morale. Our school community must commit to excellence, focusing on people, both big and small, as the centerpiece of our educational process. continuous improvement in our curriculum, addressing the needs of the future, and embracing research-based practices are vital for student success.

Facing current challenge such as state budget deficits, reduced funding, and declining enrollment, I am committed to working with all the stakeholders to fine satisfactory solutions. I believe that open, honest discussion and collaboration are key to problem-solving and setting a positive direction for the future.

My extensive experience, insight, and knowledge will allow me to make a valuable contributions to the Alta Loma School Board. Your support is crucial as we work together to improve our excellent schools.

Thank you for your vote and support.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 2
CUCAMONGA SCHOOL DISTRICT**

ERIC DEAN MONTAGUE

Teacher

My name is Eric Montague. My wife and I have proudly called Rancho Cucamonga home for 30 years, and our four children have thrived in the Cucamonga School District. I have been honored to serve on the School Board for 16 years.

With 30 years of experience teaching high school Spanish in our community, and as part of a Hispanic family, I am deeply committed to cultural diversity. My background equips me with a strong understanding of the challenges faced by students, parents, and staff. I also bring extensive experience in leadership, clerical, and financial matters.

I have played a crucial role in modernizing our campuses, making them world class facilities, and aligning our vision with college and career success for our students in the 21st century and beyond. We have integrated the state-recognized IMSE Orton-Gillingham Structured Literacy Program in reading and expanded after-school opportunities for students.

I am dedicated to integrity and honesty, prioritizing our students' needs above all else. I am committed to enhancing parental involvement and maintaining strong, decisive leadership in the Cucamonga School District. Your support will help me continue to make a positive impact on our children's education.

SHARON LYN STEIN

Professor / Board Member for Therapy Programs

It would be an honor to serve as a member of Governing Board 2, for the Cucamonga School District. I have lived in Rancho Cucamonga for the past 22 years. I have been a professor at a local university and earned my Doctorate Degree in Education in 2009. I am a 13-year special needs board member for a local children and adults' therapy. My objective is to emphasize parental rights, as parents are the primary educators regarding values for their children. Our educational system should not replace a parent's role, but rather support, build and align with the child toward confidence and success, to be future members of their communities.

My support regards the successful involvement with school safety, future educational readiness, transparency and accountability. We need to pursue a goal toward above average success for all students. Right now, students are reading below grade level. I look forward to meeting the students, sharing my vision and energy with them, so they too can see their utmost potential for their future. We do not need more of the same. I will work hard for the district. My goal is to improve the educational outcomes for all students.

Professor

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**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 2
ETIWANDA SCHOOL DISTRICT**

APRIL MCALLASTER

As an incumbent candidate for the school board, I am deeply committed to our community. As a parent raising my children within this district, I understand firsthand the importance of quality education. My involvement in the PTA, School Site Council and as a LCAP Parent Rep, allowed me to advocate for students, parents, and teachers alike. Additionally, my volunteer work within the community has given me valuable insights into the needs and aspirations of our residents. I am dedicated to fostering a positive learning environment, supporting our educators, and ensuring that every student thrives. Let's continue building academic excellence together!

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD AREA 5
ETIWANDA SCHOOL DISTRICT**

CATHLINE FORT

Etiwanda School District Board Member, Former

I've served as your Etiwanda School Board Member and California School Board Association Member, ensuring student success and representing our District at County and State levels. My priorities are:

Improve Student Achievement: Implement evidence-based strategies to boost academic performance.

Promote Opportunity: Ensure all students have access to quality education, resources, and opportunities.

Strengthen Community Involvement: Foster stronger partnerships between families, the community and schools.

Enhance Student Support Services: Expand counseling and mental health services to support student well-being.

Ensure Campus Safety: Affirm adequate safety and security measures are in place to protect students and staff.

With a commitment to excellence and passion for student success, I am eager to ensure District successes continue. Together, we assure bright futures for all students.

Endorsed by Board Member Matt Gordon, Mayor Acquanetta Warren, and County Supervisor Armendarez.

ANWAR ABDUL-RAHMAN

Age: 42

Educator / Business Owner

I am Anwar Abdul-Rahman, running for the ESD Board Trustee Area 5 open seat. The election is November 5th, and your vote matters. I'm a devoted husband, father of two future ESD students, volunteer coach, and committed community member who helps at local non-profits.

Having attended K-12 schools in the IE, I understand our community's needs and goals. After graduating from Columbia University, I dedicated my career to education, first as a teacher, then as a principal. As an award-winning principal, I turned an underperforming school into a model of success in one year. Now, I run a learning center in Rancho Cucamonga and an education consulting business, working with two 2024 California Distinguished Schools. My experience as a K-8 educator will add value to the Etiwanda School Board.

Schools should inspire students to achieve greatness and help our community. They must also be safe places for all. My priorities are supporting academic excellence, increasing parental rights, and fostering community partnerships to help ESD meet these goals.

For more about my candidacy, visit www.anwarforetiwanda.com. I am running to be your partner in Academic Excellence. Your vote will help shape a bright future for our children and community.

KASSANDRA DOROTHY WILSON

Educator / Parent / Pediatric Nurse

I am Cassandra Wilson, an educator, wife, mother, 15-year Rancho Cucamonga resident, and nursing professor. As an elected delegate for San Bernardino County, my focus is on fiscal responsibility, ethical standards, and transparency. My experience as an educator, parent, and volunteer gives me a deep understanding of the daily challenges faced by students, teachers, and parents. I believe in being open and accessible and will work collaboratively with all stakeholders to positively impact education.

Currently, I serve on a local university's school of education advisory board and have been invited to join an ROP program advisory board. Parents have elected me to represent them on the School Site Council and as AAPAC President for three consecutive years.

My MBA has been vital in my roles on the LCAP Budget Committee, WASC Accreditation, and PTA. I won the district Community Service Award in 2021. Under my leadership, we doubled students' concurrent enrollment with Chaffey College and expanded trade opportunities at graduation. I have also enhanced academic rigor, increased counseling services, and provided mental health support to address challenges and reduce recidivism.

I am proud to have the endorsement of local teachers, pastors, nurses, and parents. Vote for Professor Cassandra Wilson!

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, GOVERNING BOARD
HELENDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

HEATHER ALLGOOD
Incumbent

Age: 50

As your incumbent school board member, I bring 22 years of commitment to our community and a deep passion for education. I have proudly served on our board for eight years, during which I've championed mental health and special education initiatives. I believe that every child deserves the support they need to thrive, and I've seen firsthand how targeted assistance can transform lives.

In addition to my local efforts, I've represented our district at the California Delegate Assembly for the past four years, advocating for policies that benefit our students and staff on a state level. My advocacy extends to Washington, D.C., where I've worked tirelessly to influence federal education policies that impact our schools.

I chose to raise my children here because I believe in our community's values. My dedication to our children's success and support for our staff is unwavering. Together, we can ensure every student receives the opportunities and resources they need to reach their full potential. I am committed to continuing this vital work for our community, the Helendale School District staff, and most importantly, our students. They are our future, and I am determined to provide them with the support they need to thrive.

JEFFREY DOUGLAS KAYE
Incumbent / LCSW

I am excited to announce my candidacy for re-election to the Helendale School District Board of Trustees. Since my election two years ago it has been my honor to serve our community, and to work alongside my fellow board members, our dedicated administrators, our great educators, our wonderful classified staff, our students and parents.

During my tenure as a board member, working as a team with my fellow board members, we have been able to accomplish many things:

- The building of new classrooms at the elementary school
- State test scores went up huge percentages
- We have created a mental health clinician position
- A higher percentage of our students are passing their classes than any other time in the last four years
- Applying for and receiving numerous grant/awards including \$562,000 for the Golden State pathways grant and \$85,000 from the Career Technical Education grant

With your support we can continue to build a bright future for all our students. Together we can continue to make a difference.

Together, let's re-elect Jeffrey Kaye to the Helendale School District Board of Trustees.

JEREMY RONALD SILVER
Small Business Owner

Age: 28

I feel blessed to call Helendale my home, and I am deeply committed to our community's future. My wife is a dedicated teacher at A.C.E. & R.M.S., and we have two daughters, one of whom attends Helendale Elementary School.

As a local business owner, I enjoy the privilege of serving our community in various ways, and I am eager to extend this commitment by ensuring every child in our district receives the best possible education. I believe in fostering an environment where educators are treated fairly, respected, and inspired in their work.

My vision for Helendale include schools where students thrive, educators feel valued, and our community grows stronger together. I recognize the vital role of sports in promoting teamwork, discipline, and school spirit. I want Helendale to be a place where families feel proud and confident in the education their children receive. By focusing on academic excellence, supporting our teachers, encouraging community involvement, and enhancing our sports programs, we can create a successful educational environment.

I respectfully ask for your support and vote in the upcoming election. Together, we can build a brighter future for our children and community.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR ASSESSOR / RECORDER (SHORT TERM)
SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY**

JOSIE GONZALES

Veterans / Taxpayer Advocate

After years as a Councilmember and County Supervisor, I know what it takes to solve big challenges. I'm running for San Bernardino County Assessor to make housing more affordable for every San Bernardino County resident, and I've got a plan to make it happen.

During my time as a County Supervisor, we took on big issues and solved them. In fact, at one point we even managed to end Veteran homelessness in San Bernardino County.

"Josie Gonzales dedicated herself to ending Veteran homelessness during her time as County Supervisor. Our Vets know that Josie will always fight for them." -United States Marine Corps Col. Paul Cook (Ret.)

As your next County Assessor, I have a comprehensive plan to reduce the cost of living for every San Bernardino County resident. That means aggressively protecting Proposition 13 to immediately reduce property taxes for everyone up to \$1,000 per year.

"Families must prioritize basic needs and choose between gas and groceries. As a Realtor, I know that Josie's plan helps residents keep their hard-earned money. Reducing property taxes will make a big difference." – San Bernardino County Supervisor Jesse Armendarez

Endorsed by: Sheriff Shannon Dicus, San Bernardino County's Deputy Sheriffs, Supervisor Dawn Rowe, Supervisor Curt Hagman, San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools Dr. Ted Alejandre, and California Treasurer Fiona Ma.

I will serve with integrity and honesty to ensure that all properties are assessed at their true market value.

JosieForAssessor.com

DARA SMITH

Deputy County Assessor

Age: 49

Supported by the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association, California assessors, veterans, and firefighters/first responders, Dara Smith is the Best Choice for Assessor/Recorder.

I bring 25 years of fiscal and appraisal experience, managing \$2 trillion in property valuations, leading 1,400 employees, and balanced \$2 billion budgets. I hold an Accounting degree and advanced Auditor-Appraiser certificate from the State of California.

Currently serving as Deputy Assessor for the largest assessment agency in the nation, I'm uniquely qualified for this role.

My proven track record and priorities are clear:

- Save on Property Taxes – In 2024, I delivered \$836 million in tax relief: \$9.3 million for disabled veterans; \$65 million for homeowners; and \$762 million for schools, churches, and non-profits.
- Uphold Proposition 13 – Advocate for the protection of seniors, veterans, homeowners, small businesses, and renters' interests.
- Ensure funding for vital local services – Firefighters, schools, and parks.

I'll ensure fair and equitable assessments, transparency and innovative solutions to make public education and outreach clear and accessible to all.

My spouse, a military veteran and dedicated public safety officer in San Bernardino County and I, raised our family here and are long-time residents of this community. I'll advocate for working families and taxpayers.

Dara Smith
909-833-8880
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**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF ADELANTO**

STEEVONNA EVANS

As a dedicated wife and mother of four, small business owner, and a passionate community advocate, I approach issues pragmatically with fiscal responsibility. I help families secure their financial future by implementing appropriate life insurance plans, through my company Liberated Money Movement. In memory of my late daughter, I founded Haven's Future, which supports families affected by Children and Family Services.

In 2018, I had the honor of being elected to the Adelanto City Council, in which I successfully led the effort to remove an ordinance that negatively impacted landlords and renters alike. I effectively collaborated with residents to create a robust plan, ensuring proper oversight of the Cannabis industry in our city. I advocated for policies that fostered positive engagement between officers and the residents that they protect and serve, which were subsequently implemented by our Sheriff's Department. Additionally, I founded the Adelanto Water Justice Coalition, which independently tested water samples, recommending nine actionable solutions to the council to improve our water quality.

As your council member, I will continue to be the voice of all, advocating for fairness, transparency, progress, and prosperity. Together, we can build a better Adelanto and I am eager to serve you once again.

JOY JEANNETTE

Incumbent

It has been my honor to serve the residents of Adelanto. I have brought to our City Relay for Life, Super Scouts, Food Shares serving over 13,000 individuals. 2 new parks, Corky & Friends Dog Park. My 1st Council Meeting, I put on record the call for an audit of the entire city of Adelanto. The Silent Majority-Residents on Patrol was formed due to excessive fireworks, graffiti and illegal dumping. I support Adelanto Little League, Elite Soccer, All Family Events at our Adelanto Stadium, and enjoy reading to classes in our Adelanto Schools. I love Adelanto and our residents. My strengths are in Business, Organizational Management (reconstructing Corporations) and programs.

As past Vice Chairman and current Board Member of Victor Valley Transit Authority, Board Member Mojave Desert and Mountain Recycling Authority, Founder of National Spirit of Freedom Veterans 1st, Kicks Kafe Senior Club.

I pledge to:

- Eliminate wasteful spending
- Require a Sustainable budget
- Develop 395 Businesses, fix roads
- Defend our Constitutional Rights

I am Joy Jeannette Your Voice Your Choice 805-734-7945

DANIEL J. RAMOS

Age: 44

Mayor Pro Tem

As Mayor Pro Tem of Adelanto, continuing to attract high-paying jobs to our city is crucial for sustainable growth. By promoting more economic development, we can create new opportunities for our residents and strengthen our local economy.

As a Navy Veteran, I will continue to prioritize public safety and support our law enforcement agencies and first responders for a safer Adelanto.

Improving our infrastructure is essential for our future. I will continue to be a strong voice for Adelanto in organizations that can help fix our roads, enhance public transportation, and add to the four linear miles of roads that were repaved during my term.

As a member of the Energy & Environment Committee, I'm dedicated to creating more parks for our residents in addition to the two that are currently under design.

Education equals a brighter future. I will continue to work with our educational partners so that every child in Adelanto has access to higher education. Which is why I created the Cannabis Scholarship as a pathway to higher learning.

Together, we can build a better Adelanto. Vote for more progress, and a brighter future for our city. I respectfully request your vote on November 5th 2024

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MAYOR
TOWN OF APPLE VALLEY**

SCOTT NASSIF

Age: 68

Business Owner / Mayor

As an Apple Valley small business owner for the past 48 years, I've witnessed tremendous progress within our community, but I also believe that many opportunities lie ahead. For the past 22 years, you've trusted me to represent your values on the Town Council, and once again, I humbly ask for your vote this election.

I chose to raise my children with my wife, Susan, in Apple Valley because of our community's unique character, and I want to preserve that way of life. If I'm re-elected, I'm committed to:

- Adding Deputies and Strengthening law enforcement programs in Apple Valley
- Continue fiscal responsibility and transparency
- Enhancing our road infrastructure
- Continue to expand activities for our youth
- Attract more living-wage jobs

I'm also dedicated to reducing the cost of living in our Town, which is why we must work to lower the burden of high utility costs. Our residents shouldn't have to choose between paying their water, or electric bill and putting food on the table.

I'd be honored to have your support on November 5th. Please visit ScottNassif.com to learn more about my candidacy and vision for our Town.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, TOWN COUNCIL DISTRICT 1
TOWN OF APPLE VALLEY**

LARRY CUSACK
Business Owner

I have been privileged to serve on the Town Council since 2012. During this time, we have been able to accomplish amazing things such as the completion of the Yucca Loma Bridge, and the annexation of the I-15 corridor and more. We also have some new and exciting projects on the horizon such as Brightline train, Love's Travel Stop, and several retail store fronts.

I have worked with local leaders to balance our budget without cutting vital services like Public Safety. Apple Valley has been consistently recognized as one of the best places to live in the High Desert, and I'm honored to have the endorsements of my peers on the Town Council as we continue to make our community a better place to live, work and play.

I was born at St. Mary Hospital and raised my family here. My grandchildren and great grandchildren call our Town home. I believe it is my legacy and responsibility to leave a better Apple Valley for future generations. We still have a great deal of work ahead of us. With your support, I'll keep fighting to preserve our "Better Way of Life."

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, TOWN COUNCIL DISTRICT 2
TOWN OF APPLE VALLEY**

ART BISHOP

Retired Fire Chief / Council Member

I am proud to be a 35-year resident of Apple Valley, where my wife, Kathleen, and I raised our family. After serving as Fire Chief of the Apple Valley Fire Protection District, I decided to retire and continue my dedication to our community. I have served as:

- Former Mayor, Town of Apple Valley
- President, Mojave Water Agency
- President, San Bernardino County Transportation Authority
- Citizen of the Year, Apple Valley Chamber of Commerce
- Member of Apple Valley Senior's Club

As your elected representative, I will continue to fight for our citizens. My leadership, experience and common-sense principles deliver results. I have worked tirelessly to ensure Apple Valley remains financially strong while offering an exceptional quality of life for all residents.

In the next four years, my priorities are:

- Continue working to bring Brightline West High Speed Electric Train to Apple Valley from Las Vegas
- Support the widening of Yucca Loma Road, west of Apple Valley Road
- Continue supporting the development of the Apple Valley Village area
- Bring more businesses (commercial, industrial, and retail) to our community
- Continue supporting our local Sheriff's Deputies and Firefighters

I would be honored to receive your vote so I may continue to stand for Apple Valley's "Better Way of Life".

LA KERIE WILLIAMS

My name is La Kerie Williams, known as KK in our community, and I am running for District 2 Town Council member. As a childcare provider, advocate, wife, and mother of 4, I bring a wealth of experience to this role. My educational background consists of multiple degrees, including a Juris Doctorate. My husband and I have raised our 4 sons in Apple Valley for nearly a decade, and I am committed to improving our town for them and all residents. Our children need safe sidewalks for their school commute, our residents deserve fair utility costs, and we need trash bins suitable for our desert environment. Apple Valley deserves leadership that reflects all its residents and prioritizes their needs. Change is necessary to uphold our community's values and integrity. With your support, as your councilwoman, I promise to listen to you, represent your needs, bring a fresh perspective to our leadership, and work collaboratively to enhance the safety and well-being of all Apple Valley residents. Vote for me, La Kerie Williams, the "Champion of People."

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MAYOR
CITY OF BARSTOW**

CARMEN M. HERNANDEZ
Elected Council Member

Why I am running for Mayor!

The City of Barstow needs leadership. A \$2.4 million subsidy when developer had already been approved for project on 5/12/21 by city staff. Loan approved for project by lender on 5/7/21 and Marriott subsidy approved by city on 5/27/21. Why weren't residents informed?

I want the position to be able to bring back leadership and a positive attitude to our city. The BIG Project demands that we put bickering aside and focus on the needs of our community and image. I have the experience, knowledge, integrity and leadership skills. We need to focus on teamwork and make sure the Barstow Community's needs come first. Priority should be jobs, housing, streets, new businesses and education to train our residents to succeed.

Vote for Carmen Hernandez for Mayor for your voice to be heard. Let us bring our community back together as a family, where we can discuss our differences and be willing to compromise for the betterment of Barstow.

BEN ROSENBERG

I am honored to run for Mayor of Barstow. With a deep commitment to leadership, respect, and civility we can elevate our community to new heights.

In my years of public service, I have consistently prioritized these values, fostering an environment where every voice is heard and respected. Leadership means being a steward of our city's resources and opportunities and making decisions that reflect the best interests of all residents. It's about having the vision to drive progress while preserving Barstow's unique character.

Respect is the cornerstone of a thriving community. I aim to build a more inclusive and united community by encouraging open dialogue and actively listening to your concerns.

Civility in our discourse is essential. Even when we disagree, we must engage with one another respectfully. I am committed to promoting a culture of understanding, ensuring that our city's debates and discussions remain constructive and focused on solutions.

As Mayor, I will tirelessly improve our infrastructure, enhance public safety, and create economic opportunities. Together, we can create a community where everyone feels proud to live, work, and raise a family. I humbly ask for your support and vote to build a brighter future for Barstow.

"Together We Can"

TIM SILVA

Tim possesses the experience, knowledge, vision, and leadership skills needed to guide Barstow into the future. As Barstow is destined for growth, these talents will be invaluable in shaping the city's needs and desires.

This is not the time for Barstow to take risks with inexperience. The BIG Project heralds unprecedented growth for Barstow, marking its most substantial expansion since the 1970s. As the city braces for this transformative phase, it necessitates a seasoned and adept leader to navigate its trajectory. Tim's extensive service on Barstow's city council spanning 16 years, from 2006 to 2022, underscores his deep-rooted understanding of the city's dynamics. Under his stewardship, Barstow underwent substantial infrastructure enhancements to meet the demands of its impending population growth. Now, as the city charts its course forward, it faces the imperative task of strategizing and procuring resources for the development of new infrastructure to accommodate future requirements. Growth carries risks, and if not managed properly, development may impose unnecessary costs on current residents. Tim's background in finance, marketing, and his negotiations skills make him the best candidate for Mayor of Barstow. He is prepared to lead the city towards a bright, positive future, ensuring opportunity, effective leadership, and growth.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 3
CITY OF BARSTOW**

BARBARA M. ROSE
City Councilwoman – District 3

Age: 62

I live a life of public service, protecting those most in need. As your Councilwoman, I know firsthand what it takes to advocate transparency and safeguard taxpayer's money. I am committed to serving the people. I am courageous enough to ask tough questions; holding city administration and elected officials accountable. I am running for re-election because our city needs strong leaders who can effectively navigate challenges our city is facing. My resilience enables me to continue bringing transparency and empowerment to the people because knowledge is power and the power is with the people.

- I play a critical role in fiscal accountability, advocating Measure Q funds are spent as the voters intended.
- I support economic progression with the BIG project, new businesses, and infrastructure.
- I successfully serve as Chairperson for both Rules & Policy and Homeward Bound committees; spearheading policies that hold elected officials accountable and pursuing solutions with non-profit organizations for the growing homelessness crisis.

I am a military mom, grandmother, Barstow native, raised in a Spanish speaking, Christian home. I possess a Master's degree and was honored as one of Barstow's Most Inspiring Women for public service.

Please re-elect Barbara Rose for City Council
Putting The People First!

LEONARD E WILLIAMS
Retired Veteran

21-year Retired Veteran from The United States Army, currently work as a Heavy Mobile Equipment Mechanic for the United States Marine Corp. A community activist standing for transparency and honest from our local government official. Board Member of different nonprofits ranging from Domestic Violence, Barstow Community Coalition, Past President of Kiwanis Club of Barstow and Elected Lt. Governor Elect for Division 36 of Kiwanis, Executive Director of Barstow Youth Sports Coalition, who sponsor underprivileged youth so they can participate in local sports. Former Chairman of the Resident Oversight Commission for Measure Q. Member of the Chief of Police Advisory Board.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 4
CITY OF BARSTOW**

LORETTA "SARAH" JOHNSTON
Banker

Age: 49

"Sarah" has been a resident of Barstow since 1994. She is currently the Assistant Branch Leader at the Flagstar Bank (formerly known as Desert Community Bank) where she has just celebrated her 20th year. Sarah currently is the Chairperson of the Ambassadors and a Board Member for the Barstow Chamber of Commerce. Sarah is the current Treasurer for the Mojave Valley United Way-Barstow. Sarah also has been a career coach for the EXP program at Barstow High School for the last 9 years. She loves working with the community and has a passion for the betterment of Barstow. Sarah believes in this community and the growth that can come that will enhance a better Barstow. Let's get back to basics and see our city grow.

RODNEY BRAND JR.
Retired Civil Service

I am Rodney Brand Jr, born and raised in Barstow. My family has come from Mexico and Missouri, also as far East from the coast of Connecticut to call Barstow their home for more than 100 years. I have deep roots and tremendous pride in Barstow. I want nothing less than the best for Barstow. I am running for City Council District 4 to represent you the people of Barstow with the goal of community driven progress. I will be your advocate to drive progress for our youth, seniors, residents, animal companions and businesses. Along with devising a plan for the homeless. Our community possesses plenty of potential for growth in jobs and the demand for affordable housing. With the Santa Fe BIG project and the Chemehuevi's Casino in the works, Barstow is in a pivotal moment of great success. I strive for a community in unity now and for our future. Thank you Barstow and God bless you all! I pray for your vote to be your voice.

VIRGINIA BROWN
Retired

Age: 61

My extensive involvement and interactions with the city have provided me with a unique and valuable perspective. I've navigated various city processes, addressed community concerns, and advocated for the people. These experiences have equipped me with a wealth of knowledge and practical insights, enabling me to effectively serve as council. My understanding of our community's challenges and opportunities allows me to advocate for policies that reflect the needs and aspirations of our residents.

In addition to my civic engagement, I bring a diverse and robust work background. As a prison sergeant, I honed my leadership and crisis management skills. My experience as an EMT and 911 dispatcher has given me a deep appreciation for public safety and emergency response. Working at the railroad, I witnessed firsthand the transformative impact of an intermodal facility on a city, guiding it from small-town status to thriving hub of activity. I understand the rapid changes and potential challenges that come with such development. I'm well-prepared to manage the influx of new businesses and opportunities it brings. My varied professional experiences have equipped me with the adaptability, foresight, and resilience necessary to help our city navigate its growth, ensuring a prosperous future for all residents.

JOHN "TEX" WILLIAMS
Equipment Cleaner

John "Tex" Williams has over 36 years of experience serving the community with his dedication to coaching football as well as other community leadership. With integrity and transparency at the core of his character, he anticipates continuing his leadership as a District Four City Council Member. He pledges to work diligently on behalf of the public to enhance quality of life for all. John is committed to leading the charge to build a better Barstow.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1
CITY OF BIG BEAR LAKE**

KENDI SEGOVIA

Age: 61

City of Big Bear Lake Council Member

My family has had a presence in Big Bear for 75 years and still own that cabin in Fawnskin. I have lived in District 1 for nearly 30 years, I am grateful my children and grandkids all live here too.

As a council member, I serve on the Big Bear Fire Board(BBFA). Reviewing past budgets, I discovered the Fire Department had losses of \$1.5 million annually over the past 5 years. I contested last year's budget and closed with a \$200,000 surplus. The 2024-2025 budget will exceed a \$400,000 surplus. My goal is to expand fire and ambulance services without increasing taxes.

Currently, I serve on several committees: Big Bear Lake Budget Committee, Strategic Planning Committee(BBFA), Personnel Committee(BBFA), Big Bear Area Regional Wastwater Agency, Mountain Transit, I serve as Vice President of Soroptimist International of Big Bear Valley.

I have been accused of asking too many questions. I want to know how your money is being spent and how my decisions impact your taxes. I ask questions and will continue to do so, it's the only way I know how to be well informed and make decisions that impact you.

I welcome a call 909-744-2851

Thank you,
Kendi Segovia

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 5
CITY OF BIG BEAR LAKE**

CHUCK HICKS

Big Bear Airport District, Member, Board of Directors

Age: 73

My firm belief in the idea that the government closest to the people governs best underlies my motivation to offer myself as a candidate for the vacant Big Bear Lake City Council 5th district seat. Our small, rural town has a population of 5,000. Our City Council is divided into five districts, each comprised of approximately 1,000 residents. With such relatively small populations in each district, members of the City Council can maintain close and effective contact with their constituents. If elected, my commitment is to fill the gap between constituents and the Council by listening to and acting on behalf of 5th District residents and small businesses.

Some current issues that concern me are as follows:

- Spending of public funds and diminishing revenue sources
- District 5 street maintenance priorities
- Moonridge Corridor residents and business concerns such as traffic management, permitting for property renovation, and parking mandates for new and established businesses.
- City real estate purchases
- Coping with wildfire mitigation mandates

I'm a military veteran, probate attorney, and a retired Federal Aviation Administration employee. In each of these engagements, I swore allegiance to our Constitution. If elected, I will remain true to that oath.

JEFF HOLOUBEK

Businessman

My name is Jeff Holoubek. I will be honored if you choose me to represent you as your District 5 City Council Member. I promise to work tirelessly to represent the best interests of the citizens of Big Bear Lake. I have been coming to Big Bear since I was 13. I learned to ski here. Big Bear is my forever home. My educational background consist of degrees in Accounting, Finance and Philosophy. I also have an MBA in Finance from CSUF where I was designated as "The Most Outstanding Graduate Student". I also have a law degree (J.D.) from Boston University School of Law. Since 8-21-2019 I have served on the Big Bear Lake Planning Commission. I have been the Chairman of the Planning Commission for approximately two years. I have five horses and a wonderful wife! Honesty and integrity are my most valued character traits, and if you choose to vote for me I will never betray your trust.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MAYOR
CITY OF CHINO**

PAUL A. RODRIGUEZ
University Professor

Age: 72

I am honored to have the opportunity to address you today as a candidate for Mayor in the City of Chino. My family's roots in Chino stretch back over 120 years, where my grandparents not only raised their 12 children but also started a successful business supplying pipes to local dairies, and agricultural farms.

Growing up in Chino has given me a deep connection to the community. I found my passion for music and began playing the organ for St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church at the age of 10. I have witnessed the growth and development of our city, and I am proud to have raised my own family here with my wife Doreen, who, like me, is a retired educator.

When elected Mayor, I pledge to serve you with the utmost honesty, integrity, and transparency. My vision for our city is centered around investing in the well-being of all the residents.

I humbly ask for your vote and support, knowing that with your trust, we can work together to make our city an even better place to live, work, and thrive. Together, let us build a future filled with promise and opportunity.

May God bless you all.

EUNICE M. ULLOA
Mayor of Chino

Age: 77

It is my honor to serve Chino as both Mayor and Councilmember since 1984. I was born and raised in the area, earned a Business degree from Cal Poly Pomona, retired as Executive Director of Chino Basin Water Conservation District, and have been married for 49 years.

As a member of our council, I am proud to have attracted jobs and businesses, expanded youth programs, and enhanced parks and facilities for our community. Together we have weathered two recessions, survived a pandemic, and passed Measure V to secure our financial stability.

Now we stand united to face the challenges of the future. Challenges that require strong, experienced leadership to make tough decisions and fight for balanced growth, local control, and increased public safety.

As Mayor, I will continue to fight for police and fire, better roads, upgraded water and sewer systems, diverse housing opportunities for all, more parks, economic revitalization, and State accountability.

I will work hard to ensure our community continues to stay strong, financially solid, safe, and united in our history and cultural diversity.

Please visit www.chinomayor.com for more information.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 3
CITY OF CHINO HILLS**

JAMES W. GALLAGHER
Retired Corporate Trainer

Age: 73

Vote Jim Gallagher - Chino Hills Council, District 3
My wife and I've been Chino Hills homeowners for 31 years.
I'm a retired aerospace HR Specialist with a Sociology/Psychology degree from CSUF and an MBA from University of Redlands.

I'm dedicated to our community:
- Chino Valley Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors
- Save Tres Hermanos founder member
- Senior 55+ Club member
- Concerned Parents/Residents of CVUSD member
- Dog Park for Chino Hills VP

I listen to residents not special interests. I will work hard to:
Preserve open spaces like Tres Hermanos; Improve traffic & safety services; Prioritize neighborhood maintenance: landscaping, lighting, and street repair; Improve city service fees for residents; Seek ways to improve school safety; Sustain neighborhood parks; Work proactively with our cultural, gender, and religiously diverse communities. Implement smart growth strategies to support local businesses and improve shopping/dining options

Our population is growing and we need inclusive, fair housing to meet the challenge.
I represent a new vision that both improves our quality of life and protects the character of our community. Jim Gallagher for Chino Hills City Council. I respectfully ask for your vote!
Vote Gallagher in District 3

ART BENNETT
Councilmember

Vote to re-elect Vice Mayor Art Bennett. He has proven his commitment to the residents of Chino Hills for over the past 30 years. His vision for Chino Hills is:

Enhancing Quality of Life – Continue to ensure that growth in Chino Hills is smart and high quality. Continue to provide recreation opportunities for seniors and youth.

Remaining Among America's Safest Cities – Continue to fight to provide needed tools for our firefighters and law enforcement, including building a new fire station. Ensure we have trained officers to provide unbiased law enforcement protection for all residents.

Maintaining our City's Financial Future – Chino Hills continues to be financially stable, even during these current economic challenges through conservative budgeting and supporting local businesses.

His 30 years of service, experience and knowledge of Chino Hills, along with three terms as your Mayor, uniquely qualify him as the best candidate to serve.

Art is a proud U.S. Army, Vietnam Veteran. His pledge is to fight for you and continue his dedicated service to our great city.

Join with many fellow residents and community leaders, vote to re-elect Art Bennett to the Chino Hills City Council District #3.

TYLER FRANCIS SHIELDS
3rd Shift Custodial

Age: 34

In light of the devastating wildfires ravaging our California communities, we must address the immediate crisis and the systemic issues that exacerbate it and protect our Property. These wildfires, intensified by climate change, have wreaked havoc on homes, businesses, and lives, leaving countless families in despair. Chino Hills' response must be multifaceted. Insurance companies are intended to be our safety net. Instead, they find ways to drop you from service or give you impossible tasks caused by city-owned trees or Property. We must hold the city accountable and ensure they fulfill their obligations swiftly and fairly. We need infrastructure improvements to safeguard our town and homeowner's Property from wildfires to protect Property. Together, we can demand better support from city officials and implement sustainable practices to preserve our Property as homeowners. As a nonpartisan candidate, my most significant concern is protecting the residents and home areas. Introducing term limits for the city's council ensures fresh perspectives, prevents entrenched power, and promotes responsive governance. I have a Master's degree from Azusa Pacific University, where I also took classes in Business Management. I am an employee of the Walt Disney Company and a union member of the SEIU.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1
CITY OF COLTON**

DAVID J. TORO
Incumbent

Thank You to the residents for allowing me to be your voice at City Hall. Thank you to my wife Kerri of 36 years for always supporting me. Thank you to God for my health, and the ability to serve the community with Honesty and Integrity. My Motto is Initiate – Follow Through – Complete and Keeping the Forward Momentum.

I ask for your support again to keep the forward momentum.

Accomplishments

Successfully negotiated with Fish and Wildlife to resolve the Endangered Fly, which resulted in businesses at Valley/Pepper, the Medical University, and future development (Nursing School, Medical Offices, Retail Shopping) that are in the works and would like to complete. Created a Foundation to help Spay and Neuter over 1200 Colton Pets, Created PAWS in the Park for low-cost pet vaccinations, brought the safe route to school drive through at Paul J Rogers, Military Banner program, and "In God We Trust" to the Council Chambers

Working on

Homeless, Illegal Fireworks, Animal Control, additional Police for a better presence, improved Tree Trimming, Landscaping, and Street Sweeping. Development around the Arrowhead Medical Center with retail shopping, restaurants, and medical offices.

Go to www.davidtoro.com for a full history of accomplishments and top priorities

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 2
CITY OF COLTON**

KELLY J CHASTAIN
Councilmember, District 2

Age: 61

Two years ago I was elected to city council and it's been a re-learning experience. Getting re-aquainting with the ins and outs of public office, observing and evaluating who's who, what is being done, the means to achieve set goals and if truly in the best interest of the people of Colton. In this time I have:

- Fought for added Public Safety Officers and increases to retain our hardworking employees
- Voted against an inflated water/wastewater rate increase, questioning past negligence
- Worked to secure a 2 years rate freeze, and upgraded improvements in our trash service
- Voted against a 130ft tall warehouse with little jobs for Colton

My past experience has brought a voice for the citizens and their concerns to the city council, someone who listens and is not afraid to ask the tough questions. I encourage differing viewpoints rather than the "them and us" concept. My vision is to see Colton become that vibrant, innovative and thriving city it has the potential to become. I will continue to fight for a better Colton. It would be an honor to once again have your support/vote this election.

FaceBook: Friends of Kelly Chastain

Instagram: elect_kchastain

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR CITY CLERK
CITY OF COLTON**

JOHN D. MITCHELL

Thank you for your consideration.

The city clerk's position is mostly ceremonial, but the main duty is to the people of Colton and the protection of the city clerk's office. If the deputy city clerk and support staff get bullied and threatened with the loss of their jobs. The city clerk can stand up and squash those threats, keeping the integrity of the department.

ISAAC T. SUCHIL

Retired Peace Officer

I come from a third-generation family in Colton, and I have served in Public Safety for over 30 years.

I know how important it is to have trust in our election process, and after serving 12 years as a Colton Council Member it will be my mission to keep the integrity to that process if elected.

Responsibilities

- Attends all City Council Meetings
- Prepares Minutes
- Custodian of the City Seal
- Administers Oaths
- Signs Acknowledgements for certain legal documents
- Performs Ceremonial functions

Lastly, I ask that you do your best to research on all upcoming Candidates for this election and not rely on social media or news outlets for information, as they tend to put out deceptive information or misleading information which only benefits the writer and a news networks agenda. Thank You and God Bless.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR CITY TREASURER
CITY OF COLTON**

AURELIO DE LA TORRE
Incumbent

As the Incumbent Colton City Treasurer since 2006 I have worked hard to insure your tax dollars are placed in safe, reliable investments. Currently the cash investments for the City exceed \$206 million dollars.

Additionally, over \$17 million dollars for required reserve accounts for Bond Issues are invested in safe investments. As the Trustee of your tax dollars I have maintained a high prudent, intelligent standard to safeguard the principal of the funds while generating interest revenue under the Treasurer's control, without speculation. The Treasurer participates in the annual City Audit, is a member of the Finance Committee and provide input on financial matters to the Mayor, City Council and City Manager. I am a lifelong resident of San Bernardino County, moving to Colton in 1987. I served in the US Army, am a graduate of San Bernardino Valley College and Cal State San Bernardino, and retired from the County as a department head after 27 years.

I humbly ask for your vote to allow me to continue to invest your tax dollars in safe, reliable institutions to insure Colton continues to move on to a better future.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 2
CITY OF FONTANA**

PETER A. GARCIA
Council Member

Age: 59

Fontana families are facing significant challenges, and like you, I am deeply invested in our community's future.

As your Councilman, I am proud of our achievements. We've increased police officers on neighborhood patrols, improved emergency response times and opened the new Fire Station 81, added homeless housing programs to clean up our streets, and invested in Downtown Fontana, home to the newly renovated Stage Red Theater.

We have built one of the strongest economies in the region, providing access to housing for families moving to Fontana from across Southern California. I am committed to ensuring a safe and thriving community. As a husband and father, I am dedicated to making Fontana a place where children and families can succeed.

I will continue to prioritize public safety, implementing homeless solutions, maintaining fiscal stability, and creating a Downtown Entertainment District.

I've proudly served as a Fontana City Councilman, School Board Member, Planning Commissioner, and volunteer baseball coach. I've served with our community's best interest in mind and I will continue to do so.

Join the Fontana Police Officers Association, County Supervisor Jesse Armendarez, Mayor Acquanetta Warren, Council Members John Roberts and Phillip Cothran in re-electing Peter Garcia for City Council.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 3
CITY OF FONTANA**

JOE ARMENDAREZ
Fontana Business Owner

Age: 48

As a Fontana business owner, school board member, and military veteran, Joe Armendarez is dedicated to serving our community. He's worked tirelessly with our youth, steering them towards brighter futures.

Joe understands the complexities of homelessness and recognizes the mental health aspects, yet firmly believes our Fontana families deserve a safe and clean community with strict policies on homeless encampments.

Joe has been instrumental in fostering local economic growth, supporting job creation, and helping businesses thrive. He understands the difficulties of our economy and inflation on Fontana families and has collaborated with local organizations to enhance housing, retail, dining, and entertainment options, ensuring a vibrant community for all residents.

Passionate about public safety, Joe has advocated for additional staffing for neighborhood patrols to ensure children and families are safe. He successfully supported for newly paved streets and safe routes to schools.

Joe has worked alongside dedicated teams of police, firefighters, community leaders, and behavioral health professionals to improve the quality of life for Fontana families.

Joe Armendarez is endorsed by Fontana Emergency Responders including our Fontana Police Officers Association, Mayor Acquanetta Warren and Mayor Pro Tem Peter Garcia.

Vote Joe Armendarez for Fontana City Council

JESUS "JESSE" SANDOVAL
Fontana City Councilmember

Age: 66

As a resident of Fontana for 57 years, it has been my honor to serve the residents and business community of the City of Fontana over the past 12 years. Fontana has faced some challenges, but Fontana continues to move forward even while other cities struggle.

I am grateful for the continued support of my family, my wife of 41 years, Mary, our 3 adult children and grandchildren. This is a great city for families, and I will continue to work to make it more so.

I have worked to gain consensus and build alliances with our businesses and the greater community. I have seen our city grow and thrive to become the Inland Empire's second largest city.

Community members have voiced concerns about the increasing construction of warehouses near schools and residential areas. I am committed to representing the community's interests and ensuring that their concerns are not only heard but also effectively addressed. It's crucial that we prioritize the safety and well-being of our neighborhoods while promoting responsible development practices.

I will continue to:

- Have an open-door policy
- Lend a listening ear to all community concerns
- Put Fontana first

Please vote Jesus "Jesse" Sandoval on November 5, 2024.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF GRAND TERRACE**

JEFF ALLEN

Age: 65

Council Member, City of Grand Terrace

As your council member I have worked hard to move our city forward and I believe the progress shows beautifully. I am proud to be part of the team that has accomplished so much for you.

- Working together we passed my "Stop the Bleed" public safety initiative into law.
- We approved the Gateway Project with more than 350 new homes.
- Our sales and property tax revenue are up and we have a balanced budget.
- Our crime rate remains low while property values remain high.

I am a strong supporter of business and the entrepreneurial spirit. I will continue to work hard for you to bring more businesses to our city. My specific goals for the next four years are:

- Complete the Gateway Project with over 350 new homes and many new business opportunities
- Build the Blue Mountain Park and Trailhead
- A big new Community Center with Library and Performing Arts Center
- Complete the Michigan Avenue Rehabilitation Project
- More robust Code Enforcement Program
- Two full-time Sheriff's patrol cars
- Maintain a balanced budget and increase revenue by promoting entrepreneurial business opportunities and development.

Your interests are my interests. Working together we can keep our city safe and beautiful for all families.

MATT BROWN

Age: 52

Small Business Owner

As a life-long resident, small business owner, and Vice President of the Grand Terrace Chamber of Commerce, I have a proven track record of working to enhance the business environment, foster job growth, and boost our local economy. I am running for City Council to bring that same dedication and leadership to our city government, as follows:

- Ensuring the safety of our residents is my top priority. I will work to increase the number of Sheriff's deputies to keep Grand Terrace neighborhoods safe.
- I will work tirelessly to attract new businesses, create jobs, and build a business-friendly environment that fosters economic growth and prosperity for all.
- Prioritize road improvements, youth recreational facilities, and investment in our public services and facilities to improve our quality of life.

My professional experience in managing financial operations, local government administration, and private sector business management, makes me the ideal candidate to lead our city forward. That's why I am endorsed by Mayor Bill Hussey, councilmembers, residents, and business owners.

Together, we can create a safer, more prosperous Grand Terrace. I ask for your vote to ensure a brighter future for our community.

(951) 536-2227
www.voteMattBrown.com

SHAD K. BOAL

Age: 53

Small Business Owner

With 20 years of hands-on volunteering in our community, I am committed to making Grand Terrace safer, more family-friendly, and better prepared for emergencies. Our community has a significant senior population, and we must be ready to support one another. Through education and training, I aim to inspire others to strengthen our community, fostering greater self-reliance. As a small business owner, I am a strong supporter of our veterans. We must support small businesses while ensuring a safer environment for our children to grow up in.

MICHELLE SABINO

Age: 47

Appointed Member of the City Council

It has been an honor to represent you as a member of the Grand Terrace City Council. As a mother and small business owner, I'm proud to call Grand Terrace home because there is no better city to live, raise a family, and do business in.

As your Councilmember, I will continue to:

- Invest in law enforcement to keep our neighborhoods safe.
- Support local businesses.
- Advocate for the enhancement of parks, libraries and recreational facilities.

I will always work to ensure transparency and accountability, maintaining an open and honest city council that serves the best interests of all residents.

My experience in community service includes serving in leadership for local nonprofits such as The Exception and being an active member of community organizations like the Grand Terrace Chamber of Commerce, has enabled me to understand the needs of our families and community members.

Together, we can continue to build a community where everyone feels safe, supported, and proud to call Grand Terrace home. I respectfully ask for your vote and look forward to continuing to serve you on City Council.

Endorsed by Mayor Bill Hussey, Sheriff's Employee Benefits Association, Grand Terrace business owners and residents.

www.MichelleSabino.com

(951) 444-8234

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1
CITY OF HESPERIA**

CHRIS OCHOA
Healthcare Worker

Age: 38

My name is Chris Ochoa, and I'm running for Hesperia City Council. As a progressive, community-focused, working-class candidate, I'm dedicated to serving the people of our growing city. Since moving to the High Desert in 2019, I've served our desert communities as a helping professional. As a Community Health Worker, I've witnessed firsthand the challenges our city faces.

As a father, I understand the struggles of making ends meet in today's economy. My vision for Hesperia is a prosperous city that offers its residents good-paying jobs, fair and affordable housing, and essential services. I'm committed to advocating for safer roads, a Level One Trauma Center and a four-year university to enhance our community's safety, healthcare, and educational opportunities.

My platform is centered on the belief that every Hesperian deserves life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. I will work tirelessly to ensure that our city government prioritizes the needs of working families and invests in sustainable growth. By fostering collaboration and community engagement, we can build a brighter future for Hesperia.

Together, we can make Hesperia a place where everyone can thrive. I humbly ask for your support in this journey. It's time for change in the right direction!

REBEKAH SWANSON
Retired Educator / City Councilmember

Eight years ago, I promised to bring more jobs, transportation funding, and road improvements to Hesperia while keeping our city family friendly. I have delivered on these promises and ensured that your tax dollars are protected and never wasted.

As Hesperia moves forward, we need proven leaders.
My platform includes:

- *Supporting our first responders
- *Reducing regulations to attract jobs and small businesses
- *Improving our quality of life
- *Maintaining a balanced budget

As wife, retired teacher, and community leader, I believe in treating everyone with respect and listening to all voices. We are one city with one future, and together we can write the next chapter for Hesperia.

I will continue to be vigilant against waste, fraud, and abuse ensuring fiscal responsibility which remains a priority.

I am honored to earn your vote once again,

Gratefully,
Rebekah Swanson

Contact me at 760-987-0499, www.VoteRebekahSwanson.com, or through Facebook at "Rebekah Swanson City Hesperia,"

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 5
CITY OF HESPERIA**

BILL JENSEN

Broker / Retired USAF

Age: 66

To All My Friends and Patriots,

My name is Bill Jensen and today I took a stand for my family, friends, hometown, and country by filing papers to run for District #5 in the Hesperia City Council election.

The 5th District of Hesperia includes treasures like Hesperia Lakes Park, the golf course, the airport, and the Silverwood home development. Our school systems, parks, fire, and sheriff departments are vital. We must be involved in decisions about education, protection, and spending. Our tax dollars should be spent wisely to protect our lives and property. We deserve transparency from our government, accountability for job development, road paving, and school policies.

I believe in America First policies. We must close the border to illegal immigration and stop the threat of harm to our kids. Enforcing the rule of law is essential; criminals should not roam free after being arrested. Open oil wells in California and support refineries to lower gas prices.

We need our property tax dollars returned to fix streets, fund law enforcement and firefighting. Having served as a City Councilman, Mayor, retired US Air Force NCO, I need your support for experienced leadership/representation.

Thank you for your support,

Bill Jensen

JOSH PULLEN

Local First Responder

Age: 46

As a 34-year resident of Hesperia, I ask for your support in electing me to the Hesperia City Council. With a deep commitment to our community, I bring extensive experience in public service as a first responder with the San Bernardino County Fire Department.

In 1996, I began my journey serving our Country in the United States Air Force stationed at Altus AFB and Prince Sultan Air Base in Saudi Arabia. Following my service, I started my journey as a Firefighter/Paramedic in 2006, and I have steadily advanced through every rank within the Fire Department. Currently, I serve as the Division Chief of Administration for the San Bernardino County Fire Protection District.

My wife Amy of 27 years, and I have two children. Amy serves our community as a registered nurse.

If elected to the Hesperia City Council, I would advocate for growing our economy, reducing inflation and government waste, and supporting our police and firefighters.

I'm proud to be endorsed by outgoing Mayor Larry Bird, Supervisor Col. Paul Cook (ret.), and Assemblyman Thurston "Smitty" Smith (ret.), because they know I'm willing to do what's right for our community. More importantly, I ask for your support.

Learn more: JoinJoshPullen.com

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF MONTCLAIR**

BENJAMIN "BEN" LOPEZ
Montclair City Councilman

Age: 48

It has been an honor serving as your Councilman. As a lifetime resident, businessman, baseball coach and community volunteer, I kindly ask for your vote.

Together, we have accomplished much. I fought for better school safety, resulting in 180 new stop signs and crossing guards hired. We hired 12 new police officers and 8 new firefighters to keep you safe. We restored our medic squad. Streets were paved. \$2 million has been secured for Saratoga Park. \$1 million has gone to alleyway improvements. \$1.35 million has gone to street improvements. We have saved residents \$40 million by securing grants and another \$84 million potentially on the way.

I am asking for your vote to continue building on this success. I will continue to advocate for public safety, seniors, veterans, homeless outreach and youth programs. Crack down on speeding and graffiti. I remain committed to bringing in jobs, business and affordable housing. Thriving businesses mean more jobs for our residents. Let's start construction of the Gold Line. I did not vote to give myself a pay raise.

Working with you, it would be an honor to continue serving you on the Council. For more information contact Ben at 909.437.8174 or benlopez4montclair@gmail.com.

XAVIER MENDEZ
Planning Commissioner

Age: 57

People of Montclair:

I've been a member of the City of Montclair community since 1966. I attended Monte Vista Elementary, Serrano Middle School, and Montclair High School, graduating in 1985. I've seen this outstanding City grow into what it is today.

I'm a retired Public Works Superintendent for the City of Montclair with almost 29 years of progressive knowledge with experience in all aspects of Public Works maintenance and operations. I was also in charge of maintaining all City-owned vehicles and equipment, including Police and Fire.

I'm currently a Montclair Planning Commissioner and recently went back to work as an Inspector for an Engineering Firm doing major underground utility work.

My 29 years of institutional knowledge will benefit the City of Montclair and future decisions that are made in years to come. I have been a well-rounded employee and steward to the residents and the community while understanding the needs of its residents and business owners. My knowledge of all the Departments in the City of Montclair is a true value.

I want to help the City become a shining gem in the Inland Empire and hope you will vote for me as your new Council Member.

For more information, visit www.MendezForMontclair.com.

Email: XMendez4Montclair@gmail.com

TENICE JOHNSON
Montclair Councilmember

Age: 67

My candidacy to be re-elected to the Montclair City Council is an extension of the work I have done for the Montclair Community. Over the past 30 years I have worked to ensure that Montclair residents have access to housing, addressed social and recreational needs and worked to address infrastructure and Public Safety. It is my mission to continue the work of supporting Montclair residents. There are multiple priorities for Montclair. Those priorities include access to housing, strong police and fire departments, safe streets and clean parks as well as a strong business community. As your Councilmember, I will use my experience and energy to serve our community.

Vote Tenice Johnson for Montclair City Council. Your voice for a strong and vigorous Montclair.

Email me at TeniceJohnsonForCouncil@gmail.com or visit my website to learn more: www.TeniceJohnson.com

CAROLYN RAFT
Former Council Member / Businesswoman

Greetings Montclair residents! In 1992, and for 6 additional election cycles through 2016, you gave me your overwhelming support by keeping me on the Montclair City Council because I demonstrated integrity, commitment to our community, and fiscal order. In 2020, I chose to not run after serving as your City Councilwoman for 28 years. However, my love for, and 40-year commitment to Montclair, and lifelong dedication to my family and business compels me to reconsider and return to the seat I vacated.

I plan to continue the reputation of progress, strength, and hope I helped establish for our community during my years on the City Council. Montclair deserves representatives committed to building a first-class community and who are respectful toward all Montclair residents, workers and business members.

Return me to the Montclair City Council and I will continue my fight to improve our parks, maintain our roads, promote safe routes to schools, support public safety, attract new businesses, expand your entertainment options, develop affordable housing, bring the Gold Line light Rail system to Montclair's Transit Center, and revive Montclair Place.

Vote Carolyn Raft on November 5, 2024.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MAYOR
CITY OF NEEDLES**

JANET JERNIGAN

As the incumbent for Mayor, I am asking for your Vote at this election. I offer business experience and will preserve Needles' history while moving forward in keeping our small-town charm.

Vision for the City is attracting retail business, working with home builders while streamlining local regulations for them. Promoting Needles as a destination for Visitors to enjoy the river, desert and the local area. This will benefit our economy. I would like to work on revitalizing our downtown to keep business dollars here.

I'm devoted to Needles and have been a loyal supporter of School activities, charities and promoting events in Needles over the years.

I will continue to work with clean up, safety for our Community so we continue our family environment, and all departments in the city. I have a good working relationship with the County and our Representatives, and I have the necessary time to devote to Needles.

WAYNE COLBURN

I am Wayne Colburn, a 62-year-old Airforce Veteran and I want to be your next Mayor.

I have my BA from National University and am a dedicated citizen of The City of Needles. I see the challenges fall into 3 major categories: Housing, Business, and Tourism.

Everyone deserves a safe, affordable place to call home. I will prioritize smart development to ensure we have diverse housing options for residents.

Thriving local businesses are the heartbeat of our economy. I will create an environment where small businesses can flourish, attracting new enterprises and ensuring existing ones have the support they need to grow, creating jobs and boosting our local economy. I will fight by reaching out to businesses demonstrating the benefits and support they will receive bringing their business to the city of Needles.

Our city has so much to offer, from natural beauty to cultural landmarks. By investing in tourism, we not only bring in revenue but also share the unique charm of our community, fostering pride and economic growth.

Together, these pillars support a vibrant and resilient city where everyone can thrive. With your support, we can build a brighter future for all.

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**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEEDLES**

ELLEN ANN CAMPBELL

I'm Councilwoman Ellen Campbell, seeking your support for reelection. With over 50 years of experience in law—40 of those serving Needles—and as a mother of six who raised her family here, I am deeply committed to our community. We have fostered over 100 children, reflecting our dedication to the people of our community.

Serving you has been a true honor. Together, we've achieved significant milestones: our revenues are strong, expenses are managed efficiently, and we've secured over \$24 million in grants. Our parks and beaches are stunning. Our 15-Year Road Project, kicked off by \$3 million from the cannabis sector, and we've celebrated new developments like the Hampton Inn, Marina Storage, Needles Tourism Center, and the Pro Housing Pilot Program.

We've also added over 20 charging stations, expanded VA housing and vouchers, and navigated the challenges of the pandemic. Earned the statewide Economic Development Excellence Award.

As City Council members, our vision includes ensuring long-term fiscal stability, enhancing city services, beautifying our community, boosting economic activity, and fostering regional cooperation. I am committed to using my experience to advance infrastructure, support economic growth, and engage with families and businesses.

Together, we can continue to make progress. I'm excited!

TONA BELT

As an incumbent City Council member for Needles, I am honored to have served our community, and I am eager to continue representing the city I hold so dear. As a registered nurse, a mother, and a wife, I am deeply invested in the well-being of our residents and the future of our city. My family has lived in Needles for five generations, and I have a profound understanding of the unique challenges and opportunities that our community faces.

During my time on the City Council, I have worked tirelessly to promote the health and safety of our residents, support local businesses, and improve our city's infrastructure. I have advocated for responsible growth that preserves our small-town charm while creating opportunities for our youth and future generations. I believe in fostering a community where everyone has a voice and where we work together to solve problems and build a brighter future.

I am committed to continuing this work, ensuring that Needles remains a great place to live, work, and raise a family. With your support, we can continue to move our city forward while honoring the legacy of those who came before us. Thank you for your trust and support.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1
CITY OF ONTARIO**

DEBRA PORADA

Councilmember / Registered Nurse

Age: 66

Endorsements:

Ontario Firefighters & Police Officers, Mayor Leon & AFSME (Partial Listing)

Background:

42-year Ontario resident, Registered Nurse, Current Councilmember, Former Ontario Planning Commissioner and Ontario-Montclair School District Board Member, Bachelor's Degree in Nursing, Completed California School Board Masters in Governance Program, Active Community Volunteer, Mother, Grandmother

Accomplishments:

Ontario is headed in the right direction! Ontario has had many accomplishments while I have served on the Ontario City Council. Among them are: taking back our airport, reducing crime rates, adding new jobs, adding new affordable housing, completion of Kaiser Hospital, ongoing downtown revitalization with new housing and restaurants, a modern sports complex with a minor league baseball team, new fire stations, and putting more police on patrol. In addition, arts and culture are thriving at the Ontario Museum of History & Art and the Chaffey Community Museum of Art. Arts walks are now on the 3rd Saturday of every month in the Emporia Arts District.

Goals:

My goals for Ontario include eliminating homelessness, providing safer neighborhoods and schools, repairing our roads and infrastructure and additional affordable housing for families

Eliminating Homelessness

For everyone's safety and health, we must end local homelessness. I will work with all available resources to provide dignified and permanent solutions. That includes both sustainable quality housing, workforce skills and enhancing the overall health of the homeless.

Keeping Our Neighborhoods and Schools Safe

My primary responsibility as a councilmember is to ensure we can raise our families in safety. That means continuing to lower crime rates, placing even more officers on patrol, and strengthening on-campus school security. We must also guarantee our officers are fully trained to respect every resident and have every available tool for curtailing crime.

Road Repair, Infrastructure Maintenance, Traffic Mitigation, and Added Parking

We must repair our roads, infrastructure, and potholes quickly, and conduct our maintenance during off hours to lessen congestion. We can also improve traffic by implementing new planning guidelines, so our streets aren't overburdened. It's also time for the city to invest in municipal parking lots to add much needed parking throughout Ontario.

Affordable Housing

Often our young families can't find first-time, affordable housing. I will work to include quality, entry level homes - in all future residential communities.

Contact me with your questions: dporada@verizon.net 909-986-2933
<https://www.debraporada.com>

Please vote Porada for City Council!

RAQUEL MORGAN VALENCIA

Human Resources Technician

Hello,

Having grown up in our community for over 25 years, I bring common sense understanding and unwavering commitment to our city. I attended Ontario Christian Elementary and High School and received my Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration – Management and Human Resources from Cal Poly Pomona. I have worked locally at the Ontario-Montclair School District for 4 years serving our youth and community.

My campaign is rooted in the belief that real change starts from the grassroots level. As a lifelong resident, I am intimately familiar with the challenges and opportunities our city faces. My vision for Ontario includes the following key goals:

1. **Term Limits:** I support implementing term limits for our city council members. Term limits ensure fresh ideas and perspectives, and prevents stagnation.
2. **Campaign Contributions Reform:** To enhance transparency and trust in local government, I advocate for strict regulations on campaign contributions. By limiting the influence of large donors, we can ensure that our elected officials prioritize the needs of our residents over special interests.
3. **Police Substation for Northern Ontario:** Public safety is my top priority. This is needed to dramatically help and improve response times, reduce crime rates, and increase police presence in the area. This initiative will foster safer neighborhoods and build stronger relationships between law enforcement and community members.
4. **Strengthening the Code of Ethics:** A robust code of ethics for city officials is essential for maintaining accountability and integrity. I propose regular reviews and updates to our ethics policies to ensure they reflect the highest standards of honesty and transparency.
5. **Revitalizing Downtown Ontario:** Downtown area is the heart of our city, and it deserves to thrive. I am committed to spearheading revitalization efforts that include improving infrastructure, attracting new businesses, and enhancing public spaces. A vibrant downtown will not only boost our local economy but also foster a sense of community and pride.

This campaign is not just about policy; it's about our hometown—our families, friends, and neighbors. I am driven by a genuine passion for our city and a vision for its future. Together, we can build a more dynamic, transparent, and thriving Ontario. I humbly ask for your support and vote in this pivotal election. Let's work together to make our city the best it can be.

Thank you.

Raquel Valencia

JOSEPH ANGEL SANDOVAL
Counselor / Professor

Age: 61

"I'm Dr. Joseph Angel Sandoval and I'm honored to be your candidate for City of Ontario Council District #1. A life-long resident with roots dating back three generations. I've witnessed its potential firsthand. With your support, I'll work tirelessly to revitalize our local economy, promote job growth, safe neighborhoods and strengthen our schools. Together we can create a bright future for the City of Ontario.

On a personal note, I was born and raised in this community. I was a first-generation college student who grew up in a low-income family. I'm a son of a World War II and Korean Conflict U. S. Army Veteran and monolingual Spanish-speaking mother. I am a Proud Alumnus of the Ontario-Montclair School District, Chaffey High School (Class of 1980), Cal Poly Pomona U. (B.A., 1984), San Diego State U. (M.S., 1985), Graduate Certificates (U.C.L.A., Claremont Graduate University) and California State University, Los Angeles (Ed. D., 2018). I'm a Life-long Educator, I work with first-generation, low-income college students in the Los Angeles Community College District; the largest Community College District in the U.S. I am a husband, father, grandfather and brother. I Love my City of Ontario and I promise to serve all of my constituents Faithfully!"

LUIS SUAREZ
Business Owner

Luis Suarez is running for Ontario City Council to make sure our residents' voices are finally heard in City Hall.

Luis has proudly called Ontario home for over 24 years, ever since his parents migrated from Jalisco, Mexico. Growing up in Ontario as a DREAMer, the son of a hardworking union forklift driver and a dedicated warehouse worker, Luis understands the concerns our working families face. His parents sacrificed their dreams to give him and his sisters the opportunity to pursue theirs, and Luis became the first person in his family to attend college and earn a bachelor's degree.

Navigating the city's limited public transportation system to get to school, caring for his three younger sisters, and learning how to protect his parents' rights in the workplace were all experiences that ignited Luis's passion for policy and health. He is a product of the local public schools and has channeled his personal experiences into a mission to improve the lives of his community members.

With over a decade of experience in public policy, Luis has been a driving force behind significant legislation at both the local and state levels. Luis worked to expand healthcare access to all and has advocated for legislation that supports small businesses. His efforts have focused on creating equitable opportunities for everyone, especially for working families.

However, Luis's dedication to Ontario goes beyond public policy. As a local small business owner, he operates a gym that champions inclusivity and wellness. Luis understands the need to invest in entrepreneurship opportunities for working families that bring sustainability to their lives but also good job opportunities to residents.

On the City Council, Luis would focus on the following priorities:

Affordable Housing- Work with developers to build more housing in our city and advocate to protect renters and prevent homelessness.

A Healthier Ontario- Work towards policies that improve air quality and protect our local environment and revisit zoning laws to prevent the construction of warehouses next to our homes, schools, parks, and hospitals.

Small Business Development & High-Wage Jobs- Prioritize the needs of our growing city, diversify our local economy, and make it easier for small businesses to flourish.

Homelessness- Work to increase capacity for local shelters and provide services such as job training and mental health support to fight the homelessness crisis.

Vote Luis Suarez for City Council.

LuisSuarezForOntario.com

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 4
CITY OF ONTARIO**

CELINA LOPEZ

Age: 46

Housing Counselor / Parent

Hello, Ontario neighbors and friends,

My name is Celina Lopez, and I am proud to be a lifelong resident of Ontario. For over forty years, I've had the privilege of calling this vibrant community my home, and now, I am excited to announce my candidacy for Ontario City Council. I'm running because I believe our city deserves leadership that understands our community's unique needs and prioritizes the well-being of all its residents.

My journey in public service began at 18 when I worked with the YMCA, supporting youth in afterschool programs. This experience ignited my passion for community service, which has guided my career ever since. Over the years, I have held various executive roles, addressing critical issues like housing, safety, mental health, and foreclosure prevention for working-class families and businesses. Currently, I serve as a Housing Counseling Director and Community Liaison in the nonprofit sector, where I help individuals across Southern California secure housing, manage their finances, and build better lives for long-term stability.

My work has given me invaluable insights into the challenges that our residents face daily. I have seen firsthand the struggles of those affected by housing insecurity, the need for accessible mental health services, and the importance of financial stability. These experiences have reinforced my belief that leadership must always put people over special interests. With your vote, my top priorities will include:

Restoring high-paying jobs to Ontario so that people can live in the cities where they work.

Expanding access to affordable housing with pathways to homeownership in Ontario.

Advocating for environmental justice, air pollution remediation, and overall quality of life to enhance the standard of living for our citizens.

Collaborating with agencies to create better infrastructure goals and timelines.

Partnering with local law enforcement to enhance community safety, build trust, and develop programs that promote transparency and accountability while ensuring rapid 911 response times.

As a resident of District 4, this election is our chance to choose me as your representative, someone who genuinely cares about our community and will prioritize the needs of every resident over corporate interests.

With the support of local business owners, neighbors, and community leaders, I'm ready to work tirelessly to build a brighter, stronger Ontario where every resident has the opportunity to succeed.

I would be honored to earn your trust and your vote.

Celina Lopez

www.celinalopezontario.com

DAISY MACIAS

Age: 33

Community Relations Manager

Daisy Macias's lifelong connection to Ontario, combined with her dedication to addressing key issues like homelessness, public safety, and fiscal responsibility, make her an ideal candidate for Ontario City Council. This is why she's endorsed by community leaders like Mayor Paul Leon, Councilmembers Alan Wapner and Debra Dorst Porada as well as Ontario Police and Fire. Daisy Macias is the right leader to build a brighter, safer, and more prosperous future for our Ontario.

Daisy Macias, a lifelong resident of Ontario, is the right candidate for Ontario City Council. With deep roots in the community and a strong commitment to its future, Daisy will bring a unique blend of personal investment and professional dedication to our city. Her platform centers on addressing the homelessness crisis, enhancing public safety, and ensuring fiscal responsibility for the city's infrastructure and parks.

Daisy understands the urgency of the homelessness crisis affecting Ontario. She believes in compassionate, pragmatic solutions that provide support and resources for those in need while ensuring the safety and well-being of all residents. Daisy advocates for increased funding for shelters, mental health services, and job training programs, emphasizing a comprehensive approach that tackles the root causes of homelessness. As the Community Relations Manager for the Hope Through Housing Foundation, Daisy forges relationships with regional stakeholders to help make housing affordable for everyone who wants the American Dream.

Public safety is another cornerstone of Daisy's platform. She is dedicated to making Ontario's neighborhoods safe for all families. Daisy supports increased funding in order to maintain a well-trained, strong police force, community policing initiatives, and enhanced emergency response systems. She aims to foster collaboration between law enforcement and community members to build trust and create a safer environment for everyone. Daisy's strong commitment to the brave men and women who protect our neighborhoods is why she's the only candidate in the 4th District to be endorsed by the Ontario Police Officer's Association.

Fiscal responsibility is a principle Daisy holds dear. She is committed to prudent financial management, ensuring that the city's budget is allocated effectively to support vital services and infrastructure projects. Daisy plans to prioritize investments in the city's roads, public transportation, and parks, creating spaces that improve the quality of life for all residents in the 4th District. Her focus on efficient spending and strategic planning will help Ontario thrive without overburdening taxpayers.

ANDREA GALVÁN

I'm Andrea Galván, and I would be honored to earn your vote for Ontario City Council.

In Ontario, we must consider ourselves gardeners who carefully tend to our community's progress. Whether through education, sustainable practices, or fostering empathy and understanding, each action contributes to a brighter tomorrow. Every seed planted today carries the potential to blossom into a brighter, more equitable city for generations to come.

Ontario is grappling with unique and pressing challenges that demand a dedicated champion. We need policies that prioritize our families and put people over profits. I'm committed to making City Hall more responsive to your needs and more focused on the future we want to create. Your voice matters; I will ensure it is heard when making decisions.

I am a proud third-generation Ontario resident. My grandparents immigrated here from Mexico in the 1960s to give their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren better opportunities. With a high school education, my parents found good-paying jobs and helped my brother and me achieve our dreams. Those same opportunities do not exist for working families today.

My lifelong learning was sparked by walks my mom and I would take to our local library. I became the first person in my family to go to college, and I had to work that much harder to finish my Master's program at 21.

Throughout my career, I have worked on complex issues that require creative solutions and a deep understanding of how to build broad coalitions. I'm a senior project manager with experience in global security threat and terrorism analysis, disaster preparedness, response and recovery, helping build housing in walkable and rollable communities and at a NCI designated comprehensive cancer center.

My volunteer and activist work is centered on helping immigrant and refugee communities, fighting for environmental justice, bringing greater access to art, and building stronger communities.

I want to create a stronger, safer, and more economically secure Ontario. We need bold leadership and a creative vision to live up to our potential.

Together, we can take action and work towards solutions by:

Building affordable housing for growing families

Making our parks better public spaces

Investing in safer streets

Improving our air quality

Attracting good-paying jobs of the future

Strengthening community pride

Please join in helping plant the seeds for a brighter future for the next generation by voting for Andrea Galván for Ontario City Council.

Learn more: Andrea4Ontario.com.

NORBERTO CORONA

Deputy Probation Officer

I was born and raised in southern California. Purchased my home and raised my family in district # 4 since 2002. I have served the community in public safety for over 23 years and honorably served in the United States Army.

I intend to focus on crime by reducing law enforcement response time. I will request that additional officers patrol neighborhoods in areas where crime has increased, add additional officers to our schools, crack down on drug dealers and gangs, and promote neighborhood watch programs to keep our neighborhoods and schools safe.

I will increase efforts to upgrade and beautify our district by enhancing and promoting our neighborhood upkeep, increasing road repair and maintenance, upgrading and/or replacing street lights, adding additional stop signs, removing graffiti, keeping our park restrooms accessible and clean for our community, and providing programs where homeowners can easily apply for home beautifications and upgrades.

Vote Norberto Corona.

Working together, we can make a difference.

JOSE NIKYAR

My dear fellow citizen!

Hello my name is Jose Morales Nikyar. I'm a resident of Ontario over 55 years and have mastered in city planning (my education is all about the city affair). Also, I have California state license in plumbing, electric, heating and air conditioning and general contracting. I also have a license in car mechanics and electronics (smog lie).

Since I have lived in this wonderful city for over half of a century and we all have a kind problem and a defiance and I am willing to listen to your suggestions in my office at 1033 E. 4th St. Ontario CA 91764 or any place of your convenience. You could be able to participate in solving problems of our city.

Right now, I am working on the following

Tell people how to reverse their diabetes (I did so so can you)

Having school of technology and teaching all of the trades I know and sharing a half a century of knowledge and experience and I would also donate a tool box so people can go out and find the job.

Feeding the needy by delivering groceries and financial help while also looking after our elderly.

So, please vote for me and I would be committed to the duty and responsibility that I will give and I am willing to be there for seven days a week. Also, I can have meetings at my headquarters at 1033 E. 4th ST. Ontario with my consultant.

Sincerely, Servant Nikyar

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1
CITY OF RANCHO CUCAMONGA**

ERICK JIMENEZ

Rancho Cucamonga Small Business Owner

Being a husband, father, and experienced sports coach, I'm invested in the well-being of Rancho Cucamonga. Having lived in Rancho Cucamonga since 1989, I've been actively involved in community activities, youth sports and after-school programs, ensuring that our children could succeed both on and off the field.

I am a proven small business owner with experience of being fiscally responsible.

My commitment as your Councilman is:

-Begin construction of the Central Park Expansion Project including the swimming/aquatic center and sports complex.

-Address homelessness impacting our neighborhoods and shopping centers.

-Reinvest in our community including improving our parks, field conditions, snack shacks, restrooms and better lighting for the safety of our families.

-Tackle inflation on the local level by creating an Inflation Solutions Action Plan to minimize the burden on families.

Most importantly, I commit to increasing neighborhood police patrol to keep our families and children safe. With the recently opened Public Safety Facility right here in our district, I will work to improve response times from our emergency responders.

Rancho Cucamonga is a family oriented community and it's important we continue in that direction.

If you share the same vision I do, I ask you to vote Erick Jimenez for Rancho Cucamonga City Council.

LUIS CETINA

Age: 59

Brd. Pres., Foothill Fam. Shltr. / Water Policy Advsr.

As a husband, father of six, and longtime resident, I care deeply about our beloved Rancho Cucamonga and aim to preserve its business, family, and safety appeal. For years, I've volunteered and served in various positions, enhancing each organization's mission and financial health.

- Board Member, Rancho Cucamonga Chamber of Commerce (2019–22)
- Board Member, Cucamonga Valley Water District (2012–22)
- President & Board Member, Foothill Family Shelter (2018–present)
- Coach/Referee, AYSO Region 65 Youth Soccer (2009–present)

I'm a proven leader with extensive experience and demonstrated commitment to small business support, affordable and reliable utilities, accountable homeless family programs, church ministry, and youth sports.

As your councilman, I'll work to upgrade west end business districts, realize the long awaited promise of Central Park with an aquatic/field sports complex, and enhance fields, parking, lighting, and restrooms of existing parks. Using my Cal Poly Pomona engineering degree and leadership skills, I'll tackle homeless issues, impending revenue constraints impacting services due to inflation, state budget deficits, overreaching legislation and local taxes, ensuring the protection of essential city and senior services, local job creation efforts, and family culture.

Our support comes from people, not special interests. With rising crime, I'll fight for a satellite police station north of the 210 Freeway. I'd be honored to have your vote.

LuisCetina.com, 909-839-3910

ASHLEY STICKLER

Councilmember/Business Owner

As a product of our community, I am passionate about preserving our quality of life. I grew up in Alta Loma and graduated Alta Loma High School, then went on to graduate from ministry school and manage my family's business before starting my own. I'm not a career politician, I have only ever run for city council, and I ran because I wanted my daughter to grow up in a safe, thriving community like I did.

As the only mother on City Council, I have advocated for improved family amenities, and helped secure grant funds to improve our parks and keep our trails safe and clean.

As a business owner, I know a safe community is a thriving community, so I fought to increase resources for our public safety departments, and earned the endorsement of our law enforcement officers and firefighters.

Using my business experience, I have ensured that our city budget is balanced, without raising taxes on residents, and our government is providing essential services for seniors and youths, and addressing homelessness.

Please join Rancho Cucamonga Mayor Dennis Michael, Mayor Pro Tem Lynne Kennedy, and the city council in supporting Ashley Stickler for City Council.

Learn more at Stickler4Rancho.com

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 4
CITY OF RANCHO CUCAMONGA**

LYNNE B. KENNEDY

Rancho Cucamonga City Council Member/Retired Educator

Rancho Cucamonga is the best city in the Inland Empire and, by keeping true to my values and commitment to the residents, we will continue to improve our community.

I dedicated my life to educating students about the value of one simple premise: today's decisions directly affect tomorrow's world.

As your Councilwoman, I've applied this premise to decisions I've made for our city. I've listened and worked with members of our community, addressed the issues, and delivered my promises.

I promised to be prudent with your taxpayer dollars. By maintaining a balanced budget with healthy reserves, we provide essential services and state-of-the-art amenities.

I promised to prioritize public safety. Our city is ranked one of the safest cities in the Inland Empire.

I promised to help workforce development and economic opportunity. By partnering with school districts to build a skilled, educated workforce, we've promoted economic development for businesses.

Rancho Cucamonga, my home for 40 years, is where I live, work and serve. I am dedicated to representing the residents of District 4 and the community.

I am endorsed by our local law enforcement and firefighters. I would be honored to earn your vote.

Call me personally if you have any questions at (909) 353-0475.

www.Lynne4Rancho.com

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 2
CITY OF REDLANDS**

EDDIE TEJEDA

Age: 53

Council Member / Teacher

Redlands is known as the jewel of the Inland Empire because of our wonderful people, vibrant downtown, beautiful parks and trails, and the thoughtful growth that is occurring across the city. I have had the honor of serving you since 2016 to bring our concerns to city hall and make Redlands a better place to live for everyone.

I will keep working to:

- Address homelessness
- Reduce crime
- Streamline city services
- Maintain our roads and parks

As a teacher, parent, and public servant, my work on the council will continue to focus on the needs of our community and quality of life.

Some accomplishments I am proud of:

- Taxing warehouses to bring more resources to our community
- Honored our local heroes of District 2 (Eddie and Gloria Flores, Joe R. Gonzales, Norman and Oddie Martinez, Mary Reyes Sanchez)
- Supported the development of the Packing House District downtown.

I am proud to have the support of local and regional elected officials, public safety organizations, and community leaders.

Together we can keep Redlands a thriving community that we can all be proud of. I hope to earn your vote to continue serving our community.

Yours in service,

Mayor Eddie Tejada
TejedaforRedlands.com

JENNIFER MARAVILLAS

Age: 33

Public Affairs Representative

I am the proud daughter of Mexican immigrants, a mother, a graduate of the California State University, Long Beach and University of Southern California, married to a behavioral health nurse.

I got involved in local issues when I noticed problems in my neighborhood that needed to be addressed. This led me to start paying attention to city council meetings and I decided to run to be a true representative for our community.

My top priority is to improve the quality of life for all the residents of Redlands. As a strategy and communications professional working in healthcare and a former Teamster, I understand how important it is to maintain the well-being of working-class families. This includes advocating for affordable housing, necessary street infrastructure, creating and enhancing community spaces, acquiring city funds to strengthen North Redlands, and prioritizing and addressing the climate crisis as it directly affects our community.

I have a vision to elevate and help North Redlands truly flourish. I will be the advocate and voice our community needs. It will be an honor to count on your vote!

www.MaravillasForRedlands.com
[@MaravillasForRedlands](https://www.instagram.com/MaravillasForRedlands) on Instagram

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 4
CITY OF REDLANDS**

JENNA GUZMAN-LOWERY
Councilmember / Therapist

Age: 34

As your District 4 City Councilmember, I've dedicated myself to addressing Redlands' most pressing issues. I am proud to say that we have made significant progress in creating solutions for homelessness and expanding affordable housing options during my tenure. By collaborating with local organizations and securing funding, we have made significant strides in providing shelter and support for our most vulnerable residents.

These challenges are complex and I am proud of our progress, but there is still work to be done. My continued vision for Redlands includes:

- Continuing to develop comprehensive programs to reduce homelessness.
- Increasing the availability of affordable housing for families, seniors, and working people.
- Ensuring our community remains safe, vibrant, and livable for all.
- Engaging residents on city affairs and promoting transparency at city hall.

With your support, I will continue to advocate for practical and compassionate policies that benefit everyone in Redlands. Let's build on our successes and create unity through community.
www.jennaforredlands.com

JESUS CISNEROS
School Safety Officer

Age: 46

As a dedicated public servant with over 20 years working for a law enforcement agency and as an independent construction contractor, I am uniquely positioned to serve our city with integrity and practical experience. My career in public service has instilled in me a deep commitment to serve our community, while my construction background equips me with a hands-on approach to infrastructure and development challenges.

Throughout my career, I have honed my skills in leadership, crisis management, and teamwork. These experiences have taught me the importance of clear communication, strategic planning, and transparency—qualities I believe are essential for a successful City Council member. I am committed to using these skills to advocate for our community's needs, ensure responsible development, and enhance public safety.

My goal is to bring a balanced perspective to the Council, addressing both the practical needs of our city's infrastructure and the essential concerns of its residents, while conserving the traditional small town quality of life. With a proven track record of dedication and service, I am ready to work tirelessly for our city's growth and prosperity. I ask for your support and vote to bring experience and commitment to our City Council.

MARC SHAW

Age: 51

Law Enforcement Chief & Planning Commissioner

I'm running for City Council to be the independent, common-sense problem solver that Redlands deserves. The City Council shall protect the city's health, safety, and welfare. Our local government is failing as politicians focus on their self-interests.

As your councilmember, I will be your voice, fighting to bolster public safety, cut government waste, and create well-paying jobs. I understand these issues because I've served our community as a law enforcement officer for over 30 years, currently as chief of a statewide organization. I also serve on the Planning Commission and have led the Redlands Bicycle Classic for a decade.

As your City Councilmember, I will prioritize:

- Reducing Crime: Leveraging my law enforcement experience, I will enhance community policing, improve response times, and ensure safe neighborhoods.
- Addressing Homelessness: I will advocate for increased funding for mental health services, affordable housing, and nonprofit partnerships to reduce homelessness and public encampments.
- Creating Economic Opportunities: Focus on attracting quality businesses with well-paying jobs.

I'm proudly endorsed by County Supervisor Dawn Rowe, San Bernardino County Superintendent Ted Alejandre, current and former elected officials, and law enforcement throughout San Bernardino County because they know I'm committed to doing what's right for Redlands, not political agendas.

Learn more: Shaw4Redlands.com

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR CITY TREASURER
CITY OF REDLANDS**

PHILLIP DOOLITTLE
Appointed City Treasurer

Phillip Doolittle has spent most of his adult life in the Redlands community. He currently serves as the Treasurer of the City of Redlands.

With a BA from the University of Redlands and an MBA from Willamette University, Phil became the Chief Financial Officer of the University of Redlands. He had overall responsibility for the institution's financial and business affairs, including management of its investment portfolio.

Phil also served as Chief Financial Officer of the University of Massachusetts Global and has held management positions at TRW Inc. and U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

Phil has been on the governing boards of the National Association of College and University Business Officers, WASC Senior College and University Commission, and Private College 529 Plan, LLC.

In addition, Phil participates in the California Municipal Treasurers Association, California Society of Municipal Finance Officers, and Association of Public Treasurers of the United States and Canada.

Locally, Phil has served extensively on the governing boards of various community organizations, including Redlands Community Hospital, Redlands Symphony, Museum of Redlands/ RHMA, and Watchorn Lincoln Memorial Association.

Phil has the knowledge, experience and commitment to continue to serve as Redlands' City Treasurer and would be honored to have your vote.

JOHN PAUL MAIER
City Clerk

Age: 37

Greetings, I am John Paul Maier, and I am running for Redlands City Treasurer to bring my expertise and dedication to our community. With 8 years of proud residency in Redlands and 11 years of experience in a City Clerk's Office, I deeply understand municipal finance and governance. I hold a Bachelor's Degree in Business Economics and I have a Master of Business Administration (MBA). My background has equipped me with the skills needed to manage our city's finances effectively and transparently.

As a family man, I am deeply invested in the future of our city. I am committed to ensuring that Redlands remains a thriving, financially stable community where families like mine can prosper. My goal is to bring fiscal responsibility, transparency, and oversight to the Treasurer's office.

I believe that with my experience and dedication, I can contribute to the financial health and growth of Redlands, ensuring our city remains a great place to live for generations to come. I humbly ask for your support and vote to make this vision a reality.

Vote John Paul Maier for City Treasurer!

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MAYOR
CITY OF RIALTO**

RAFAEL TRUJILLO
City Councilmember / Parent

Age: 46

Our families are still struggling to get by as inflation and costs go up, while wages are not keeping pace. At the same time, we are heading into an era of unprecedented growth. Unlocking those opportunities for Rialto residents is why I am running for Mayor.

Like many of you, I'm raising a family and want a bright future ahead. We cannot afford erratic decision-making that chases away opportunities for workers and our residents. While on the City Council, I secured millions of federal dollars to help Rialto residents come out of the Pandemic but I have distinguished myself in securing millions of private dollars to keep commercial trucks off residential streets, add infrastructure, and good-paying jobs. I also pushed for funding to address homelessness through a joint effort with police and mental health professionals. I also uncovered illegal fees on our trash bills—then forced the city to remove them.

I'm proud to have earned the support of Congresswoman Norma Torres, the majority of the Rialto City Council, a running list of working family organizations, public safety, and community leaders.

On November 5th, vote for a powerful voice and leader for our families. Vote for Rafael Trujillo for Mayor.

DEBORAH ROBERTSON
Mayor

As a 36-year resident of the City of Rialto, I've always been deeply committed to our community's future. Serving as mayor has been an honor and has allowed me to contribute to that future by fostering jobs and housing, building infrastructure and leading the charge for fiscal responsibility. These efforts have resulted in immense growth and a robust \$16 million surplus.

Through the years, I've championed the creation of jobs in healthcare, education, transportation, logistics and retail. My dedication to fostering growth and economic development dovetails my work to secure more market-rate and affordable housing. These efforts have contributed to nearly two-third of families in our city owning their own homes.

We're bolstering this success by investing in our infrastructure by improving major arteries and local roads, coordinating with local utilities to increase efficiency and investing in a new \$83 million state-of-the-art police department through a public-private partnership.

Over the years, the City of Rialto has garnered state and national recognition for our growth, development, partnerships and innovation. Why stop now? I would be honored to have your continued support. Please vote for Mayor Deborah Robertson on Tuesday, November 5th and let's keep it going.

Contact: info@deborahrobertson.org or (951) 251-1866.

JOE BACA
Rialto Councilman

I am running for Mayor of Rialto to enhance our community and improve the quality of life for all citizens. With 36 years of public service as a Community College Trustee, State Assemblyman, State Senator, U.S. Congressman, and currently a Councilman, I bring the vision and experience to take our city to the next level.

My experience at the Federal, State, and local levels equips me to secure vital assistance for our city. I have a deep understanding of the challenges we face and am prepared to implement effective solutions. As your Mayor, I will prioritize responsible economic development, retail and commercial, affordable housing, the modernization of our sports facilities, and continued improvements to our streets and parks, including adding WiFi and new soccer fields.

I will support police and firefighters, address homelessness, and strengthen our relationship with the Rialto Unified School District to ensure student safety. Additionally, I aim to enhance services for seniors and veterans, revitalize downtown, and maintain a balanced budget.

I am a veteran, married to Barbara, and have four children: Joe Jr., Jeremy, Natalie, and Jennifer. I would be honored to have your vote as your next Mayor.

Sincerely,

Joe Baca
Congressman/Councilman
www.workingjoebaca.org

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF RIALTO**

VICKIE DAVIS
Clinical Supervisor

Age: 36

I, Vickie Davis, LMFT, am excited to announce my candidacy for the Rialto City Council. My deep connection to our community and extensive background in mental health, community organizing, and nonprofit leadership equip me to effectively serve and advocate for our city.

As a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist, I am passionate about addressing mental health issues, especially among the unhoused, where 80% are affected. I believe targeted mental health policies can reduce homelessness and decrease the prison population by providing necessary support.

Affordable housing is another personal priority, as I have firsthand experience with the challenges of limited housing stock. I am committed to increasing affordable housing options and supporting homeownership for all Rialto residents.

I am also dedicated to fostering entrepreneurship and small business development, believing that a thriving local economy is essential for our community's growth. My vision for Rialto includes economic growth, enhanced mental health support, and innovative solutions to our city's challenges.

I humbly ask for your support and vote on November 5th to bring fresh ideas and effective leadership to the Rialto City Council.

ANA GONZALEZ
Nonprofit Executive Director

Age: 37

Rialto residents deserve to live in a community where we can thrive in a healthy and safe environment. The City of Rialto has great potential to be a model for the Inland Empire. With fresh ideas, knowledge, and experience, you have my commitment that together we can bring better job opportunities, housing, green spaces, and promote small business entrepreneurship.

I have lived in Rialto for 27 years, served on the Rialto Budget Advisory Committee, and currently serve on the General Plan Community Advisory Committee. As a volunteer and community leader, I have and am committed to serving the city and bringing transparency and inclusivity to ensure all are heard and the community is included in all decisions that impact our daily lives.

My priorities are:

- Infrastructure Improvements
- Housing
- Health and Safety
- Small Business Advocacy

I serve on the California Transportation Commission Interagency Equity Advisory Committee and understand the impacts of road maintenance costs. I will use my expertise to work with leaders to bring funding for road repairs and help create walkable communities.

This race is not about me; it's about unity to bring solutions, funding, and a better quality of life. Vote Ana Gonzalez on November 5th.

Voteanagonzalez.com

KARLA PEREZ
Community Advocate

As former Rialto City Council Member, I know the importance of working hard to continue to improve our community for residents while maintaining a balanced budget. With inflation and the cost of living these days, the cost to run the city should not be an added burden to the residents.

Having convenient shops and restaurants, improved and maintained streets and community amenities, and safe neighborhoods for our residents is of utmost importance. I support a strong Police and Fire department and will work to make sure they have the tools they need to keep our city safe.

My family and I moved to Rialto in 1992 and I have been here since. My husband and I both grew up in this city and have raised our 3 children here. We have seen Rialto grow so much throughout the years and want to continue to work on moving Rialto in the right direction.

Vote Karla Perez

LUPE CAMACHO
Civil Servant Manager

Rialto has been mine and my family's home for over two decades. I am proud to call this city home because of our dynamic, diverse and vibrant neighborhoods. It is the people who really make this city an emerging destination to live, work, and raise children. As the US Census Bureau Partnership Coordinator for the Inland Empire, it was my responsibility to ensure an accurate count of Rialto residents. Our city increased 4% self-response and increased its share of financial resources for streets, library improvements, and infrastructure enhancements.

My plan of action for Rialto is:

- * Uphold resident request regarding developer warehousing within the city.
- * Repair broken streets and fix potholes.
- * Fix aging and antiquated storm drains
- * Improve sewer and water projects.
- * Lead an academic and economic environmental plan for Rialto in collaboration with other regional agencies/organizations.

I am a proven problem-solver, not a career politician. Like you, I am tired of political agendas. It's time for representatives of the people to guide our city and not large developer money funded politicians. I believe in collaborative teamwork. I am honored to run for council and I would be grateful for your vote. Respectfully, Lupe Camacho

ANDY CARRIZALES

Age: 49

City Councilman / Business Owner

I've had the incredible honor of serving you as your City Councilman and Mayor Pro Tem with pride, enthusiasm, and gratitude. Over the past few years, Rialto has seen remarkable prosperity and growth, and I am beyond thrilled about the future!

I am running for re-election to keep Rialto vibrant and prosperous, ensuring a high quality of life for all residents. My vision is to create a safer, thriving community for future generations. As a local coffee shop owner, I've witnessed the powerful impact of giving back to our community.

My top priorities include improving our streets, keeping taxes low, and maintaining financial responsibility while providing exceptional services. Our community already benefits from enhanced public safety, with a new fire station in South Rialto and an upcoming police station in 2026. Plus, we're enjoying the new amenities, and restaurants our residents deserve.

I will continue to make Rialto "A Better Place To Live, Grow, and Thrive!" Your vote is crucial and greatly appreciated!

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR CITY CLERK
CITY OF RIALTO**

BARBARA A. MCGEE
City Clerk

I truly enjoy serving as your City Clerk and I strive to be accessible and responsive in providing courteous and professional services to the general public.

You deserve a trained professional in this important position. I'm a Certified Municipal Clerk and continue to provide transparency by staying updated on new laws and regulations pertaining to local government. I will continue to maintain and protect your official city records, manage City Council agendas and minutes, provide notary services, and election information.

Other ways I serve you, are obtaining Federal Government certification so you can apply for your United States Passport at our convenient location. I'm proud of my success in obtaining grants and a fellowship to subsidize Healthy Rialto programs such as the Rialto Certified Farmers' Market and other local services.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your City Clerk. I work only for you, the residents of Rialto. With your vote and continued support, it would be a great honor to continue to serve as your City Clerk

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR CITY TREASURER
CITY OF RIALTO**

CARLA DENEZ TOWNS
Registered Tax Preparer

Age: 67

As a proud resident of Rialto since 1999, with over 30 years of experience as a tax professional, I bring a wealth of expertise to the role of City of Rialto, Treasurer. I am a Registered Tax Preparer with the IRS and California Tax Education Council and sole proprietor of Towns Tax and Financial Services. I hold a BA in Administrative Studies from University of California, Riverside and an MBA from California State University, San Bernardino.

I served as a Senior Accountant and Internal Auditor for San Bernardino County for 22 years, earning the Award for Excellence in Public Service. As an adjunct professor at CSUSB, I taught accounting, financial reporting and internal auditing at a graduate level. My involvement with non-profit organizations included roles as Internal Audit Chair and Treasurer.

As City of Rialto Treasurer, I will ensure financial accountability and transparency. I will enhance our city's financial health and promote community engagement.
Thank you for your support!
Vote for Carla D. Towns

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL WARD 5
CITY OF SAN BERNARDINO**

KIM KNAUS

Businesswoman / Non-profit COO

Dear Neighbors,
I'm Kim Knaus. I'm not just running for City Council in Ward 5; I'm fighting for the life of our city! I was raised here, I'm raising my family here, and I've seen the challenges firsthand. But I'm not just itemizing problems; I'm here to take action.
Our city deserves more than broken promises and overlooked potential. We need a fighter with proven experience. I'm ready to roll up my sleeves and dive into the work that will transform our community.
Working together, we can make a difference. I am committed to:

- Strengthening public safety with proper tools, funding, and proactive measures to tackle crime.
- Creating local jobs by championing small businesses, revitalizing our economy.
- Smart, strategic planning that prioritizes the urgent needs of our community.
- Tackling homelessness through collaboration with local, regional, and state decision-makers for lasting solutions.
- Revamping our infrastructure, improving roads and sidewalks, for a safer, more efficient city.

I'm endorsed by the San Bernardino Police Officers Association, labor unions, business, and community leaders. But what truly matters is your support.
Join me in this fight. Vote Kim Knaus for City Council in Ward 5. Let's move San Bernardino forward.

HENRY NICKEL

Business Owner

Age: 46

It is time to revitalize San Bernardino. We must end the dysfunctional, divisive, and destructive politics of the past. With your vote we will create a safe, clean, prosperous city for all by:

- Advancing responsible development, supporting homeownership over detrimental excess rental housing.
- Ending political corruption while restoring accountability within City Hall by hosting regular community discussions with residents prior to City Council meetings.
- Returning cooperation and collaboration among members of our community, elected leadership and city staff.

Born and raised here, our family has called San Bernardino "home" for over a century. We can no longer elect candidates funded by outside special interests and wealthy donors. As your next City Council Member, together we must:

- Reduce Homelessness – Remove illegal outdoor encampments, while directing current resources to assist and keep homeless individuals off our streets.
- Combat Crime – Advance community policing without "defunding" our police. We need more police officers patrolling our neighborhoods and parks, not fewer!
- Invest in our Community – Continue to correct decades of neglect by repaving crumbling streets, citing vacant and blighted properties, and improving quality of life for all.

Learn more at www.henrynickel.com or call me anytime at (909) 704-4653, I work for you. Vote Henry Nickel for City Council.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL WARD 7
CITY OF SAN BERNARDINO**

JAMES F. "JIM" PENMAN
Attorney-At-Law

We need changes at City Hall. Our city government's dysfunction is apparent. Homelessness and crime are widespread. Good jobs are scarce. Many San Bernardino families are struggling to pay their bills.

- I have the necessary experience, knowledge, and integrity presently missing from city hall.

My qualifications:

- Law Enforcement: As your former elected City Attorney, I closed over 500 drug/gang houses.
 - I am endorsed by the San Bernardino Police Officers Association and San Bernardino County Professional Firefighters IAFF Local 935.
- Community Service:
- Former Police Commissioner, Firefighter, U.S. Army Reservist, Home of Neighborly Service Director; Cal-State San Bernardino Alumni President.
 - Endorsed by former Mayor Judith Valles, Carpenters Local 909, Western Regional Council of Carpenters, and International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Union 477.

As your new Councilmember, I will push tougher actions to reduce crime and homelessness.

My priorities:

- Homeless: Remove them from our parks and streets now. No more excuses. Use compassionate, tough-love actions that expand job-training and housing resources; require medical treatment for mentally ill and drug-addicted individuals.
- Neighborhood Safety: Support our Police Chief/Department. Expand crime prevention services.
- Housing Affordability: Commonsense reforms to reduce housing costs and help more families afford homes.

I ask for your vote to make San Bernardino a safer, more affordable community. Please contact me at 909-882-8986 or Electpenman.com

TREASURE ORTIZ
College Professor / Business Owner

Age: 40

Are you over the status quo of decades of failure and corruption in San Bernardino?

Are you ready for real change? Ready for real plans that bring positive outcomes to our city?

If you answered yes, then I am your candidate!

I will bring forward initiatives to:

1. Support our community and Police Department and fight against harmful laws that make it easier to be a criminal and harder to protect our city.
2. Implement real plans to address homelessness that will allow us to clean up our parks and help those who are mentally ill/drug addicted get into proper treatment facilities and off our streets.
3. Create a Highland Ave. and 40th Street specific plan that will help our current local businesses and bring in new ones.
4. Address blight and code violations by reinvesting Code Enforcement fines back into the community with the creation of a stipend program for local businesses to help homeowners and renters maintain their properties.
5. Fix our pothole ridden streets by utilizing CIP and Water funds together to update our underground main lines and pave all our streets within the next 7 years.

Together let's make San Bernardino an All-America City again!

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1
CITY OF TWENTYNINE PALMS**

STEVEN BILDERAIN
Incumbent

Age: 47

As I announce my candidacy for re-election, I am aware of the challenging responsibilities and unwavering dedication necessary to promote our City's well-being. My expertise, combined with my commitment to my fellow citizens in pursuit of making our City an exceptional place to raise a family, motivates me to continue serving with empathy and intention. I look forward to continuing our joint endeavor to make Twentynine Palms a safe, vibrant, and thriving community, while preserving our small city identity with your continued support.

CARRIE WILLIAMS
Entrepreneur

Age: 66

Building a Resilient Community

I have lived in Twentynine Palms for over 30 years.

As a small business owner and a nonprofit founder, I understand that at-risk groups and families have unique needs within the city. I plan to collaborate with surrounding populations in the Morongo Basin to develop a cohesive approach to understanding and meeting the changing needs of our community.

What excites me most about leading the Twentynine Palms Community and District 1 is the opportunity to build an inclusive future. I believe the future success of Twentynine Palms depends on it. My "Future Forward Platform for Twentynine Palms includes: Educational Development, Youth Programs and providing Golden Years and Golden Opportunities for our seniors.

I look forward to continuing to work with the residents of Twentynine Palms today, and in the future, and I ask for your vote.

Carrie Williams

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 2
CITY OF TWENTYNINE PALMS**

APRIL RAMIREZ

Age: 34

Nurse / Quality Improvement Specialist

I am running for City Council District 2. I am a Mom of two beautiful daughters, a nurse, an active duty military spouse and the President of Oasis Elementary School PTO.

I am currently working on a project as a Nurse/Quality Improvement Specialist. My goal, if elected, is to do just that, improve the quality of life for the residents of Twentynine Palms. When we empower each other, we empower generations.

Vote April Ramirez!

PAUL RAZO

Age: 33

Business Owner

I'm running for City Council because I believe Twentynine Palms should be more than a nice place to visit, it should be a place we're proud to call home! If elected I would advocate for sustainably conscious growth, boosting our local economy, and preserving the legacy of our city.

As a local business owner and member of the city's Public Arts Advisory Committee, I've already had the pleasure of serving our residents, from behind a retail counter and in City Hall. I've worked closely with city staff and built the relationships needed to start coordinating collaborations on day one.

I believe in the importance of empathy, teamwork, and speaking on behalf of those who don't always have a voice in the room. Together we can build a city we're happy to call home.

Vote Razo!

JIM KRUSHAT

Age: 67

Government Contractor

My name is Jim Krushat and I am a third-generation resident of Twentynine Palms. After retiring from Federal Service in 2015, my wife Beverly and I returned to 29 Palms. Our community service includes the Board of Directors 29 Palms Historical Society, projects for Kiwanis International, and the Joshua Tree National Park Council for the Arts.

I am an Army Veteran and graduate of West Point having served in both the United States and overseas. In addition to my military and government service, I spent 16 years working in manufacturing as an engineer and in senior management. During which I earned my MBA from the University of Redlands.

I have served as a City Planning Commissioner since 2017, working on a myriad of issues affecting our city. I will continue to champion projects that boost economic growth and benefit our city while maintaining the beauty and uniqueness of our desert community. I will work to reinvigorate efforts to obtain funding for significant infrastructure projects and more affordable housing options. I look forward to using my years of leadership, management and work experience to serve both the interests of District 2 and the entire 29 Palms community.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1
CITY OF VICTORVILLE**

TIFFANY GAUDIN

Community Outreach Coordinator / Former EMT

Victorville deserves a capable, forward-thinking Council Member who cares. For 15 years, I served on Victorville's front lines as an EMT, responding to hundreds of emergencies. During the past year, I worked diligently to build helpful connections as a Community Outreach Coordinator. The High Desert, where my husband and I are raising our 3 children, is home. I've heard your concerns and will leverage my experience to make a real difference.

My qualifications translate perfectly to City Council work, but what truly sets me apart is collaboration. Working alongside first responders, residents, and community leaders alike, I learned firsthand that teamwork achieves results, reminding me of the importance of building trust with everyone I serve.

With a fresh perspective, I will prioritize:

- **Public Safety:** Expand public safety, improve community-police relations, and ensure first responders have cutting-edge equipment and technology.
- **Economic Development:** Attract new business investment and better job opportunities through a strong economy, trained workforce, and smart development.
- **Homelessness:** Focus on long-term solutions that support positive change for homeless individuals while protecting the interests of residents and local businesses.

I'm ready to serve on Victorville's front lines again, this time to champion practical solutions. Please vote for me! Visit: tiffanygaudin.com

VALENTIN GODINA

Retired

Age: 60

I have been a resident and small business owner of the high desert for over 35 years. All my children went to school and graduated in the high desert and joined the Navy from the high desert. Most of them didn't return to the high desert because of lack of services and community resources.

My family and I have experienced firsthand the negative impacts and negative quality of life due to lack of or outdated community resources, which as tax paying residents we are entitled to.

As one of the more senior residents of the high desert, I was here before the boom in development, and noticed a need for after school programs. I singlehandedly developed a youth community non-profit mariachi organization, dedicated to teaching music to the community free of charge. I was one of the strongest supporters and ally to Felix Diaz and helped develop the High Desert Mariachi Festival.

As an advocate for community services, I teamed up with other concerned residents for a more accessible and updated library, which is the service center hub for the high desert. The new library officially broke ground on May 23, 2024 and will be located in the Green Tree Golf Course club house.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 3
CITY OF VICTORVILLE**

BLANCA AZUCENA GOMEZ

Age: 45

S.V.L. Lions Club Treasurer / Councilwoman / Graduate Scholar

Advocacy/ethical representation of communities have been an issue tasked by voters to entrusting viable candidates an opportunity to challenge the status quo and to decentralize governments. Stakeholders and even you, engage in politics for a simple reason: to uphold our constitutional rights, privileges and God given life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. We the people, today, have recognized that a veil of wicked problems and societal systemic injustices have for far too long been pulled over our eyes. Enough is enough! I, Blanca Gomez, challenge you to take heed and unite with me for change and create winning elections. I am on your side and aware of your ideas, thoughts, and struggles. Our time is now to shine by rewriting history in Victorville. Will you spread the word and get others to join us in this election's vote?

Español

La unión hace la fuerza y en mi comunidad he estado presente durante la política desde mi elección hace años. Me llamo Blanca Azucena Gomez y mis padres son mexicanos aunque crecí bajo la administración del gobierno estadounidense, nunca se me ha olvidado de dónde vengo y quién soy. Considéreme a mí como su candidata preferida.

442-368-4578

ELIZABETH "LIZ" BECERRA

Mayor of Victorville

Victorville is growing! Projected to double in size within the next 20 years, I'm committed to ensuring this growth is smart, sustainable, and benefits all residents.

Born and raised here, my family's legacy spans generations. My love for community has inspired my life's work from rolling up my sleeves for decades to maintain our streets to serving as your Council Member. Victorville is my home, my heart, and my mission. Building a brighter future for you is my ongoing pursuit.

Significant milestones were achieved by the Council because I put your voice into action: The Brian Gengler Bridge connecting us to Apple Valley, and critical projects like the new police department, Civic Plaza, and library are just the beginning.

While much has been accomplished, there's more to do. My top priorities include:

- Unwavering Public Safety. Completing the new police station and Civic Center Plaza to promote peace and safety for all.
- Thriving Economic Engine. Creating jobs and opportunities for our youth, fostering a dynamic and prosperous Victorville.
- Financial Responsibility. Assuring a strong and balanced budget that allows us to invest in our future.

I'm ready to keep rolling up my sleeves for a stronger Victorville. Please vote Liz Becerra.

lizbecerra4council.com

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 5
CITY OF VICTORVILLE**

LESLIE IRVING

Age: 60

Council Member, City of Victorville

As a special education teacher and dedicated Victorville Council Member, I have proven leadership in the classroom and the council chamber. As Councilwoman, I will continue to empower every member of our community with opportunities for a resilient and prosperous future. My priorities include:

Economic Development: Creating a business environment that supports local and small businesses, and job creation.

Community Wellness: Ensuring resources for physical, mental, and financial wellness such as universal basic income (UBI) and affordable housing,

Public Safety: Ensuring adequate resources for community safety and emergency preparedness for law enforcement, fire, and EMT.

Sustainability: Implementing sustainable new investments in green infrastructure.

Job Readiness: Expanding programs to prepare our workforce for the modern economy.

Our achievements so far show my commitment to progress. We have erected a wellness center to help reduce homelessness, built the Green Tree Bridge to alleviate traffic congestion, upgraded parks and enhanced recreational programming. Despite these successes, there is still work to be done. If re-elected, I will continue to be an architect of opportunity from the classroom to city hall. Let us build a stronger, more resilient future for Victorville together. Re-elect Leslie Irving to Victorville City Council on November 5, 2024.

ERIC NEGRETE

Age: 52

Program Manager

It was an honor to serve on the Victorville City Council from 2014-2018. I first came to Victorville in 1985 and have been here permanently since 2008. I attended Hook Jr High School and Victor Valley High School. I have a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration and a Masters in Management from Troy State University, My wife and I raised our children in Victorville.

I have used my 30 years of experience as a Program Manager for the US Army Corps of Engineers to benefit the residents of Victorville. As your Councilman, I'm used to putting in the work to get things done on projects large and small. I have
 Added more police and firefighters
 Passed balanced budgets & fixed roads
 Championed the City's first skatepark
 Voted to eliminate red light cameras
 Voted for the Green Tree Rd Extension

If re-elected as your Councilman, I'll keep getting things done for you:
 Prioritize public safety and support Police and Fire
 Continue to balance the City budget
 Quality of life projects
 Address homelessness with both services and enforcement
 Promote a prosperous business environment.

On November 5th 2024 I respectfully ask for your vote for Victorville City Council District 5.

ericnegretevictorville.com

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 3
CITY OF YUCAIPA**

GEORGEANN "GIGI" HANNA, MPA
Non-profit Executive Director

Age: 54

I have 30 years' experience in municipal government, public policy, housing, water, public affairs, and team building. Like many, I moved to Yucaipa for its safe, walkable downtown, easy freeway access and rural feel. I am running to represent an area I love: a vital part of the community, where young families and retirees can still find affordable, safe places to live. We must keep Yucaipa's rural charm, limit higher density housing closer to the freeway, fully fund public safety, and make sure our mobile home parks have stable rents and safe conditions. Yucaipa needs leaders with passion, knowledge, experience, and skills to collaborate successfully with people on the local, regional, and state levels to accomplish that. And District Three needs a leader who understands budgets, general plans, transit overlays and taxing methods, is willing to listen to residents' concerns, and work to find solutions. I am that candidate. Lastly, leadership takes a willingness to sacrifice for the good of the community. With a \$7.3 million deficit, Yucaipa needs to tighten its belt in every way possible. I will decline my stipend as a council member; It won't end the deficit, but we must start somewhere. Read more: Gigi4Yucaipa3.com

LYLE VICK
Business Owner

Age: 38

I am running for City Council because I feel I can bring balance to the Council, as a lifelong resident of thirty-eight years and owner of a successful business, I have valuable perspective to offer. I genuinely care for this City and its residents and the fact that we are public servants, bound to represent our constituents is not lost on me. I will dutifully work for the people I represent and seek their insight on important subjects that may adversely affect their lives. I am passionate about the things I volunteer for which include the city planning commission and special needs sports organizations. I am blue collar and find solace in the process of doing the work and work is what this town needs. I stand for accountability, and I would like you to join me in navigating this city to its full potential. Please vote for me come November.

JUDY WOOLSEY
Non-Profit CEO

I am a 27 year homeowner and resident of Yucaipa. As a widowed senior living on a fixed income, I know the challenges of making ends meet today. We are faced with financial decisions daily; balancing wants against our necessities and settling on what we can afford. The same principles must apply at City Hall when the council decides how to spend the people's money with which we are entrusted. The city must live within our means while ensuring necessities such as public safety, public infrastructure maintenance, and quality of life are sustainable without increasing the tax burden on an already struggling population. I have the time to devote to serving the community I love. I am a member of the Yucaipa Elks Lodge, Active Church, and I have served 8 terms on the Yucaipa Land Yacht Harbor Board, 4 as president. Under my leadership we have had no increase in space rent for a decade. I would be honored to have your vote in my commitment to serve as your representative at City Hall. If you have questions or input, please feel free to call me at (909) 677-0499. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of my candidacy.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 4
CITY OF YUCAIPA**

KRISTINE K. MOHLER
Businesswoman

Age: 63

This is the most important election in Yucaipa's history. It will determine the trajectory of Yucaipa's future from here on out! If you want change in City Hall, vote for me.

My name is Kristine Mohler and I will bring fiscal responsibility back to City Hall. I will not vote for excessive taxes and "fees" to finance any irresponsible spending.

I pledge to protect our General Plan from destructive zoning changes. I am endorsed by former Mayor Dick Riddell and former Mayor Pro Tem Diane Smith.

I have lived in Yucaipa for 30 years. I hold a Bachelor's degree from UC Davis and own my own business. I am married, have 2 kids and 2 grandkids. I have served Yucaipa on the Trails and Open Space Committee for 20 years and as chairperson for 9 years. I organize the "Take a Hike Yucaipa". I was voted "Citizen of the Year" in 2019.

I will restore what has been lost in our city; family values, caring for our friends and neighbors, and the small town feel of a unique, cohesive community.

I have a servant's heart and will serve the community; not self-interests. Please vote for me, Kristine Mohler.

JUSTIN BEAVER
Police Detective

Age: 36

I am honored to seek re-election to the Yucaipa City Council, and I humbly ask for your continued support. In these challenging times, steadfast leadership and practical solutions are critically important. My experience as your Councilman and Mayor has equipped me to navigate financial and societal challenges with prudence and foresight.

As your Mayor, I have:

- Prioritized public safety.
- Reduced homelessness and related crime.
- Opened lines of communication by creating the Walk with the Mayor series, explaining the "why," and adopting the Yucaipa Sunshine Ordinance, making our city government more transparent than ever.

I am committed to finding innovative ways to balance our budget and believe a safe Yucaipa will attract those businesses which will generate revenue through business and capitalism.

I have upheld our traditional values while embracing progress that benefits all residents. Whether advocating for public safety enhancements, supporting local businesses, or preserving our community's character, I have always placed the interests of Yucaipa first.

We need experienced leadership to guide us through these uncertain times. With your vote, I pledge to continue serving Yucaipa with integrity, dedication, and a commitment to common sense solutions. Let's ensure a prosperous future for our beloved city.

Thank you for your trusted support.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 5
CITY OF YUCAIPA**

JON THORP
Deputy Sheriff

Age: 50

Like you, I love Yucaipa. I raised my family here and lived here for over 27 years. As a San Bernardino County Deputy Sheriff, I patrolled our community for many years. During that time, I developed a rapport with the public, business owners and local leaders.

I am running for re-election to the Yucaipa City Council because I want to continue our path to a balanced budget, improve the quality of life in our City, and continue to support recreational activities for our youth and adults.

As a law enforcement officer for 23 years, I believe the top priority of any government is to ensure the safety of its residents. I have continually supported public safety as a main priority as our city has grown.

As a longtime resident, I know we need to be proactive about policy making. I support responsible business growth to bring in more revenue to support our infrastructure, public safety, maintain safe schools, good trails, and improve our roads and streets.

I am proud to be supported by my fellow law enforcement officers and I would be honored to earn your vote.

Email jonthorp4yucaipa@gmail.com with any questions.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 4
TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY**

ROBERT E. LOMBARDO
Incumbent

Age: 69

For the past 39 years, I have actively championed my community. Apart from my role on the Town Council of Yucca Valley, most know me as "the dentist that caters to cowards." Others know me as the husband of past Copper Mountain College board president, Mary Lombardo, and others know me as Abby and Nick's dad. I take great pride in my tenure on the Town Council and the improvements we brought to Yucca Valley.

Planning, funding, and budgeting many of the services we now enjoy.

- Parks- Essig Dog Park, Brehm Sports Complex, North Park, and Paradise Park
- New Library Facility
- Animal Shelter
- Senior housing, senior center improvements and senior services
- Sustained community programs and partnerships

The dream is not complete. Allow me to continue to serve Yucca Valley as we thrive with a new fire station, more cultural activities, and a vibrant, prosperous, and sustainable downtown. For 39 years, I have built my career, my family, my life and my dreams in Yucca Valley. Vote for Robert Lombardo, Yucca Valley Town Council, District 4. Make Yucca Valley the place where you choose to build your dreams too!

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS
HELENDALE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT**

ARTIE JANE DEVRIES
Realtor

Age: 61

My name is Artie DeVries. I am a 36-year resident of Helendale and Silver Lakes. My history with this area started as a dairy farmer in 1988, just seven miles outside Silver Lakes. We also enjoyed residences in Silver Lakes, taking advantage of all the wonderful amenities. My sons and I worked the land as farmers, our dairy was involved with the original adjudication of water rights in 1998. The adjudication was an important development in the history of the Mojave River Basin.

I currently serve on the Apple Valley Sheriffs Posse for over 5 years. Search and Rescue has been a way for me to fill the need of community service. I am an avid equestrian, with my horse 'Dixie' stabled in the Equestrian Center.

There are many activities I enjoy provided by the HCSD, for example, Concerts in the Park, the Thrift Store, the Open-Air Market, and especially Dump Day. I would love to serve on the board and improve on the already wonderful services provided to our community. I am also interested in developing programs to make Helendale as self-sufficient as possible.

Thank you for your time and be sure to vote!

DAVID HART
Retired

Age: 66

I have been attending CSD meetings for more than 4 years now, even through covid. During that time I participated in conversations with the various companies supplying services to our community, volunteered helping in community clean up events as well as concerts in the park, the Bunny Run and several other events that happen throughout the year and have been active as a Citizen on Patrol for over 3 years.

For 6 years I proudly served in the Marine Corps, mostly as supply NCO for the company watching over inventory and expenditures making sure that the Marines had what they needed to get the job accomplished correctly.

Being blessed, I owned my own business in Hesperia, Mojave Countertops, working with home and business construction from start to finish, networking with the buyers, builders and contractors to facilitate their needs as best possible.

Now I am retired from the USPS after 20+ years and am ready to help my community, where I have been living for 14 years, continue to thrive. As a member of the CSD I would continue with the prudent planning and savings that have advanced and secured the infrastructure of Helendale.

BILLY BURK ROSENBERG
Business Owner

Age: 58

I, Billy Rosenberg, announce my candidacy for the Helendale Community Service District Board of Directors. I believe that community service is the most important attribute an individual can offer. I'm a past president of the Barstow Rotary Club, and I was on the Board of Directors for the Barstow Chamber of Commerce. I served for 14 years on The Silver Lakes Homeowners Association Board of Directors, holding many positions, including president. Knowledge of my community is beneficial for making sound decisions for the residents.

I believe that a time of growth for the Helendale community is coming. It is the responsibility of board members to respond proactively to the possible influx of businesses and the infrastructural needs of our community. We also must be good Stewards of our existing assets. A plan for an upgrade to the wastewater treatment plant offsetting the cost by writing grants and investigating existing financial avenues that will help maintain an affordable cost of living for the residents is a priority.

I am optimistic that when I am elected, together, we will continue to enhance our community and make financially sound decisions for the future of all stakeholders of the Helendale community.

HENRY H. SPILLER
Incumbent

Henry Spiller has been the President of the Helendale CSD Board for the past 2 years and has been on the Board for over 8 years. He and his wife Annette have lived in our community for 19 years.

Henry is an avid volunteer and is a member of the local Citizens on Patrol Unit (COP's), currently serving as Commander. He also volunteered with the Victorville Highway Patrol. Henry has participated on SLA committees, coached youth sports and is a member of the Silver Lakes Entertainers and Player Performers. In acknowledgement of these many contributions to the community, Henry was nominated as Man-of-the-Year in 2018.

Your vote for Henry will continue his efforts to maintain, improve and develop activities and facilities that benefit our growing community. Henry feels strongly about maintaining sound fiscal policies to ensure the District is run in an efficient and transparent manner. Henry's focus is on keeping an ample water supply, budget discipline, maintaining low rates and working towards a safe and secure community. Projects completed include an active senior center, a new well, new water meters and wastewater projects that ensure the District meets all regulatory requirements.

Please vote for Henry Spiller for Helendale CSD.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS
PHELAN PINON HILLS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT**

DEBORAH J. PHILIPS
Community Member / Veteran

Age: 53

My name is Deborah Philips, and I am running for re-election to the PPHCSD Board. As a current board member and a proud U.S. military veteran, I bring a wealth of experience, dedication, and a strong commitment to serving our community.

During my tenure on the board, I have consistently advocated for initiatives that prioritize community service and the provision of low-cost water. My military background has instilled in me a deep sense of duty, discipline, and the importance of working collaboratively to achieve common goals.

I am dedicated to ensuring that our community continues to receive the high-quality services it deserves. I will focus on maintaining and improving our water infrastructure while keeping costs affordable for all residents. My goal is to enhance the quality of life in our community by supporting sustainable and cost-effective solutions.

I deeply care about our community and have always strived to represent your interests with integrity and transparency. I am committed to continuing this work and making positive changes for our future.

I humbly ask for your support and vote to continue serving you on the PPHCSD Board. Together, we can achieve great things.

Thank you.

REBECCA A. KUJAWA
Incumbent

Age: 53

My name is Rebecca A Kujawa, and I am running for the Phelan Pinon Hills Community Services District, Board of Directors.

I believe all residents deserve access to quality water, recycling, community parks, and activities.

I have served on the board for five years and participated in the Solid Waste & Recycling, Park & Recreation, and Engineering Committees. With our dedicated park staff, we initiated the annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony. This year, we brought a new well online and are preparing for the Civic Center Project, which will provide new administration offices and expand our parks.

My family has lived here for 20 years. I have worked for Snowline School District for 16 years, currently as a Librarian. My previous employment was in finance. Additionally, I have volunteered with the Phelan Chamber of Commerce for nearly eight years, holding positions of Director, Treasurer, and President. My volunteer work includes Phelan Phun Days and concerts in the park. These experiences enable me to collaborate effectively with other board members and staff to serve our district and community.

I look forward to continuing to serve in the upcoming years.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS
WRIGHTWOOD COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT**

MARTHA MCFauls

Age: 71

Retired Civil Engineering Tech

I believe that all Wrightwood Residents deserve a high-quality of life - through local Community Services and Representatives.

My education and former work experience will enable me to advocate effectively and professionally on the Community's behalf. As your next elected member of the Board of Directors of the community Services District, I will consider past, current, and future needs of our Community, provide insight and recommendations on various issues and programs related to our community.

My husband, Ken and I, along with our children and grandchildren, volunteer throughout the community and support the local businesses.

- Wrightwood Village Trail: 2019 - Present
- Board of Directors - Wrightwood Property Owners Association: 2022 - Present
- The Volunteers of the Angeles National Forest Service: 2022 - Present
- Adopt-a-Highway Program: May 2024

Vote for Martha McFauls! Thank you for your support!

RICK J. CHRISTENSEN

- I believe Wrightwood needs improvements in its utilities, especially the sewers. Wrightwood need not be known for rows of porta potties along highway 2 during peak tourism times. At these times our sewer systems are grossly overloaded. Some technical decisions are looming. A director with engineering infrastructure experience in utilities, ,sewer ,water ,project management, various regulatory authorities and leadership will greatly help. I have this experience.

- I believe that involving state, county, Community Services District directors and managers, and local folks into our projects, will bring good gains and large savings to our community. With this in mind, sewer committee members, community members, myself, and others, came together and formed a visionary solution. The pilot solution will be implemented at the community center/parks area first and later used in other Wrightwood areas such as commercial locations. Some communication led to the county funding \$321,000. This project can go forward without costing Wrightwood taxpayers one additional cent!

-The next Wrightwood utility needs, such as ground water expansion (climate change remediation) can proceed just as successfully.

Regardless of the outcome, thank you for voting!

JILL M. CARLTONPAYNE

Community Volunteer

I grew up in Wrightwood, and attended Wrightwood Elementary. My actions as an adult have demonstrated my commitment to, and love for Wrightwood. I have attended the CSD meetings and have stayed tuned into the issues. I'm ready to hit the road running to serve the people of Wrightwood, and to make the best use of your tax dollars while being a responsible public steward.

As the High Desert is developed, I want to make sure the character of our community is not impacted by those who would take advantage of our beautiful setting, and quantity of life in our special community. The success of our business community is important for the preservation of Wrightwood and the lifestyle we all enjoy. Collaboration and communication are key to supporting our business community.

Keeping Wrightwood safe, must be of the greatest importance for us all. I will work to bring back greater Sheriff visibility in Wrightwood. I will work to strengthen our fire protection and disaster preparedness for our community.

CHAD MICHAEL KEEL

Age: 36

Wrightwood Business Owner

I am proud to call Wrightwood, Phelan, and Pinon Hills home. These tri-communities are a unique treasure in Southern California, where I've raised my family and built my businesses. Our unincorporated status allows us to maintain the rural charm and independence that define our way of life, but we must remain vigilant in preserving this autonomy.

Local control is essential. We know our community's needs better than politicians in San Bernardino, whose urban-focused policies often miss the mark in rural areas like ours. We should take every opportunity to govern ourselves, keeping our decisions and taxes local. Our Community Service District (CSD) members must explore all options to expand our local powers and reduce reliance on San Bernardino County.

By strengthening our local governance, we can better protect the character and integrity of Wrightwood. Let's ensure that decisions affecting our community are made by those who live here, understand our challenges, and share our vision for the future.

Together, we can maintain the independence that makes our communities special and continue to thrive on our own terms.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ARROWBEAR PARK COUNTY WATER DISTRICT**

CRAIG CARPENTER
Mapping Specialist

I am dedicated to ensuring that Arrowbear has affordable, clean, and reliable water. By improving our financial position, sustainably managing our watershed, and carefully planning future infrastructure, we can maintain local control while keeping costs low for all residents. I'm committed to working with our fire department to ensure we become a Firewise community and are prepared for the increasing threat of wildfires. My goal is to take advantage of grant funding to build a resilient community, prepared to face fire-related challenges. I've volunteered as a lookout on Keller Peak and was a member of the Mountain Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and currently serve on the board of the San Bernardino Mountains Land Trust. I have a Master's degree in Geographic Information Systems from the University of Redlands, which I've used as a volunteer for the Mountain Rim Firesafe Council to map the locations where chipping and hazardous tree removal programs have reduced fuel loads in mountain communities. Thank you for your consideration.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS DIVISION 4
CHINO VALLEY INDEPENDENT FIRE DISTRICT**

JOHN T. DEMONACO
Retired Fire Chief

I am asking for your vote. It has been my honor and pleasure to serve you on the Board of Directors of Chino Valley Independent Fire District. My wife and I have lived in the Chino Valley since 1992. I am a retired Fire Chief with decades of firefighting and life saving experience. I'm a proud Vietnam veteran of the United States Navy.

My education included an Associate in Science degree in Fire Science and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Public Management. I earned the title of Executive Fire Officer from the National Fire Academy. My experience includes completing numerous courses through FEMA'S Emergency Management Institute.

I believe in honest, open and transparent government! My continuing commitment to you is sound principled leadership and prudent fiscal management; while providing residents of Chino Valley with the outstanding public safety and fire protection that you deserve.

During my time on the Board of Directors, major accomplishments include:

- Opened three new Fire Stations
- Became a "Heart Safe and Bleed Safe Community"
- Bringing Ambulance Transportation to the Community
- Paying down our Retirement obligations

Please vote to re-elect John DeMonaco to the Board of Directors of the Chino Valley Independent Fire District. johndemonaco@verizon.net

ANDREW M. ROMAINE
Retired Firefighter

Age: 58

Neighbors, my name is Andrew Romaine and I would like your vote for Chino Valley Fire District Board Director, Division 4. I am a Retired Firefighter with 32 years of public service spanning two cities. I have been married for 32 years, have two adult children, and have lived in our beautiful community since 1999.

We currently have one of the best Fire Departments in California and I will use my experience to continue us on that path, as well as strive to make us better. During my career as a firefighter, I served on our Haz Mat team, USAR team and Apparatus Committee, as well as being assigned to our Paramedic station for several years. These skills will help serve this community as a Board Director by giving me critical insight into our department's needs. I also had the opportunity to travel to Sacramento and Washington DC to advocate for legislature to improve firefighter health and safety. My experience dealing with Senators and Representatives is vital in helping us get state and federal funding, as well as grants to continue making our department great.

I would be honored to earn your support and your vote.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS DIVISION 1
INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY**

MARCO TULE
Environmental Engineer

Inland Empire Utilities Agency Board Members unanimously support Marco Tule for re-election!

With two decades of professional experience as a nuclear chemist, power plant chemist, environmental engineer, water treatment specialist, and operations supervisor in energy generating and water treatment facilities, I bring valuable experience to the IEUA. I am proud to serve as your Board President and will continue to deliver for you if re-elected.

I am uniquely qualified and have vast experience operating some of the state's most critical utility infrastructure throughout Southern California.

As Board President, I have worked tirelessly to:

- Prioritize regional workforce development, creating jobs throughout the Inland Empire
- Create a local small business procurement process to keep our taxpayer dollars in the local economy
- Prioritize increasing our underground water storage capacity, increasing water supplies during drought conditions
- Provide safe and reliable drinking water while keeping our rates lower than any other agency regionwide

With your vote, I plan to continue to uplift the issues that matter most to us, such as keeping rates low and investing locally in infrastructure and water quality.

This November, I humbly ask you to vote for professional experience and re-elect Marco Tule to Inland Empire Utilities Agency.

CHRISTIAN G. GARCIA
Nonprofit Administrator

Age: 45

We cannot take for granted the profound impact of clean drinking water, adequate sewerage and increasingly, the conservation of water through the expanded use of recycled water. In my business and philanthropic travels, I have seen this impact firsthand here in the US and around the world.

Truly, water is the backstory to this area that we call home. As a board of trustee member at the OMHA, we gathered artists and storytellers and created exhibits to raise awareness of our history in this region built on top of the Chino Water Basin. The capture, conservation and treatment of water is not only our lifeline, it's our legacy.

As a business owner and non-profit administrator, I've spent the past 20 years listening to stakeholders' needs and responding by developing leaders and facilitating collaborative solutions. My hope is to now continue this work, coupled with a keen focus on water and infrastructure, by representing my neighbors as a board member of the IEUA. Through collaboration and partnership, our region can continue to do great and far-reaching things. Together, we can advance toward the shared goal of creating a drought resilient region that is prosperous and balanced for ourselves and our children.

KATI PARKER
Water Resources Engineer

Age: 55

Protect your water and stop rate hikes by voting to elect experienced leadership.

I have a 31 year record of fiscally responsible leadership, efficient business practices, water supply management and environmental stewardship. My strengths include my education, extensive community and water board experience and Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA) work experience.

Endorsed by: City Council - Shannan Maust, Carlos Garcia, Water Board - Manny Martinez, Tony Lopez and many more

Education: BS - Environmental Resources Engineering 1993, MS - Civil Engineering, UCLA 1999 and Public Administration Doctoral student, University of LaVerne.

IEUA Experience: I worked at IEUA in the wastewater operations, engineering and water resources departments, managing the first recycled water distribution system and recharge site (1993-2004). I served on the IEUA Board (2016-2020).

Community Service and Board Experience: Chino Basin Water Conservation District Board (18 years), IEUA Board, Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority Commission, West End Consolidated Water Company Board Chair, San Antonio Water Company Board, Pomona Valley Protective Association, Chino Desalter Authority, Upland Heritage, Cooper Museum, AYSO, Mt. Baldy school PTC.

I have lived in this community for 31 years with my husband and children. I am skilled in water, wastewater and policy making.

Learn more: www.katithewaterlady.com
<https://www.facebook.com/ElectKatiParker>

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS DIVISION 1
SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT**

JUNE D. HAYES

SBValleyMWD Member, Board of Directors, Division 1

Water is vital to every community. A well-managed water wholesaler is essential to providing a safe and reliable water supply, and the lowest rates possible.

I am proud to be a part of a team delivering water to your water company for your use. I humbly ask you to consider the following:

During my tenure on the Board, we have lowered the rates on your property taxes four times. Since I have been on the Board the District has cut property taxes by \$30.6 million. I am committed to continue to work toward assuring there is water for you and well into the future. I will continue to work toward the water needs of the District and assure not only that the water needs of the District are met but that our needs in the west end of the District are also met. If you choose to vote for me, I assure you I will continue to work toward providing a reliable, sustainable water source for your water company into the future, even during droughts. Please consider voting for me, but whether you vote for me or not, please vote.

To learn more, visit my website
www.junehayes4waterboard.com

JOSE VELASQUEZ

Water Finance Professional

Age: 39

As a lifelong member of our local community, father of two, and career water finance professional with over fifteen years of leadership at several municipal water districts across Southern California, I know that water is the lifeblood of our communities.

Our district needs to be responsible to its residents. Rising water costs have impacted our ratepayer's property taxes and ultimately their pocketbooks. At a time when inflation is hurting many families in our region, I will fight to ensure that the cost of our water stays low.

I firmly believe it's our duty to manage our water resources responsibly to ensure they're available for the next generation. This means using every drop wisely, while investing in critical infrastructure that helps conserve water and lower water rates over time. Under my leadership, agencies I have worked for have received millions of dollars in grants to build infrastructure while minimizing the costs to our ratepayers.

Throughout my career, I have worked with passion, integrity, and transparency in leading water agencies to financial excellence and balanced budgets. As your San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District board member, I will fight for transparency and accountability for every dollar of taxpayer money spent.

LYNN SUMMERS

Farmer / Small Business Owner

Age: 61

I am running for the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District because I believe in government transparency and that we must give the community and ratepayers the knowledge they need as stewards of one of our most precious resources: water.

I have been a proud resident of Rialto since 2011 and was born and raised in the Inland Empire. As an active community member, I am a Behavioral Health Commissioner, past president of the Rialto Kiwanis Club, community gardener educator for the City of Rialto, and work with the Inland Empire Huerta del Valle farm collective. I am a member of the International Association of Emergency Management, invested in sustainability and health communities.

I am a certified urban farmer, master gardener, and master food preserver. I have numerous certifications in permaculture, native plant design, and irrigation, which allows me to teach the importance of water conversation and stewardship.

I retired from the medical field after 30 years of service and recently graduated from California State University San Bernardino with a degree in Entrepreneurship.

As a wife and mother of three and a blended family of eight, and grandmother of 13, I believe we must protect our valuable resources for future generations.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS DIVISION 2
HESPERIA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT**

KELLY JAY GREGG

Hesperia Recreation And Park District Board Director

Kelly Jay Gregg has been a resident of Hesperia since 1971. Serving as the voice of the community, and taxpayers on the HRPD Governing Board from 2016-2024; with your vote we can continue that voice. Kelly Jay Gregg will continue to be transparent with district funds, and will continue to seek grant funding for our projects. Kelly Jay Gregg will continue his support of youth programs and activities to help maintain a safe place for our youth, and community.

- Kelly currently serves as President of the Hesperia Recreation & Park District and serves on several committees: Safety/Security/Maintenance, Finance, Development Review, Personnel, as well as the Hesperia City Council Advisory Committee.
- Kelly Jay Gregg believes that Taxpayers deserve a strong voice for our youth.
- Kelly Jay Gregg was instrumental in securing over 2 million dollars in grant funding for the district and will continue to support, Little League, Equine, BMX and any activity that benefits the youth of Hesperia.
- Kelly Jay Gregg asks for your vote November 05, 2024, to be your voice on the HRPD.

Kelly Jay Gregg is available to you at (760)985.1193

Or by email directorgregg@hesperiaparks.com

Please Vote Kelly Jay Gregg for Hesperia Recreation & Park District

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS DIVISION 2
CUCAMONGA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT**

MARK GIBBONEY

Age: 70

Director, Cucamonga Valley Water District

I am a husband, father, grandfather, retired Deputy Chief of Police, attorney, and college instructor, now with 5 years experience on the water board. I have an AA, BSL, JD, and MS in Management and continuing education in Special District governance. Elected in November 2019 after advocating for district cost savings, I currently serve as CVWD Vice President.

While almost 400 water systems in California are failing, CVWD provides water meeting all quality standards with rates among the lowest in the region, and an upgraded AA+ bond rating in 2022 from Fitch Ratings Inc. I supported CVWD's return to elections in even years for cost savings. I voted "No" to increased water rates. I oppose burdensome state regulations that will reduce your water supply and significantly increase your rates. I will work to secure new and protect existing water supplies, recharge our groundwater, and seek increased use of reclaimed water.

Success for CVWD depends on having capable board members. I take this responsibility seriously and welcome your input in my decision making. I respectfully ask for your vote to continue this work.

Contact me at mark@markgibboney.com or (909)-560-7768
Visit MarkGibboney.com to learn more.

Thank you for your consideration.

AAJEE WARREN

Water Resources Analyst

Refreshing Leadership for Quality Water and Fair Water Rates

As an experienced Water Resources Analyst, Aajee Warren brings expertise and a fresh perspective to the Cucamonga Valley Water Board.

Aajee has a proven track record in managing our most precious resource and instrumental in developing water policies.

Aajee is committed to improving our water supply. Her hands-on approach and collaborative spirit have earned her the respect and trust of community and water industry leaders.

She is Refreshing Leadership and pledges to:

- Advocate for transparent rate structures.
- Promote community involvement in water district practices.
- Invest in modern infrastructure to secure our water future.

Aajee understands the unique challenges and is dedicated to practical solutions. We can look forward to reliable, high-quality water services and fair rates for our families.

Endorsed by San Bernardino County Supervisor Jesse Armendarez,
Mayor Acquanetta Warren & Council Member Phillip Cothran.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS
EAST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT**

CHRIS CARRILLO Age: 44
East Valley Water District Board Member, Business Owner

San Bernardino County is my home. It's where I grew up, where I'm raising my family, and where I have dedicated my career to public service.

In 2014, I joined the East Valley Water District Board of Directors. Joining a team tasked with making critical decisions concerning water, our community's most precious resource, was one of the most exciting moments in my career. My priorities then are the same as they are today. Provide clean, safe, and reliable water for our community, in the most affordable manner possible.

In my ten years on the East Valley Water District Board, I have served as Chairman and Vice Chairman. During my tenure, my board colleagues, and the EVWD staff, have built a first-class water district, including the following accomplishments:

- Approved, constructed, and completed the award-winning Sterling Natural Resource Center, a world-class water recycling center that created jobs, protected our environment, and secured our water supply
- Invested in critical water infrastructure
- Recognized nationally for fiscal stability and budget transparency
- Awarded Inland Empire Top Workplaces
- Developed nationally recognized water conservation programs and a career pathway program for our high school students

Thank you for your consideration of my candidacy. I would be honored to continue serving you and our community.

MICHAEL STOFFEL Age: 47
Highland Small Business Owner

As a resident of the East Valley for 47 years, a small business owner, and a public servant, I understand the importance of working together to benefit our community. Water management is vital to our well-being.

If I represent you on the East Valley Water District Board, I am committed to using every drop wisely. We need representation, not higher water rates during record inflation. I will advocate for investing in critical water infrastructure to lower rates and ensure the district's budget is transparent.

For 23 years, I've served residents as a local realtor, helping individuals achieve the American dream of homeownership throughout the Inland Empire. I also serve as a Planning Commissioner for San Bernardino County, sit on the Sheriff's Information Exchange Committee, am a Past VP of the Highland Chamber of Commerce, and continue to advocate for making our region safe to live, work, and play.

Together, we can create a water-smart future for the East Valley. I'm endorsed by San Bernardino County Supervisor Dawn Rowe, Highland Mayor Penny Lilburn, and SoCal Water Coalition Chairwoman Acquanetta Warren because they know I'm committed to doing what's right for ratepayers, not political agendas. Learn more: VoteMichaelStoffel.com

DAVID E. SMITH
East Valley Water District Member, Board of Directors

Experience matters. When choosing a candidate, ask yourself, "Who is best qualified to provide the stewardship required to ensure a safe, clean, and reliable water source?" I have been a Governing Board member of EVWD for almost 10 years; I understand our local water needs now, and for the future.

Minimizing costs and preparing for drought have challenged water agencies for decades. In 2015, the District opted to build a Water Treatment plant (SNRC). Later, our Board elected to add a Co-Generation component to eliminate electrical costs using food waste materials from our landfills to power the operation. SNRC puts six million gallons of water back into the groundwater basin every day at a savings of eight million dollars a year.

I have been the Municipal Securities Principal at Painter, Smith & Amberg, Inc for 19 years. I more than understand the financial requirements of the District. During the Covid pandemic, I served as EVWD Board Chairman. Our Board was able to secure the supplies needed to build the plant before prices skyrocketed; and refinanced existing debt, saving the District another \$400,000 per year.

Again, fellow Ratepayers, this is the time for a candidate with experience. Thanks for your support!

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS DIVISION 3
JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT**

RYAN MATTHEW CHERLIN
CEO / Small Business Owner

Age: 39

Ryan Cherlin has spent 13+ years working in public policy and global health development, fighting for women's rights and women's health in developing countries around the world. He has worked for the United Nations, USAID, and the world's largest private philanthropy. He has personally overseen teams that have granted more than \$1 billion dollars to create programs and partnerships that have changed more than 4,000 policies and saved more than 40 million lives in developing countries. He spent two years as the first ever Director of Advocacy at the Hilton Foundation, developing a strategy and programs for safe water initiatives and looks forward to bringing his knowledge and skillset to the Joshua Basin Water District board.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS DIVISION 5
JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT**

DEBRA L. TRUNCALE

I am Debra Truncale and I am running for the position of Director for the Board of Directors for the Joshua Basin Water District, Division 5.

I am a member of the Citizens Advisory Council (CAC) for the Water District and have followed the proceedings of the Board of Director meetings. I recently went on a tour of the Water District facilities, which was very interesting and informative.

I have lived in Joshua Tree for 34 years. My husband and I raised our family here. We have volunteered for many activities: our Church, the Red Cross, Hi-Desert Cultural Center, fundraising for the Wrestling team at Yucca Valley High School, Little League Baseball, in our childrens' classrooms and Community Emergency Response Team (CERT).

I am very interested and concerned about the condition of our water and our usage of water. I hope to support our community and our Water District by working with the other Board Members and providing good decisions regarding policies.

Thank you for your support,

Debra Truncale

STACY DOOLITTLE

JBWD Vice President, Board of Directors

Hello neighbors. As a new board member, I've worked hard to keep your monthly bills down by voting against high budgets, and by questioning overly generous staff benefits, unnecessary & expensive equipment, and high-end fleet purchases. I've also advocated for the protection of our long-delayed infrastructure work to prevent expensive leaks and to keep our water safe. I've kept the customers' experience a priority during my tenure, with improvements to the JBWD website and in customer service.

JBWD is now facing the challenge of the contaminant Chromium-6 in our water. We can solve this, and as an economically disadvantaged district we must seek funding via grants and low-cost loans.

I promise to continue good governance of JBWD by increasing transparency and ensuring cost-conscious, yet innovative operations.

Joshua Tree has been my home for sixteen years. We need to work together to keep Joshua Tree the wonderful community that it is, for us now, and for future generations. Our safe water is a crucial part of that goal. I will dedicate my service to achieving it. I ask for your vote. Thank you, Stacy Doolittle.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS DIVISION 6 (SHORT TERM)
MOJAVE WATER AGENCY**

JESSE R. RAMIREZ
Operations Superintendent

Age: 64

I am currently serving as the Mojave Water Agency (MWA) board member representing Division 6. I have spent over 40 years in the water industry. During my career, I have done everything from digging ditches, reading meters, inspecting water pipelines and equipment as well as managing small- and large-scale construction projects. I deal regularly with residents and answer their questions about water quality, water use, and conservation. When businesses are looking to come to our area, I am often the first one to speak with them about what opportunities and challenges await them regarding water.

My family first settled in the High Desert over 100 years ago. My wife and I have been married for 44 years and together we are the proud parents of 3 children and 10 grandchildren. Over the years, I have been a youth soccer coach, service club member, and science fair judge. I am a lifetime member of Saint Joseph Catholic Church and a 3rd degree Knights of Columbus member promoting charitable donations to needy families. I understand the water needs of the High Desert and ask for your vote so I can continue to serve as your representative on the Mojave Water Agency.

**CANDIDATE(S) FOR MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS DIVISION 2
SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

MARK E. FALCONE
Compliance Administrator

For 31 years, Highland has been more than just a place I live, it's been my home. With 35 years of private sector business management leadership and my current role as Commissioner on the Community Advisory Commission for East Valley Water District, I bring a unique blend of business acumen and water industry experience to the table.

As your next elected board member of the San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District, I pledge to provide forward-thinking leadership that addresses our current needs while safeguarding our future.

My top priorities are:

1. Maximizing Water Capture: Collaborating to leverage all available resources in capturing every precious drop of surface water.
2. Balancing Conservation and Use: Ensuring a full groundwater basin while maintaining environmental balance.
3. Prioritizing Water Security: Recognizing that while environmental and habitat concerns are important, they should never outweigh the need for life-sustaining water for our community.

In times of crisis and stability alike, we need sensible leaders capable of setting sound policy and making critical decisions. My extensive experience in business management coupled with my understanding of the water industry, uniquely positions me to be that leader.

Together, we can ensure a sustainable water future for our community.

falcone4sbvwcd@gmail.com

City of Yucaipa Recall Election Member, City Council – District 1

How Recall Elections Work

On your ballot you will find:

- A question asking whether Matt Garner should be recalled (removed) from office.

After the votes are tallied:

- If there are more "Yes" votes than "No" votes on a recall question, Matt Garner will be recalled (removed) from office.
- If there are more "No" votes than "Yes" votes on the recall question, or if there is a tie vote, Matt Garner shall remain in office.

Recall Election Statement and Answer

On the following pages, you will find:

- **Statement of Reasons for Recall**

The statement of reasons for recall that was filed by the proponents of the recall.

- **Answer to Statement of Reasons for Recall**

An answer to the statement of reasons for recall that was filed by the office holder whose recall is being sought.

- **Office Holder's Statement**

An office holder's statement provides the office holder an opportunity to speak directly to voters.
The statement is optional and printed at the office holder's own expense.

Recall Election Statement and Answer (continued)

Statement of Reasons for Recall

TO THE HONORABLE Matt Garner: Pursuant to Section 11020, California Elections Code, the undersigned registered qualified voters of City of Yucaipa Council District 1, in the State of California, hereby give notice that we are the proponents of a recall petition and that we intend to seek your recall and removal from the office of City Council, in Yucaipa, California. The grounds for the recall are as follows:

Given the San Bernardino County Civil Grand Jury investigation of the Yucaipa City Council and resulting 2023 Report, we want voters to decide if Matt Garner should be removed from office. The following quotes are from the Grand Jury's report:

"...the Yucaipa City Council has developed a reputation among many residents of ignoring the concerns of the public and of fostering an atmosphere of mistrust, disdain, anger, resentment, lack of transparency and appearances of conflicts of interest." p146

"Yucaipa City Council's failure to publicly announce openings for City Manager and City Attorney, as well as other controversial votes/decisions has created in the public an appearance of lack of transparency." p149

"The Grand Jury found that some residents viewed the appointment of the City Council's choice for City Manager and City Attorney as a move to assure that the Council could approve the Serrano Estates Project." p136

"The Council did not follow its own city code." p142

"Some Council Members do not have the knowledge necessary for effective governance." p143

Answer to Statement of Reasons for Recall

Just four months after I first took office, a small group who had supported my opponent in the 2022 election, and who oppose any development on the North Bench, attempted to recall me. They failed. Now they are trying again, for the 3rd time in one year. This group's vicious lies even prompted a San Bernardino County Civil Grand Jury investigation. Their misleading recall petition language quotes, out of context, incomplete bits and pieces of the resulting report, conveniently leaving out the main point: "The Grand Jury found no violation." p137 That's right, absolutely no legal wrongdoing was found. I am proud that I voted along with a majority of the City Council to replace the former City Manager with new City Manager Chris Mann. I wanted a City Manager who would focus on the right priorities: public safety, homelessness, road maintenance, and correcting fiscal mismanagement. With my support and urging, these are now officially the City's top goals. City Hall is finally acting on what residents actually care about. Meanwhile, recall proponents have failed to produce a shred of evidence to support their outlandish accusations. I want honest, straightforward government, which is why I voted for the Yucaipa Sunshine Ordinance, making City Hall more transparent than ever. I love Yucaipa and am fighting to protect it.

s/ Matt Garner

10948 Hawkridge Road
Yucaipa, CA 92399

Office Holder's Statement

MATT GARNER

Yucaipa Councilmember / Businessman

Five months after I was elected to the City Council in 2022, my former opponent launched a recall against me. She couldn't accept that she lost to a political outsider.

This recall isn't about what's best for Yucaipa, it's about a losing candidate and her supporters trying to get even. The City Clerk prevailed in a lawsuit against the recall proponents because they lied to the voters. How can you trust anything they say?

Here's the truth - in the short time I've served on City Council, I've been delivering results for Yucaipa residents:

- Launched Yucaipa's first Homeless Strategic Plan, leading to a 41% decrease in homelessness in its first few months alone.
- Passed the Sunshine Ordinance, bringing transparency to City Hall and eliminating back-room deals.
- Shelved new roundabout projects and secured a record \$4.1 million for road repaving.
- Fully-funded our police and fire departments.
- Cut wasteful government spending.
- Adopted a plan to protect the North Bench from state-mandated high-density development.
- Cleaned up City Hall and corrected fiscal mismanagement.

I love Yucaipa and I'm fighting to protect it!

Please don't be fooled – this recall is based on lies.

Join police, firefighters, business owners, and residents in voting NO on the recall.

Matt Garner

**BOND MEASURE A
VICTOR VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF BOND MEASURE A

This Impartial Analysis of Bond Measure A has been prepared by the County Counsel pursuant to Section 9500 of the California Elections Code.

This Measure was placed on the ballot by a resolution adopted by the Governing Board of the Victor Valley Union High School District (District). A "yes" vote by at least fifty-five percent of the voters voting on this Measure will authorize the District to issue bonds to benefit the District in the amount of \$180,000,000. A "no" vote means that the District will not be authorized to issue and sell the \$180,000,000 in bonds set forth in the Measure.

The District's Resolution No. 25-04 was adopted pursuant to California Education Code sections 5322 and 15264 et seq. and section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution. The bond proceeds may only be used for specific school facilities projects listed under the "Project List." The "Project List" in the full text of the Measure contains the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this ballot Measure and such proceeds may only be used for those specific projects. These projects include upgrades and improvements to specified school facilities to reduce local school overcrowding; acquiring, replacing, upgrading, expanding or installing student classrooms; upgrading and/or replacing gas lines, plumbing and restrooms; upgrading, improving, expanding and/or constructing facilities that support the health, wellness and mental health of students; upgrading, improving school sites/grounds and facilities for students with disabilities; updating, expanding and installing facilities and technology equipment to support vocational programs, STEM programs, and visual and performing arts programs; construction of additional facilities; and other improvements.

The District will conduct financial and performance audits annually to ensure that the bond proceeds are spent only on the school facility projects listed in the Measure and will appoint an independent citizens' oversight committee, as required by Education Code section 15272, which may review audits, inspect school facilities, review deferred maintenance proposals, and review efforts to maximize bond revenues in order to ensure bond revenues are used for proper purposes and that no funds are used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other school operating expenses.

The estimated tax rate to repay these bonds is \$23 per \$100,000 assessed value. The District estimates that the tax will raise a total of \$10,000,000 in additional revenue per year. Information on the projected tax rate is available in the "Tax Rate Statement" attached to the Measure and is based on projections and estimates from official sources and are not binding upon the District. The bonded debt will be a general obligation of the District and will be financed by taxes levied annually on taxable property located within the District.

TOM BUNTON
County Counsel
s/ JOLENA E. GRIDER
Deputy County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF BOND MEASURE A

This Argument in Favor of Bond Measure A was submitted pursuant to Section 9501 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

Reduce Overcrowding in Our Local Schools! For Safe Classrooms – Vote YES on A!

To recruit and retain quality teachers, keep children and teachers safe at school, and prepare students for college and career, vote **YES on A and X!**

Our region is growing. Many of the classrooms at our local schools are overcrowded, preventing students from reaching their full potential, especially those who are gifted or who have special needs.

YES on A REDUCES OVERCROWDING so students and teachers have safe, effective classrooms.

Some of our local schools have outdated learning technology, equipment, and science labs. **YES on A** upgrades local classrooms and labs, ensuring all students have the instructional technology they need for science, technology, engineering, and math.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR – Continued on next page

YES on A expands/upgrades vocational education and job training programs in high-need fields like nursing and other medical careers, public safety, construction, and engineering. Your **YES on A** vote allows students who choose not to go to college to acquire real-world skills and technical knowledge to compete for a job when they graduate.

Measures A and X are **FISCALLY ACCOUNTABLE**, including strict accountability requirements such as public disclosure of all spending, a list of projects that will be funded, and independent annual audits to make sure all funds are used effectively, efficiently, and as promised.

All funds will be used for our local schools. Both Measures A and X include:

- **REQUIRED public spending disclosures.**
- **NO money can be taken by the State.**
- **ALL funds must be spent on our local schools.**
- **NONE of the money can be taken by the County, State, or Federal governments.**

Join a unanimous Victor Valley Union High School District Board of Trustees, local teachers, parents, small business owners, and neighbors – **YES on A and X!** Our local students and families are depending on you!

Factual information visit: www.VVUHSD.org

- s/ Marta Pohlman-Kapelos, Classroom Teacher
- s/ Michael Mayo, Victor Valley Teachers Association President
- s/ Tanya Martin, California School Employees Association Chapter 243 President
- s/ Preston Brown, Small Business Owner
- s/ Kristina Madrigal, Victor Valley H.S. Graduate

TAX RATE STATEMENT FOR BOND MEASURE A

FORMAL NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOND ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the qualified electors of the Victor Valley Union High School District of San Bernardino County, California, that in accordance with the provisions of the Education Code of the State of California, an election will be held on November 5, 2024, within the District, at which election the following measure shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the District and voted upon:

VICTOR VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT OVERCROWDING/SAFETY MEASURE. To attract quality teachers, reduce high school overcrowding, prepare students for college and careers by: expanding the number of classrooms, including vocational/science/engineering labs; up-to-date school security/safe drinking water systems; shall Victor Valley Union High School District's measure authorizing \$180,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, levying \$23 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation, raising approximately \$10,000,000 annually while bonds are outstanding be adopted, requiring oversight, public spending disclosure, all funds be spent locally?

"Bonds – Yes

Bonds – No"

The bonds shall bear interest at an annual rate not exceeding the statutory maximum. The maturity of the bonds shall not exceed the maximum term allowed by law at the time of issuance (currently 25 years if issued under Education Code section 15140, or 40 years if issued under Government Code section 53508, so long as the bonds are not capital appreciation bonds ("CABs," which CABs are limited to 25 years)). Accordingly, as further set forth in the tax rate statement, the *ad valorem* tax will be levied at such rates and for so long as may be required to meet the debt service needs of the bonds proposed to be issued, including such bonds that may be issued to refund any approved bonds.

All of the purposes enumerated in the foregoing measure shall be united and voted upon as one single measure, with precincts, places of holding the elections and officers appointed to conduct the elections to be the same as those provided for the statewide general election to be held on November 5, 2024, under the Notice of Election published _____.

This election has been called pursuant to a Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Victor Valley Union High School District, adopted on August 1, 2024. The Elections Official of the County of San Bernardino hereby gives formal notice of the election in accordance with the provisions of Education Code section 15120.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this ____ day of _____, 2024.

Registrar of Voters

FULL TEXT FOR BOND MEASURE A

INTRODUCTION

The Victor Valley Union High School District serves the Victorville, Adelanto, Helendale, Oro Grande and Silver Lakes communities, located generally in the Mojave High Desert Region of San Bernardino County, with a student population of approximately 11,000 students in eleven schools, serving seventh through twelfth grade. The District needs facilities and infrastructure improvements to repair classrooms and leaky roofs, provide safe and clean drinking water, replace outdated electrical, heating and air conditioning systems, remove lead paint, mold, and asbestos, and make other overdue and necessary improvements so all students can learn in clean, healthy and safe classrooms..

BOND MEASURE

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As required by the California Constitution, the proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be used only for the purposes authorized under Article XIII A of the California Constitution, including construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, as specifically set forth in this Measure, and costs incident thereto, and not for any other purpose, including salaries and other routine school operating expenses.

The following list describes the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds of the bonds. The scope of specific projects, the order of construction, and their completion is contingent on final project costs and the availability of needed funds. Further, projects on the project list are of the type that issuing the authorized general obligation bonds as stated will not cause the State to reduce any financial hardship contribution that would otherwise be available to the District had these bonds not been authorized, issued, and or expended for their stated purpose.

SCHOOL FACILITIES PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED FROM BOND PROCEEDS

The following list includes both projects that can be completed using the bond proceeds, along with State matching funds and other building funds the District is projected to receive and projects that are planned and needed but whose construction is contingent on the amount of bond funds available, plus the amount of State matching and other building funds the District may receive in the future, which is a function of the State building program rules, passage of State bonds, and the growth rate of the District. The completion of specific projects is also contingent on final project costs.

PROJECT LIST

The Board of Trustees of the Victor Valley Union High School District is committed to safe, high-quality schools with appropriate numbers of students per classroom, and up-to-date science technology engineering and mathematics (STEM) labs and up-to-date technology systems to keep pace with modern classroom learning standards. To that end, the Board evaluated the District's urgent and critical facility needs, including safety issues, class size, computer and educational technology, enrollment trends and needs analysis in developing the scope of projects to be funded. The District conducted a facilities evaluation and received extensive public input in developing the plan through school site interactions, community input, opinion leader input, and interactive materials. Teachers, staff, parents, community members and the Board have prioritized the key health and safety needs so that the most critical facility needs are addressed. The Board concluded that if these needs are not addressed now, the problems will only become more pressing and expensive to address. **Therefore, in approving this Project List, the Board of Trustees determines that the District:**

- (i) **Must ensure that students learn in schools and classrooms with appropriate numbers of students to maintain and improve the high quality of education for each student in the District now and in the near future;**
- (ii) **Must keep schools healthy, safe and clean;**
- (iii) **Must retain and attract high quality teachers;**

- (iv) **Must adhere to specific fiscal accountability safeguards such as:**
- (a) All spending must be subject to public disclosure
 - (b) All expenditures must be subject to annual independent financial audits,
 - (c) No funds can be used for administrators' salaries and pensions,
 - (d) Funds must be subject to local control and provide equity at all of our schools and benefit every school in the District,
 - (e) An independent citizens' oversight committee must be appointed to ensure that all funds are spent only as authorized.

The Project List includes the following types of upgrades and improvements at the District's following school campuses and facilities so that **ALL STUDENTS HAVE ACCESS TO UP-TO-DATE CLASSROOMS, TECHNOLOGY, AND LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES:**

School Facilities	
• Adelanto High School	• Cobalt Institute of Math and Science
• Goodwill Education Center	• Hook Junior High School
• Lakeview Leadership Academy	• Larrea Middle School
• Silverado High School	• University Preparatory School
• Victor Valley High School	• Victor Valley Adult School
• Victor Valley Virtual Academy	• Other Districtwide School Facilities

The specific types of projects authorized to be financed with proceeds of the bonds under this proposition are as follows:

<u>Projects to Reduce Overcrowding for Safe, Effective Classrooms</u>
<p><u>Goal and Purpose:</u> To reduce local school overcrowding so students –including those who are gifted and have special needs--can learn and reach their potential in school and complete other school facilities upgrades, including, but not limited to, the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acquire, replace, upgrade, expand and/or install student classrooms, including, but not limited to, vocational/career technical, science and engineering labs. • Renovate, replace and/or install drinking water facilities. • Acquire, replace, upgrade and/or install student, teacher and administrator safety and security systems, including lighting, fencing, smoke detectors, fire alarms, sprinklers, security alarms, signage, safety doors, safety locks and hardware, cameras and emergency communication systems. • Upgrade and/or replace, gas lines, plumbing and restrooms. • Upgrade, improve, expand and/or construct facilities that support health, wellness, and mental health of students. • Upgrade and/or install security window coverings and visitor verification systems. • Upgrade/improve school sites/grounds and facilities and acquire/install equipment and furnishings for students with disabilities and compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act. • Renovate, rehabilitate, re-configure, replace and/or upgrade portable classrooms and restrooms, and furnish and equip the same. • Improve, upgrade and/or re-configure entryways and exits at school campuses.

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- Renovate, repair, resurface, upgrade, expand, construct and/or install and improve paved and other hard surfaces, playgrounds, sports fields/playfields, tracks and landscaping, and acquire, improve, replace and/or upgrade sports fields/related facilities and recreational facilities, equipment and fixtures.
- Reconfigure, renovate, repair, resurface, improve and/or expand roads, sidewalks, driveways, parking lots and related areas, and student pick-up/drop-off areas.

Upgrades and Equipment to Prepare Students for College and Careers

Goal and Purpose: To expand and upgrade vocational/career education and job training programs in high-need fields such as nursing and other medical careers, public safety, construction, engineering and other educational programs, to prepare students for admission to 4- year universities and allow students who choose not to go to college the ability to acquire real-world skills and technical knowledge to compete for good paying jobs, and address other classroom needs for other educational programs, including, but not limited to, the following:

- Update, expand and install facilities and technology equipment to support vocational programs.
- Update, expand and install science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) lab facilities and technology equipment.
- Improve, update and install classroom instructional technology needed for improved student learning.
- Upgrade and expand school library facilities and equipment.
- Upgrade and/or install up-to-date technology, data and communication equipment.
- Renovate, replace, upgrade, acquire, install and integrate electrical (including wiring and related infrastructure for modern technology) and data systems, equipment, power sources and supplies and related technology infrastructure.
- Rehabilitate, install and replace such equipment, fixtures and infrastructure technology equipment.
- Acquire, install and upgrade technology equipment, fixtures and infrastructure, including interactive educational technology and projection systems, computers, tablets, laptops, printers, scanners, digital projectors and cameras, audio systems, video systems, phone and sound projections systems, peripherals, smart boards, education software, telecommunications software, security software, monitors, network equipment (including servers, network interface devices, network switches and routers, wireless network equipment, firewalls, network security equipment, racking, power and cooling equipment, wiring and uninterruptible power supplies), as needed for classroom instructional technology systems.

School Renovation, Expansion, and Upgrade Projects

Goal and Purpose: To ensure all students learn in classrooms that are healthy, clean and safe and/or reduce future maintenance and operating costs, thereby returning more money to the classroom, allowing the District to retain qualified teachers and protect instruction in core subjects like math, science and technology, complete a variety of basic repair projects, including, but not limited to, the following types of projects:

- Renovate, rehabilitate, re-configure, replace, expand and/or upgrade portable and permanent classrooms, classroom buildings, and school support facilities, including interior and exterior doors, windows, door and window hardware, roofs, rain gutters and downspouts, walls, marker boards, ceilings and floors and finishes, paint, siding, insulation, casework, cabinets, carpets, drapes, window coverings, lighting, sinks, fixtures, signage, fencing, furnishings and equipment.
- Improve, update, and/or replace fire safety systems, including fire safety doors, smoke alarms and detectors.
- Improve and increase disabled access.
- Acquire, install and/or construct renewable energy and/or energy-saving systems, improvements and equipment, including photovoltaic solar panels, electricity generation and distribution systems, upgraded insulation, efficient lighting, energy management and conservation systems, windows and structures to support such systems, improvements and equipment and related infrastructure.

- Repair classrooms, restrooms, and deteriorating roofs.
- Rehabilitate, renovate, upgrade and/or replace such systems, improvements and equipment.
- Replace classroom furnishings and equipment.
- Improve school site parking, and student pickup/drop-off areas.
- Repair, replace, and/or install plumbing, heating and air-conditioning systems.

Other School Facility and District-Wide Projects

- Planning, designing and providing temporary housing necessary for listed bond projects.
- Acquisition and improvement of real property and the construction of new school facilities needed to accommodate future increases in student enrollment and/or from reductions in the number students per classroom.
- The inspection and analysis of grounds, buildings and structures to assess health and safety risks to students, faculty, staff, parents and the public and compliance with local, state and federal building, health, safety, access and other related requirements, including seismic safety requirements, Field Act requirements and access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and the improvement, correction, repair or renovation of such grounds, buildings and structures or portions thereof identified as such health and safety risks or acquire, install and/or construct other improvements to comply with such laws and requirements.
- Acquisition of all or a portion of any school site or facility, or an interest therein, or make lease payments with respect to any school site or facility, encumbered in order to finance or refinance the listed bond projects pursuant to a lease, certificate of participation or lease revenue bond financing.
- The inspection, sampling and analysis of grounds, buildings and building materials to determine the presence of hazardous materials or substances, including asbestos, lead, etc., and the encapsulation, removal, disposal and other remediation or control of such hazardous materials and substances.
- Furnishing and equipping of school facilities; furnishing and equipping shall include initial purchases, and scheduled and necessary replacements, upgrades and updating of technology.
- Improve, upgrade, renovate, and/or construct visual and performing arts facilities, including performing arts centers and auditoriums.
- Address other unforeseen conditions revealed by construction, renovation or modernization (including plumbing or gas line breaks, dry rot, seismic and structural deficiencies, etc.).
- All other costs and work necessary and incidental to the listed bond projects.

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The listed projects set forth above will be completed as needed. Each project is assumed to include its share of furnishings, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, program management, staff training expenses and a customary contingency, and escalation for unforeseen design and construction costs. In addition to the listed repair and construction projects stated above, the Project List also includes the acquisition of a variety of instructional, maintenance and operational equipment; the acquisition, construction, repair, renovation and modernization of existing and new classrooms and other facilities to serve students; the reduction or retirement of outstanding lease obligations, as applicable; the acquisition, construction, repair, renovation, and replacement of faculty and administrative support spaces and other District-wide support facilities, including, but not limited to transportation and nutrition services facilities; the payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility assessment reviews and updates, environmental studies (including environmental investigation, remediation and monitoring) and construction documentation; and temporary housing of dislocated District activities caused by bond construction project. The upgrading of technology infrastructure includes, but is not limited to: projectors and display systems; media control stations; portable interface devices; centralized storage and backup systems; uninterruptible power supplies; racks; servers; switches; routers; modules; sound systems; access control systems; printers; digital white boards; document projectors and cameras; upgraded voice-over IP; communications software and systems; collaborative systems; network management software; enterprise-wide software system replacement or upgrade; network security/firewall; wiring and cabling; Wi-Fi capabilities, access points and other miscellaneous equipment and software. The access to up-to-date

classrooms includes but is not limited to the acquisition of school sites and the construction of new schools or additions to existing schools. The repair of school facilities includes the upgrading/replacing school site parking, campus accessibility, utilities, and grounds, playground equipment, hard court surfaces, shade structures for student assembly and protecting students from inclement weather during lunch, libraries, District support facilities; enhanced signage; fire sensors; replace damaged and unsafe gym bleachers; music, performing arts rooms; electrical wiring; athletic and play fields turf may be upgraded for safety and operational efficiency; solar power and water recycling systems; constructing new facilities and classrooms; renovate and paint interior and exterior building surfaces to extend their useful life; physical education facilities improvements; security, safety and communication systems and equipment; window and floor coverings (including tiles and carpeting); kitchen equipment; upgrade irrigation systems; improvements and furnishings and/or other electronic equipment and systems.. The allocation of bond proceeds may be affected by the District's receipt of State matching funds and the final costs of each project. In the absence of State matching funds, which the District will aggressively pursue to reduce the District's share of the costs of the projects, the District may not be able to complete some of the projects listed above.

The budget for each project is an estimate and may be affected by factors beyond the District's control. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized, construction bids are awarded and projects are completed. Based on the final costs of each project, certain of the projects described above may be delayed or may not be completed. Demolition of existing facilities and reconstruction of facilities scheduled for repair and upgrade may occur, if the Board determines that such an approach would be more cost-effective in creating enhanced and operationally efficient campuses. Necessary site preparation/restoration and landscaping, may occur in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, redirecting fire access, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of way to the property.

Bond proceeds shall be expended only for the specific purposes identified herein. Proceeds of the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of District staff when performing work on or necessary and incidental to the bond projects. The District shall create an account into which proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited and comply with the reporting requirements of Government Code § 53410.

FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY: IN ACCORDANCE WITH EDUCATION CODE SECTION 15272, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WILL APPOINT A CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE AND CONDUCT ANNUAL INDEPENDENT AUDITS TO ASSURE THAT FUNDS ARE SPENT ONLY ON DISTRICT PROJECTS AND FOR NO OTHER PURPOSE. THE EXPENDITURE OF BOND MONEY ON THESE PROJECTS IS SUBJECT TO STRINGENT FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS. BY LAW, PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL AUDITS WILL BE PERFORMED ANNUALLY, AND ALL BOND EXPENDITURES WILL BE MONITORED BY AN INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO ENSURE THAT FUNDS ARE SPENT AS PROMISED AND SPECIFIED. THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MUST INCLUDE, AMONG OTHERS, REPRESENTATION OF A BONA FIDE TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION, A BUSINESS ORGANIZATION AND A SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION. NO DISTRICT EMPLOYEES OR VENDORS ARE ALLOWED TO SERVE ON THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

No Administrator Salaries: Proceeds from the sale of the bonds authorized by this proposition shall be used only for the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and school administrator salaries and other operating expenses.

These projects may include participation in the State Facility Program's Joint-Use Program to gain matching funds for teacher education, multi-purpose rooms, gymnasiums, libraries, childcare, and other qualifying Joint-Use facilities. With respect to such joint-use projects, the bond funds authorized by this Measure may be used to pay all of the local share needed to qualify the projects for special State matching funds under the State Facility Program's Joint-Use Program requirements.

The Board of Trustees hereby certifies that it has evaluated the safety, class-size reduction, and information technology needs of the District in developing this list of school facilities projects.

ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES

If the bonds are approved, the Board of Trustees will implement the following accountability measures in accordance with State law:

- (a) Use the bond proceeds only for the purposes authorized under Article XIII A of the California Constitution, including construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities and related uses, as specifically set forth in this Measure, and costs incident thereto, and not for any other purpose, including salaries and other routine school operating expenses;
- (b) Conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the projects and uses listed in this Measure;
- (c) Conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for school facilities projects and uses listed in this Measure; and
- (d) Establish and appoint members to an independent citizens' oversight committee to ensure the bonds are used only for the projects and uses listed in this Measure. Continue public disclosure of all spending.

STATE MATCHING FUNDS

California Education Code section 15122.5 requires the following statement to be included in this sample ballot:

"Approval of this bond measure does not guarantee that the proposed projects in the Victor Valley Union High School District that are the subject of bonds under this measure will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by this bond measure. The school district's proposal for certain of the projects assumes the receipt of matching state funds, which are subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure."

ANNUAL TAX AMOUNT, RATE, AND DURATION

The bonds shall bear interest at an annual rate not exceeding the statutory maximum. The maturity of the bonds shall not exceed the maximum term allowed by law at the time of issuance (currently 25 years if issued under Education Code section 15140, or 40 years if issued under Government Code section 53508, so long as the bonds are not capital appreciation bonds ("CABs," which CABs are limited to 25 years)). Accordingly, as further set forth in the tax rate statement, the *ad valorem* tax will be levied at such rates and for so long as may be required to meet the debt service needs of the bonds proposed to be issued, including such bonds that may be issued to refund any approved bonds.

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Each of the bond projects described in this Bond Project List include the costs of furnishing and equipping such facilities, and all costs which are incidental but directly related to the types of projects described above.

To the extent permitted by law examples of incidental costs include, but are not limited to: costs of design, engineering, architect and other professional services, facilities assessments, inspections, site preparation, utilities, landscaping, construction management and other planning and permitting, legal, accounting and similar costs; independent annual financial and performance audits; a customary construction contingency; demolition and disposal of existing structures; the costs of interim housing and storage during construction including relocation and construction costs incurred relating to interim facilities; rental or construction of storage facilities and other space on an interim basis for materials and other equipment and furnishings displaced during construction; costs of relocating facilities and equipment as needed in connection with the projects; interim classrooms and facilities for students, administrators, and school functions, including modular facilities; federal and state-mandated safety upgrades; addressing unforeseen conditions revealed by construction/modernization and other necessary improvements required to comply with existing building codes, including the Field Act; access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act; costs of the election; project construction oversight, management and administration during the duration of such projects, including by District personnel, and bond issuance costs.

Unforeseen conditions may arise during the course of planning, design and construction resulting in the scope and nature of any of the specific projects described above being altered by the District. In the event that the District determines that, with respect to a modernization or renovation project, it is more economical for the District or otherwise in the District's best interests to be undertaken as new construction, this bond measure authorizes said new construction, including land acquisition, relocation, expansion and construction and/or reconstruction, and all costs relating thereto. Conversely, if the District determines that it is more economical or otherwise in the best interests of the District to modernize or renovate District facilities instead of undertaking a new construction project, this bond measure authorizes such a project. In addition, this measure authorizes the acquisition of real property, including necessary rights of ways or other real property interests, required to expand District facilities, to provide access to school or other District facilities, or to provide additional school or related facilities. Further, authorized projects include reimbursements for project costs previously paid and paying and/or prepaying interim financing for the types of projects included on the project list, such as bond anticipation notes. Finally, projects on this list may be undertaken and used as joint use projects with other public agencies.

Approval of the District's bond measure does not guarantee that all of the identified projects within this Bond Project List will be funded. The District plans to pursue funds from the State of California, if available, to complete certain of the identified facilities projects. The District is unable to anticipate all unforeseen circumstances which may prevent some of the projects listed above from being undertaken or completed.

The order in which projects are listed in the foregoing Bond Project List does not suggest an order of priority. Project prioritization is vested in and will be determined by the District Board of Trustees. Bond proceeds shall only be expended for the specific purposes identified herein. The District shall create an account into which proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited and comply with the reporting requirements of Government Code section 53410.

These projects may include participation in the State Facility Program's Joint-Use Program to gain matching funds for teacher education, multi-purpose rooms, gymnasiums, libraries, childcare, and other qualifying Joint-Use facilities. With respect to such joint-use projects, the bond funds authorized by this Measure may be used to pay all of the local share needed to qualify the projects for special State matching funds under the State Facility Program's Joint-Use Program requirements.

The Board of Trustees hereby certifies that it has evaluated the safety, class-size reduction, and information technology needs of the District in developing this list of school facilities projects.

**BOND MEASURE X
VICTOR VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF BOND MEASURE X

This Impartial Analysis of Bond Measure X has been prepared by County Counsel pursuant to Section 9500 of the California Elections Code.

This Measure was placed on the ballot by a resolution adopted by the Governing Board of the Victor Valley Union High School District (District). A "yes" vote by at least fifty-five percent of the voters voting on this Measure will authorize the District to issue bonds to benefit the District in the amount of \$180,000,000. A "no" vote means that the District will not be authorized to issue and sell the \$180,000,000 in bonds set forth in the Measure.

The District's Resolution No. 25-03 was adopted pursuant to California Education Code sections 5322 and 15264 et seq. and section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution. The bond proceeds may only be used for specific school facilities projects listed under the "Project List." The "Project List" in the full text of the Measure contains the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this ballot Measure and such proceeds may only be used for those specific projects. These projects include upgrades and improvements to specified school facilities; repairing plumbing, heating and air conditioning systems; repairing classrooms, restrooms, and deteriorating roofs; repairing and replacing fire safety systems; increasing access for disabled students; renovation of classrooms; installation of renewable energy or energy saving systems; replacing classroom furnishings and equipment; improvement of school site parking and student pick up/drop off areas; improvement of classroom instructional technology; repairing leaky roofs; providing safe and clean drinking water; removal of lead paint, mold and asbestos; and other improvements.

The District will conduct financial and performance audits annually to ensure that the bond proceeds are spent only on the school facility projects listed in the Measure and will appoint an independent citizens' oversight committee, in compliance with Education Code section 15272, which may review audits, inspect school facilities, review deferred maintenance proposals, and review efforts to maximize bond revenues in order to ensure bond revenues are used for proper purposes and that no funds are used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other school operating expenses.

The estimated tax rate to repay these bonds is an annual amount of \$23 per \$100,000 assessed value. The District estimates that the tax will raise a total of \$10,000,000 in additional revenue per year. Information on the projected tax rate is available in the "Tax Rate Statement" attached to the Measure and is based on projections and estimates from official sources and are not binding upon the District. The bonded debt will be a general obligation of the District and will be financed by taxes levied annually on taxable property located within the District.

TOM BUNTON
County Counsel
s/ JOLENA E. GRIDER
Deputy County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF BOND MEASURE X

This Argument in Favor of Bond Measure X was submitted pursuant to Section 9501 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

Remove Asbestos, Mold, and Lead Paint in Local Classrooms – Vote YES on X!

To recruit and retain quality teachers, keep children and teachers safe at school, and repair and upgrade local middle and high schools, vote **YES on A and X!**

We must do more to keep children and teachers safe at school. **YES on X MAINTAINS AND IMPROVES SCHOOL SAFETY/SECURITY** by:

- Upgrading emergency communications systems
- Installing security lighting
- Adding controlled entry fencing, alarms, and cameras on every school campus, so all students and teachers in our local middle and high schools are in healthy, safe learning environments.

Don't you want all students to learn in clean, healthy, and safe classrooms? **YES on X** repairs and upgrades classrooms in our local middle and high schools by:

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- Repairing old, leaky roofs
- Providing safe, clean drinking water
- Replacing outdated electrical, heating and air conditioning systems
- Removing lead paint, mold, and asbestos

Measures A and X are **FISCALLY ACCOUNTABLE**, including strict accountability requirements, such as public disclosure of all spending, a list of projects that can be funded, and independent annual audits to make sure all funds are used effectively, efficiently, and as promised.

Every dime generated by Measures A and X will be used for our local schools. Both Measures A and X include:

- **REQUIRED public spending disclosures.**
- **NO money can be taken by the State.**
- **ALL funds must be spent on our local schools.**
- **NONE of the money can be taken by the County, State, or Federal governments.**

Join a unanimous Victor Valley Union High School District Board of Trustees, local teachers, parents, small business owners, and your neighbors – **YES on A and X!** Our Victorville, Adelanto, and unincorporated communities' students and families are depending on you!

For factual information including the official text of both Measures A and X, visit: www.VVUHSD.org

- s/ Marta Pohlman-Kapelos, Classroom Teacher
- s/ Michael Mayo, Victor Valley Teachers Association President
- s/ Tanya Martin, California School Employees Association Chapter 243 President
- s/ Preston Brown, Small Business Owner
- s/ Kristina Madrigal, Victor Valley H.S. Graduate

TAX RATE STATEMENT FOR BOND MEASURE X

\$180,000,000 VICTOR VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

An election will be held in the Victor Valley Union High School District (the "District") on November 5, 2024, to authorize the sale of up to \$180,000,000 in bonds of the District to finance school facilities as described in the measure. If such bonds are authorized and sold, principal and interest on the bonds will be payable only from the proceeds of *ad valorem* tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400-9404 of the Elections Code of the State of California. Such information is based upon the best estimates and projections presently available from official sources, upon experience within the District, and other demonstrable factors.

Based upon the foregoing and projections of the District's assessed valuation, the following information is provided:

1. The best estimate of the average annual tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on a projection of assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$20.50 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. The final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected is 2061-62.
2. The best estimate of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, based on a projection of assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$23 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. It is estimated that such rate would be levied in fiscal year 2025-26 through 2053-54.
3. The best estimate of the total debt service, including the principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is approximately \$365 million.

Voters should note the estimated tax rate is based on the assessed value (not market value) of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls. In addition, taxpayers eligible for a property tax exemption, such as the homeowner's exemption, will be taxed at a lower effective tax rate than described above. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills and tax advisors to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

The attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon projections and estimates only, which amounts are not maximum amounts and are not binding upon the District. The actual debt service, tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary from those used to provide the estimates set forth above, due to factors

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such as variations in the timing of bond sales, the par amount of bonds sold and market interest rates available at the time of each sale, actual assessed valuations over the term of the bonds, and other factors. The date and amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on the need for project funds and other considerations. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on conditions in the bond market at the time of sale. Actual future assessed valuations will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

s/ Carl J. Coles
Superintendent
Victor Valley Union High School District

FULL TEXT FOR BOND MEASURE X

INTRODUCTION

The Victor Valley Union High School District serves the Victorville, Adelanto, Helendale, Oro Grande and Silver Lakes communities, located generally in the Mojave High Desert Region of San Bernardino County, with a student population of approximately 11,000 students in eleven schools, serving seventh through twelfth grade. The District needs facilities and infrastructure improvements to repair classrooms and leaky roofs, provide safe and clean drinking water, replace outdated electrical, heating and air conditioning systems, remove lead paint, mold, and asbestos, and make other overdue and necessary improvements so all students can learn in clean, healthy and safe classrooms..

BOND MEASURE

VICTOR VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL REPAIR, HEALTH/SAFETY MEASURE.

To retain quality teachers, ensure healthy/safe classrooms by: removing asbestos, mold, lead paint; providing safe drinking water; repairing leaky roofs, gas lines; upgrading 911 systems, vocational/career classrooms/labs, shall Victor Valley Union High School District's measure authorizing \$180,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, levying \$23 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation, raising approximately \$10,000,000 annually while bonds are outstanding be adopted, requiring oversight, public spending disclosure, all funds be spent locally?

As required by the California Constitution, the proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be used only for the purposes authorized under Article XIII A of the California Constitution, including construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, as specifically set forth in this Measure, and costs incident thereto, and not for any other purpose, including salaries and other routine school operating expenses.

The following list describes the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds of the bonds. The scope of specific projects, the order of construction, and their completion is contingent on final project costs and the availability of needed funds. Further, projects on the project list are of the type that issuing the authorized general obligation bonds as stated will not cause the State to reduce any financial hardship contribution that would otherwise be available to the District had these bonds not been authorized, issued, and or expended for their stated purpose.

SCHOOL FACILITIES PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED FROM BOND PROCEEDS

The following list includes both projects that can be completed using the bond proceeds, along with State matching funds and other building funds the District is projected to receive and projects that are planned and needed but whose construction is contingent on the amount of bond funds available, plus the amount of State matching and other building funds the District may receive in the future, which is a function of the State building program rules, passage of State bonds, and the growth rate of the District. The completion of specific projects is also contingent on final project costs.

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The Board of Trustees of the Victor Valley Union High School District is committed to safe, clean schools with up-to-date classrooms, science technology engineering and mathematics (STEM) labs, libraries and technology systems to keep pace with modern classroom learning standards. To that end, the Board evaluated the District's urgent and critical facility needs, including safety issues, class size, computer and information technology, enrollment trends and needs analysis in developing the scope of projects to be funded. The District conducted a facilities evaluation and received extensive public input in developing the plan through school site interactions, community input, opinion leader input, and interactive materials. Teachers, staff, parents, community members and the Board have prioritized the key health and safety needs so that the most critical facility needs are addressed. The Board concluded that if these needs are not addressed now, the problems will only become more pressing and expensive to address. **Therefore, in approving this Project List, the Board of Trustees determines that the District:**

- (i) **Must keep schools healthy, safe and clean;**
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The Project List includes the following types of upgrades and improvements at the District's following school campuses and facilities so that **ALL STUDENTS HAVE ACCESS TO UP-TO-DATE CLASSROOMS, TECHNOLOGY, AND LIBRARY PROGRAMS:**

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• Goodwill Education Center	• Hook Junior High School
• Lakeview Leadership Academy	• Larrea Middle School
• Silverado High School	• University Preparatory School
• Victor Valley High School	• Victor Valley Adult School
• Victor Valley Virtual Academy	• Other Districtwide School Facilities

The specific types of projects authorized to be financed with proceeds of the bonds under this proposition are as follows:

School Repair and Upgrade Projects
<p><u>Goal and Purpose:</u> To ensure all students learn in classrooms that are healthy, clean and safe and reduce future maintenance and operating costs, thereby returning more money to the classroom, allowing the District to retain qualified teachers and protect instruction in core subjects like math, science and technology, complete basic repair projects, including, but not limited to, the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repair classrooms, restrooms, and deteriorating roofs. • Repair, replace, and/or install outdated plumbing, heating and air-conditioning systems that protect students from the impacts of extreme heat and cold. • Improve, update, and/or replace fire safety systems, including fire safety doors, smoke alarms and detectors. • Improve and increase access for students with disabilities. • Renovate, rehabilitate, re-configure, replace, expand and/or upgrade portable and permanent classrooms, classroom buildings, and school support facilities, including interior and exterior doors, windows, door and window hardware, roofs, rain gutters and downspouts, walls, marker boards, ceilings and floors and finishes, paint, siding, insulation, casework, cabinets, carpets, drapes, window coverings, lighting, sinks, fixtures, signage, fencing, furnishings and equipment.

- Acquire, install and/or construct renewable energy and/or energy-saving systems, improvements and equipment, including photovoltaic solar panels, electricity generation and distribution systems, upgraded insulation, efficient lighting, energy management and conservation systems, windows and structures to support such systems, improvements and equipment and related infrastructure.
- Rehabilitate, renovate, upgrade and/or replace such systems, improvements and.
- Replace classroom furnishings and equipment.
- Improve school site parking, and student pickup/drop-off areas.

Improvements and Equipment to Support Modern Learning And Classroom Instructional Technology Academic Programs

Goal and Purpose: To update outdated learning technology, equipment and labs to ensure all students have access to necessary instructional technology for a strong educational foundation in science, technology, engineering and math including, but not limited to, the following:

- Improve and update classroom instructional technology needed for improved student learning.
- Upgrade and/or install up-to-date technology, data and communication equipment.
- Update, expand and install science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) lab facilities and technology equipment.
- Upgrade and expand school library facilities and equipment.
- Renovate, replace, upgrade, acquire, install and integrate electrical (including wiring and related infrastructure for modern technology) and data systems, equipment, power sources and supplies and related technology infrastructure.
- Acquire, install and upgrade technology equipment, fixtures and infrastructure, including interactive educational technology and projection systems, computers, tablets, laptops, printers, scanners, digital projectors and cameras, audio systems, video systems, phone and sound projections systems, peripherals, smart boards, education software, telecommunications software, security software, monitors, network equipment (including servers, network interface devices, network switches and routers, wireless network equipment, firewalls, network security equipment, racking, power and cooling equipment, wiring and uninterruptible power supplies), as needed for classroom instructional technology systems.
- Rehabilitate, install and replace such equipment, fixtures and technology equipment.

School Safety, Security, and Health Projects

Goal and Purpose: To repair classrooms and leaky roofs, provide safe and clean drinking water, replace outdated electrical, heating and air conditioning systems, remove lead paint, mold, and asbestos, and make other overdue improvements so all students can learn in clean, healthy and safe classrooms including, but not limited to, the following:

- Renovate, replace and/or install drinking water facilities.
- Repair leaky roofs and remove asbestos, mold and lead paint.
- Upgrade and/or replace, deteriorating gas lines, plumbing and restrooms.
- Upgrade and/or install security window coverings and controlled, secure visitor verification systems.
- Acquire, replace, upgrade and/or install 911 student, teacher and administrator safety and security systems, including lighting, controlled entry fencing, smoke detectors, fire alarms, sprinklers, security alarms, signage, safety doors, safety locks and hardware, cameras and emergency communication systems.

- Upgrade, improve, expand and/or construct facilities that support health, wellness, and mental health of students.
- Improve, upgrade and/or re-configure entryways and exits at school campuses.
- Reconfigure, renovate, repair, resurface, improve and/or expand roads, sidewalks, driveways, parking lots and related areas, and student pick-up/drop-off areas.
- Renovate, rehabilitate, re-configure, replace and/or upgrade portable classrooms and restrooms, and furnish and equip the same.
- Upgrade/improve school sites/grounds and facilities and acquire/install equipment and furnishings for students with disabilities and compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act.
- Renovate, repair, resurface, upgrade, expand, construct and/or install and improve paved and other hard surfaces, playgrounds, sports fields/playfields, tracks and landscaping, and acquire, improve, replace and/or upgrade sports fields/related facilities and recreational facilities, equipment and fixtures.

Other School Facility and District-Wide Projects

- Planning, designing and providing temporary housing necessary for listed bond projects.
- The inspection, sampling and analysis of grounds, buildings and building materials to determine the presence of hazardous materials or substances, including asbestos, lead, mold, etc., and the encapsulation, removal, disposal and other remediation or control of such hazardous materials and substances.
- The inspection and analysis of grounds, buildings and structures to assess health and safety risks to students, faculty, staff, parents and the public and compliance with local, state and federal building, health, safety, access and other related requirements, including seismic safety requirements, Field Act requirements and access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and the improvement, correction, repair or renovation of such grounds, buildings and structures or portions thereof identified as such health and safety risks or acquire, install and/or construct other improvements to comply with such laws and requirements.
- Acquisition and improvement of real property and the construction of new school facilities needed to accommodate future increases in student enrollment and/or from reductions in the number students per classroom.
- Acquisition of all or a portion of any school site or facility, or an interest therein, or make lease payments with respect to any school site or facility, encumbered in order to finance or refinance the listed bond projects pursuant to a lease, certificate of participation or lease revenue bond financing.
- Improve, upgrade, renovate, and/or construct visual and performing arts facilities, including performing arts centers and auditoriums.
- Address other unforeseen conditions revealed by construction, renovation or modernization (including plumbing or gas line breaks, dry rot, seismic and structural deficiencies, etc.).
- Furnishing and equipping of school facilities; furnishing and equipping shall include initial purchases, and scheduled and necessary replacements, upgrades and updating of technology.
- All other costs and work necessary and incidental to the listed bond projects.

The listed projects set forth above will be completed as needed. Each project is assumed to include its share of furnishings, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, program management, staff training expenses and a customary contingency, and escalation for unforeseen design and construction costs. In addition to the listed repair and construction projects stated above, the Project List also includes the acquisition of a variety of instructional, maintenance and operational equipment; the acquisition, construction, repair, renovation and modernization of existing and new classrooms and other facilities to serve students; the reduction or retirement of outstanding lease

of existing and new classrooms and other facilities to serve students; the reduction or retirement of outstanding lease obligations, as applicable; the acquisition, construction, repair, renovation, and replacement of faculty and administrative support spaces and other District-wide support facilities, including, but not limited to transportation and nutrition services facilities; the payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility assessment reviews and updates, environmental studies (including environmental investigation, remediation and monitoring) and construction documentation; and temporary housing of dislocated District activities caused by bond construction project. The upgrading of technology infrastructure includes, but is not limited to: projectors and display systems; media control stations; portable interface devices; centralized storage and backup systems; uninterruptible power supplies; racks; servers; switches; routers; modules; sound systems; access control systems; printers; digital white boards; document projectors and cameras; upgraded voice-over IP; communications software and systems; collaborative systems; network management software; enterprise-wide software system replacement or upgrade; network security/firewall; wiring and cabling; Wi-Fi capabilities, access points and other miscellaneous equipment and software. The access to up-to-date classrooms includes but is not limited to the acquisition of school sites and the construction of new schools or additions to existing schools. The repair of school facilities includes the upgrading/replacing school site parking, campus accessibility, utilities, and grounds, playground equipment, hard court surfaces, shade structures for student assembly and protecting students from inclement weather during lunch, libraries, District support facilities; enhanced signage; fire sensors; replace damaged and unsafe gym bleachers; music, performing arts rooms; electrical wiring; athletic and play fields turf may be upgraded for safety and operational efficiency; solar power and water recycling systems; constructing new facilities and classrooms; renovate and paint interior and exterior building surfaces to extend their useful life; physical education facilities improvements; security, safety and communication systems and equipment; window and floor coverings (including tiles and carpeting); kitchen equipment; upgrade irrigation systems; improvements and furnishings and/or other electronic equipment and systems.. The allocation of bond proceeds may be affected by the District's receipt of State matching funds and the final costs of each project. In the absence of State matching funds, which the District will aggressively pursue to reduce the District's share of the costs of the projects, the District may not be able to complete some of the projects listed above.

The budget for each project is an estimate and may be affected by factors beyond the District's control. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized, construction bids are awarded and projects are completed. Based on the final costs of each project, certain of the projects described above may be delayed or may not be completed. Demolition of existing facilities and reconstruction of facilities scheduled for repair and upgrade may occur, if the Board determines that such an approach would be more cost-effective in creating enhanced and operationally efficient campuses. Necessary site preparation/restoration and landscaping, may occur in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, redirecting fire access, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of way to the property.

Bond proceeds shall be expended only for the specific purposes identified herein. Proceeds of the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of District staff when performing work on or necessary and incidental to the bond projects. The District shall create an account into which proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited and comply with the reporting requirements of Government Code § 53410.

FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY: IN ACCORDANCE WITH EDUCATION CODE SECTION 15272, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WILL APPOINT A CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE AND CONDUCT ANNUAL INDEPENDENT AUDITS TO ASSURE THAT FUNDS ARE SPENT ONLY ON DISTRICT PROJECTS AND FOR NO OTHER PURPOSE. THE EXPENDITURE OF BOND MONEY ON THESE PROJECTS IS SUBJECT TO STRINGENT FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS. BY LAW, PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL AUDITS WILL BE PERFORMED ANNUALLY, AND ALL BOND EXPENDITURES WILL BE MONITORED BY AN INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO ENSURE THAT FUNDS ARE SPENT AS PROMISED AND SPECIFIED. THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MUST INCLUDE, AMONG OTHERS, REPRESENTATION OF A BONA FIDE TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION, A BUSINESS ORGANIZATION AND A SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION. NO DISTRICT EMPLOYEES OR VENDORS ARE ALLOWED TO SERVE ON THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

No Administrator Salaries: Proceeds from the sale of the bonds authorized by this proposition shall be used only for the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and school administrator salaries and other operating expenses.

These projects may include participation in the State Facility Program's Joint-Use Program to gain matching funds for teacher education, multi-purpose rooms, gymnasiums, libraries, childcare, and other qualifying Joint-Use facilities. With respect to such joint-use projects, the bond funds authorized by this Measure may be used to pay all of the local share needed to qualify the projects for special State matching funds under the State Facility Program's Joint-Use Program requirements.

The Board of Trustees hereby certifies that it has evaluated the safety, class-size reduction, and information technology needs of the District in developing this list of school facilities projects.

ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES

If the bonds are approved, the Board of Trustees will implement the following accountability measures in accordance with State law:

- (a) Use the bond proceeds only for the purposes authorized under Article XIII A of the California Constitution, including construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities and related uses, as specifically set forth in this Measure, and costs incident thereto, and not for any other purpose, including salaries and other routine school operating expenses;
- (b) Conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the projects and uses listed in this Measure;
- (c) Conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for school facilities projects and uses listed in this Measure; and
- (d) Establish and appoint members to an independent citizens' oversight committee to ensure the bonds are used only for the projects and uses listed in this Measure. Continue public disclosure of all spending.

STATE MATCHING FUNDS

California Education Code section 15122.5 requires the following statement to be included in this sample ballot:

"Approval of this bond measure does not guarantee that the proposed projects in the Victor Valley Union High School District that are the subject of bonds under this measure will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by this bond measure. The school district's proposal for certain of the projects assumes the receipt of matching state funds, which are subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure."

ANNUAL TAX AMOUNT, RATE, AND DURATION

The bonds shall bear interest at an annual rate not exceeding the statutory maximum. The maturity of the bonds shall not exceed the maximum term allowed by law at the time of issuance (currently 25 years if issued under Education Code section 15140, or 40 years if issued under Government Code section 53508, so long as the bonds are not capital appreciation bonds ("CABs," which CABs are limited to 25 years)). Accordingly, as further set forth in the tax rate statement, the *ad valorem* tax will be levied at such rates and for so long as may be required to meet the debt service needs of the bonds proposed to be issued, including such bonds that may be issued to refund any approved bonds.

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Each of the bond projects described in this Bond Project List include the costs of furnishing and equipping such facilities, and all costs which are incidental but directly related to the types of projects described above.

To the extent permitted by law examples of incidental costs include, but are not limited to: costs of design, engineering, architect and other professional services, facilities assessments, inspections, site preparation, utilities, landscaping, construction management and other planning and permitting, legal, accounting and similar costs; independent annual financial and performance audits; a customary construction contingency; demolition and disposal of existing structures; the costs of interim housing and storage during construction including relocation and construction costs incurred relating to interim facilities; rental or construction of storage facilities and other space on an interim basis for materials and other equipment and furnishings displaced during construction; costs of relocating facilities and equipment as needed in connection with the projects; interim classrooms and facilities for students, administrators, and school functions, including modular facilities; federal and state-mandated safety upgrades; addressing unforeseen conditions revealed by construction/modernization and other necessary improvements required to comply with existing building codes, including the Field Act; access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act; costs of the election; project construction oversight, management and administration during the duration of such projects, including by District personnel, and bond issuance costs.

Unforeseen conditions may arise during the course of planning, design and construction resulting in the scope and nature of any of the specific projects described above being altered by the District. In the event that the District determines that, with respect to a modernization or renovation project, it is more economical for the District or otherwise in the District's best interests to be undertaken as new construction, this bond measure authorizes said new construction, including land acquisition, relocation, expansion and construction and/or reconstruction, and all costs relating thereto. Conversely, if the District determines that it is more economical or otherwise in the best interests of the District to modernize or renovate District facilities instead of undertaking a new construction project, this bond measure authorizes such a project. In addition, this measure authorizes the acquisition of real property, including necessary rights of ways or other real property interests, required to expand District facilities, to provide access to school or other District facilities, or to provide additional school or related facilities. Further, authorized projects include reimbursements for project costs previously paid and paying and/or prepaying interim financing for the types of projects included on the project list, such as bond anticipation notes. Finally, projects on this list may be undertaken and used as joint use projects with other public agencies.

Approval of the District's bond measure does not guarantee that all of the identified projects within this Bond Project List will be funded. The District plans to pursue funds from the State of California, if available, to complete certain of the identified facilities projects. The District is unable to anticipate all unforeseen circumstances which may prevent some of the projects listed above from being undertaken or completed.

The order in which projects are listed in the foregoing Bond Project List does not suggest an order of priority. Project prioritization is vested in and will be determined by the District Board of Trustees. Bond proceeds shall only be expended for the specific purposes identified herein. The District shall create an account into which proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited and comply with the reporting requirements of Government Code section 53410.

These projects may include participation in the State Facility Program's Joint-Use Program to gain matching funds for teacher education, multi-purpose rooms, gymnasiums, libraries, childcare, and other qualifying Joint-Use facilities. With respect to such joint-use projects, the bond funds authorized by this Measure may be used to pay all of the local share needed to qualify the projects for special State matching funds under the State Facility Program's Joint-Use Program requirements.

The Board of Trustees hereby certifies that it has evaluated the safety, class-size reduction, and information technology needs of the District in developing this list of school facilities projects.

**BOND MEASURE AA
SIERRA SANDS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF BOND MEASURE AA

This Impartial Analysis of Bond Measure AA has been prepared by County Counsel pursuant to Section 9500 of the California Elections Code.

The Board of Education of the Sierra Sands Unified School District ("District") placed this measure on the ballot. A "Yes" vote by at least fifty-five percent (55%) of the voters voting on this measure would authorize the District to issue bonds to benefit the District in the amount of forty-two million dollars (\$42,000,000). A "no" vote means that the District will not be authorized to issue and sell the \$42,000,000 in bonds set forth in the Measure.

The bond proceeds could only be used to fund the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities. The measure lists the specific projects for which the proceeds would be used. The proceeds could not be used for any other purposes, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses.

The Board of Education would conduct financial and performance audits and would appoint a citizens' oversight committee to ensure that bond proceeds are spent only on the school facilities projects listed in the measure.

The bonded debt would be a general obligation of the District and would be financed by property taxes levied annually on taxable property located within the District in an amount necessary to pay the annual debt obligation. The District estimates that the average annual tax rate required to fund the bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service is 6 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation, and the final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected is 2053-54.

Approval of this measure does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Sierra Sands Unified School District that are the subject of bonds under this measure will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by this measure. The District's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching State funds, which, if available, could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure. The projected tax rate is based on projections and estimates from official sources and is not binding upon the District.

TOM BUNTON
County Counsel
s/ JOLENA E. GRIDER
Deputy County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF BOND MEASURE AA

This Argument in Favor of Bond Measure AA was submitted pursuant to Section 9501 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

Did you know some of our local schools are over 70 years old and in urgent need of basic repairs?

YES on "AA" to address essential repair and upgrade needs for old school roofs, windows, bathrooms, plumbing, wiring, and heating and cooling systems

YES on "AA" to provide a safe, healthy learning environment for all students.

"The Kern County Taxpayer's Association Board of Directors unanimously supports the Sierra Sands Unified School District measure, we are confident the measure is well-structured with the interests of the taxpayers being a high priority," said Kern Tax Executive Director Michael Turnipseed.

YES on "AA" allows our schools to qualify for over \$100 million of United States Department of Defense matching funds. **If Measure "AA" does not pass, we could lose the opportunity for matching funds.** Department of Defense matching funds would cover 80% of the cost of building the new elementary school our District needs.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR – Continued on next page

YES on "AA":

- Ensures school safety
- Ensures all schools are prepared for earthquakes
- Fixes or replaces leaky roofs, doors, windows
- Replaces deteriorating plumbing, electrical, heating and cooling systems
- Expands facilities to support programs in reading and literacy for the youngest learners

Good schools are what makes our community a desirable place to live.

YES on "AA":

- Maintains high-quality public schools
- Attracts and retains a skilled workforce
- Maintains property values and contributes to a strong local economy.

Measure "AA" is **FISCALLY ACCOUNTABLE**. Measure "AA" includes strict accountability requirements: published independent financial/performance audits AND an Independent Citizen's Oversight Committee to ensure all funds are spent effectively, efficiently, and as promised to voters.

- **NO money can be spent on administrators' salaries or pensions.**
- **NO money can be taken by the state.**
- **ALL funds must be spent on our local schools.**

Join a unanimous Sierra Sands Unified School District Board of Trustees, local businesses, taxpayer advocates, police, firefighters and your neighbors: Vote **YES on "AA"**.

s/ Eileen Poole, President, Teacher Association

s/ Lisa Harper, Teacher of Year 24

s/ Rachel Ghilardi, Teacher of Year 24

s/ Gary Charlon, Business Owner

s/ Scott O'Neil, Executive Director, EDC

TAX RATE STATEMENT FOR BOND MEASURE AA

An election will be held in the Sierra Sands Unified School District (the "District") on November 5, 2024, to authorize the sale of up to \$42,000,000 in bonds (the "Bonds") of the District to upgrade local schools; improve school safety; ensure all schools are prepared for earthquakes; fix or replace leaky roofs, doors, and windows; update science, technology, engineering, and math classrooms; and utilize opportunities to qualify for United States Department of Defense matching funds, with citizen oversight, independent audits, no money for administrators' salaries, and all money staying local.

If the Bonds are authorized and sold, debt service thereon will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400-9404 of the Elections Code of the State of California. It is anticipated that the District will sell the Bonds in multiple series.

1. The best estimate of the average annual tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund this Bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$59.47 per \$100,000 (5.947¢ per \$100) of assessed valuation. The final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected is 2053-54.

2. The best estimate of the highest tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund this Bond issue, based on assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$59.89 per \$100,000 (5.989¢ per \$100) of assessed valuation which would first occur in fiscal year 2025-26.

3. The best estimate of total debt service, including principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the Bonds are issued and sold is \$89,943,939.

Voters should note that the estimated tax rates are based on the ASSESSED VALUE of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls, not on the property's market value. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon the District's projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the District. Such projections and estimates are provided for informational purposes only and are not maximum amounts or limitations on the terms of the Bonds, tax rate, or duration of the tax supporting repayment of issued Bonds. The actual tax rates, the years in which they will apply, and the final term of each series of Bonds may vary from those presently estimated, due to variations from these estimates in the timing of Bond sales, the amount of Bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the Bonds.

The dates of sale and the amount of Bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on the need for construction funds and other factors, including the legal limitations on bonds approved by a 55% vote. The actual interest rates at which the Bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the Kern and San Bernardino County Assessors in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

Dated: July 18, 2024

s/ April Moore, Ed.D.
Superintendent
Sierra Sands Unified School District

FULL TEXT FOR BOND MEASURE AA

Upon the passage of Measure AA, the Sierra Sands Unified School District (the "District") shall be authorized to issue bonds in the aggregate amount of \$42,000,000 (the "Bonds"), bearing interest at rates not exceeding the statutory limit, for the purpose of funding the school facilities projects listed below (the "Projects") at the District's school sites and properties, subject to the accountability safeguards set forth below.

Bond Accountability Measures

At its July 18, 2024 meeting, the Board of Education (the "Board") of the District certified that it evaluated safety, class size reduction, and information technology needs in developing the list of the Projects (the "Bond Project List") set forth below. The proceeds of the Bonds shall be used only for the Projects identified in the Bond Project List below, and not for any other purpose (i.e., teacher and administrative salaries and other school operating expenses).

The proceeds of the Bonds will be accounted for separately. The Board is bound to conduct financial and performance audits annually to account for the Bond funds and to assure that funds have only been expended on the specific Projects authorized. There will be public disclosure of all expenditures of Bond proceeds.

The Board will appoint members to a citizens' oversight committee having a minimum of seven members and including at least one member active in a business organization representing the business community located within the District, one member active in a senior citizens' organization, one member active in a bona fide taxpayers' organization, one member who is the parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District, and one member who is both a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District and active in a parent-teacher organization.

Proceeds from the sale of Bonds authorized by this measure shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement, along with related costs, of school facilities as set forth herein, including the furnishing and equipping of said school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for said school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses. Proceeds from the sale of Bonds authorized by this measure shall be deposited with the Kern County Treasurer as required by the California Education Code.

Bond Project List

This Bond Project List, which is an integral part of this proposition, describes the specific Projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds of the Bonds.

The Board of the District is committed to "Engaging All Learners" by upgrading local schools; improving school safety; ensuring all schools are prepared for earthquakes; fixing or replacing leaky roofs, doors, and windows; updating science, technology, engineering, and math classrooms; and utilizing opportunities to qualify for United States Department of Defense matching funds. To achieve these goals and develop this Bond Project List, the Board evaluated its critical facility needs (including safety, class size reduction, and information technology) and sought input from the public, teachers, staff, and parents.

In order to meet all identified facilities needs, the District intends to complete the Projects using a combination of funding sources. These sources may include joint-use funds, development impact fees, state funds, federal funds, and other available funds. The District will pursue state matching funds if and when they become available, and if received, they will be used for and mainly applied to Projects on this Bond Project List or other high priority capital outlay expenditures as permitted in Education Code section 17070.63(c).

Specific Projects which may be funded by the Measure AA include, without limitation, the following:

Community priorities:

- Ensure school safety
- Ensure all schools are prepared for earthquakes
- Fix or replace leaky roofs, doors, and windows
- Utilize opportunities for United States Department of Defense matching funds
- Replace deteriorating plumbing, electrical, heating, and cooling systems
- Expand facilities to support programs in reading and literacy for the youngest learners

Tier 1 Funding Priorities for School Site Facilities

- Rebuild, reconstruct, and equip Vieweg Elementary School
- Update, upgrade, renovate, and repair Pierce Elementary School
- Update, upgrade, and renovate classrooms and labs for 21st century learning
- Update, upgrade, renovate, and repair Inyokern Elementary School

Tier 2 Funding Priorities for School Site Facilities

- Upgrade, update, and renovate door locks and gates at all school sites
- Upgrade, update, and renovate student transportation safety measures
- Upgrade, update, renovate, and repair security measures and fencing at Burroughs High School
- Update and renovate traffic flow and drop-off lane at Murray Middle School
- Update and renovate Burroughs High School Football Stadium

Bond Program Management Costs

Project expenditures may also include:

- Staffing and other Bond Project management costs, whether outsourced or performed by District staff, for performing work on or necessary and incidental to the Projects and the Bond Program, such as planning and permitting, construction management, legal, accounting, and performance and financial audit costs.
- Financial reserve for unforeseen or unpredictable inflation or supply demand costs.
- Program reserve for unanticipated scope costs or for unanticipated opportunities to enhance project scope or schedules consistent with authorized Projects.

For any of the Projects, with respect to construction at an existing District site, the District is authorized to identify an alternate site and/or acquire land for such purpose and construct the approved Project at such site if the District has determined that the existing site does not satisfy the requirements of the Division of State Architect or other state laws, codes, and regulations, including, but not limited to hazardous substances, applicable to school district properties.

The budget for each Project is an estimate and may be affected by factors beyond the District's control. The final cost of each Project will be determined as plans and construction documents are finalized, construction bids are received, construction contracts are awarded, and Projects are completed. Based on the final costs of each Project, certain of the Projects described above may be delayed or may not be completed. The allocation of Bond proceeds may also be affected by the final costs of each Project.

Necessary site preparation/grading/restoration may occur in connection with new construction, reconstruction, modernization, renovation, upgrading, rehabilitation or replacement, furnishing and equipping, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads, and acquiring any necessary easements, leases, licenses, or rights of way to the property and are authorized Project costs.

Additional Specifications

Bond Projects will be completed only as feasible, and may be delayed or not completed depending on the final costs of each Project. It is the intent of the Board to complete the Projects listed under Tier 1 above before completing any Projects listed under Tier 2. Notwithstanding such intent, prioritization among improvements on the Bond Project List within each tier and between each tier remains within the discretion of the Board by subsequent action. The Projects may be completed at any and all school or District sites where such Project is determined necessary. If the Board determines that it is economically feasible and more cost-effective, buildings, fixtures, and equipment may be demolished and replaced or reconstructed rather than modernized, renovated, repaired, or upgraded. Each Project is assumed to include its share of costs of the election and bond issuance, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, construction management, bond project staff, staff training expenses associated with new bond-funded equipment and systems, and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. In addition to the Projects listed above, the Bond Project List also includes the acquisition of land, instructional, maintenance and operational furniture and equipment, payment of the costs of preparation of all facilities planning and project implementation studies, feasibility and assessment reviews, master planning, environmental studies (including environmental investigation, remediation, and monitoring), design and construction documents, temporary housing for dislocated programs or activities caused or necessitated by construction projects, and construction, repairs, and improvements in the event of unforeseen design and construction matters, unforeseen emergencies or other circumstances in order to permit the continuance of existing educational services or to avoid danger to life or property.

Single Purpose. All of the purposes enumerated in this proposition shall be united and voted upon as one single proposition, pursuant to Section 15100 of the Education Code, and all the enumerated purposes shall constitute the specific single purpose of the Bonds and proceeds of the Bonds shall be spent only for such purpose.

Other Terms of the Bonds. When sold, the Bonds shall bear interest at an annual rate not exceeding the statutory maximum. The Bonds may be issued and sold in several series, and in accordance with a plan of finance determined by the Board pursuant to requirements of law.

Project Requiring State Matching Funds. Approval of Measure AA does not guarantee that the proposed District Projects that are the subject of Bonds under Measure AA will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure AA. Some of the District's Projects may assume the receipt of state matching funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.

**BOND MEASURE BB
COLTON JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF BOND MEASURE BB

This Impartial Analysis of Bond Measure BB has been prepared by County Counsel pursuant to Section 9500 of the California Elections Code.

This Measure was placed on the ballot by a resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the Colton Joint Unified School District (District). A "yes" vote by at least fifty-five percent of the voters voting on this Measure will authorize the District to issue bonds to benefit the District in the amount of \$225,000,000. A "no" vote means that the District will not be authorized to issue and sell the \$225,000,000 in bonds set forth in the Measure.

The District's Resolution No. 24-71 was adopted pursuant to California Education Code sections 5303, 5322, 5363, 15100 et seq., and 15264 et seq., Government Code section 56506, and Article XIII A of the California Constitution. The bond proceeds may only be used for specific school facilities projects listed under the "Project List." The "Project List" in the full text of the Measure contains the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this ballot Measure and such proceeds may only be used for those specific projects. These projects include: making repairs to older classrooms and school facilities; removal of hazardous materials like asbestos and lead pipes from older schools; improvement of student safety and campus security systems; upgrading older schools to meet current health and building safety codes; retrofit of older buildings; replacement of aging portable buildings; provide modern labs and technical facilities; provide instructional technology in classrooms; and other improvements.

The District will conduct financial and performance audits annually to ensure that the bond proceeds are spent only on the school facility projects listed in the Measure and will appoint an independent citizens' oversight committee, as required by Education Code section 15272 et seq., which may review audits, inspect school facilities, review deferred maintenance proposals, and review efforts to maximize bond revenues, in order to ensure bond revenues are used for proper purposes and that no funds are used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other school operating expenses.

The estimated tax rate to repay these bonds is 4 cents per \$100 assessed value, with the District estimating that the tax will raise a total of \$6,300,000 in additional revenue per year. The projected tax rate is based on projections and estimates from official sources and are not binding upon the District. The bonded debt will be a general obligation of the District and will be financed by taxes levied annually on taxable property located within the District.

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s/ JOLENA E. GRIDER
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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF BOND MEASURE BB

This Argument in Favor of Bond Measure BB was submitted pursuant to Section 9501 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

Yes on Measure BB

Students in the Colton Joint Unified School District – which includes Colton, Bloomington, Grand Terrace and parts of San Bernardino, Fontana, Loma Linda, and Riverside County – deserve safe and modern schools that prepare them to succeed and become tomorrow's leaders.

Yes on Measure BB enables our local schools to improve the quality of educational opportunities and deliver on the promise of preparing our students for the future, while securing the health and vitality of the communities they serve.

Many of our neighborhood schools were built more than 60 years ago. Aging roofs, electrical systems, ventilation, water, sewer and storm drain systems require repair or replacement to meet current health and safety codes, including removal of hazardous materials like asbestos and lead pipes. **Yes on Measure BB** will help make our schools safer for our children and also replace many of the district's 175 aging portable classrooms with modern, permanent classrooms.

To prepare students for college and in-demand careers like health sciences, computer programming, and skilled trades, Measure BB will support new labs, computer infrastructure, and technical facilities to ensure high quality instruction in math, science, technology and engineering.

Measure BB will also support instruction in music and visual and performing arts.

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Yes on Measure BB will upgrade campus security, emergency communications, smoke detectors and fire sprinklers to keep our schools and our students safe and secure.

Measure BB contains strict fiscal safeguards and independent citizens' oversight that guarantee funds will be spent exactly as promised, and **Yes on Measure BB** ensures local control – all funds must be spent in the Colton Joint Unified School District, not diverted by Sacramento bureaucrats.

That's why a coalition of local parents, business owners and labor organizations urge you to vote **Yes on Measure BB** – for the future of our children and our communities.

For more information, go to www.cjUSD.net.

s/ Nikki Villalobos, Co-Founder, The Aristrong Foundation

s/ Claudina Montoya, Elementary School Teacher

s/ Ohm Kongtang, Small Business Owner

s/ Benjamin Pratt, Vice President IBEW L.U. 477

s/ Omar Cobian, IE Deputy Political Director Western States Regional Council of Carpenters

TAX RATE STATEMENT FOR BOND MEASURE BB

An election will be held in the Colton Joint Unified School District (the "District") on November 5, 2024, to authorize the sale of up to \$225,000,000 in general obligation bonds in one or more issuances. The following information is submitted in compliance with Sections 9400-9404 of the Elections Code of the State of California. Such information is based upon the best estimates and projections presently available from official sources, upon experience within the District, and other demonstrable factors.

Based upon the foregoing and projections of the District's assessed valuation, the following information is provided:

1. The best estimate of the average annual tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$40 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. It is currently expected that the tax will be collected until fiscal year 2053-54.

2. The best estimate of the highest tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, is \$40 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. This rate is projected to apply beginning in fiscal year 2025-26.

3. The best estimate of total debt service, including principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold will be approximately \$458,130,028.

These estimates are based on projections derived from information obtained from official sources, and are based on the assessed value (not market value) of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls. In addition, taxpayers eligible for a property tax exemption, such as the homeowner's exemption, will be taxed at a lower effective tax rate than described above. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills and tax advisors to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions. The attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon projections and estimates only, which amounts are not maximum amounts and durations and are not binding upon the District. The actual debt service, tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary depending on the timing of bond sales, the par amount of bonds sold at each sale, actual interest rates obtained and actual increases in assessed valuations. The timing of the bond sales and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on the need for project funds and other considerations. Actual assessed valuations will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

s/ Dr. Frank Miranda,

Superintendent

Colton Joint Unified School District

FULL TEXT FOR BOND MEASURE BB

The following is the full proposition presented to the voters by the Colton Joint Unified School District.

"To repair and improve aging neighborhood schools; fix deteriorating roofs, plumbing, electrical; remove asbestos and lead pipes; repair, construct, acquire classrooms, labs, sites, facilities/ equipment; support student achievement and college/career readiness in math, science, technology, engineering, arts and skilled trades; shall Colton Joint Unified School District's measure be adopted authorizing \$225,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, levying 4 cents per \$100 assessed value (\$6,300,000 annually) while bonds are outstanding, with citizen oversight, independent audits, all money locally-controlled?"

PROJECT LIST

The Board of Education of the Colton Joint Unified School District is committed to **improving the quality of education** in our local public schools by **upgrading aging classrooms and improving student safety** providing safe, secure, modern classrooms, labs and technology needed to support high quality instruction in math, science, engineering, technology and the skilled trades. To that end, the Board evaluated the District's urgent and critical facility needs, including safety issues, class size reduction, **basic repairs**, computer and information technology in developing the types of projects to be funded by this measure as described below.

In approving this Project List, the Board of Education determines that the District **must**:

- (i) **UPGRADE older schools so they meet current health codes, building safety codes, and provide proper access for students with disabilities;** and
- (ii) **REMOVE hazardous materials like asbestos and lead pipes from older school sites;** and
- (iii) **REPAIR or replace deteriorating roofs, plumbing, heating, ventilation, gas lines, sewer lines, and electrical systems;** and
- (iv) **PROVIDE modern labs, career technical facilities and equipment so students are prepared for college and in-demand careers;**
- (v) **REPLACE aging portables with new permanent classroom buildings.**

The Project List includes the following types of upgrades and improvements at District schools, facilities and sites:

LOCALLY CONTROLLED FUNDING FOR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS

School Repair and Upgrade Projects

Goals and Purposes:

Many of our neighborhood schools were built over 60 years ago and require repairs and upgrades to ensure all students have equal access to safe and updated educational facilities. While some of our schools have received updates and been modernized, many have not. Older roofs and electrical systems need to be repaired and updated, along with other infrastructure such as water, sewer, gas, and storm drain systems. Our District also has over 170 portable classrooms that are at least 25 years old and need expensive repairs or replacement. It is time to update our schools and replace decaying portables with modern, permanent classrooms.

All money raised by this measure will stay local to support our students and cannot be taken by the State or used for other purposes.

- Make repairs to older classrooms and school facilities, including deteriorating roofs, plumbing, ventilation, gas lines, sewer lines, and electrical systems.
- **Remove hazardous materials** like asbestos and lead pipes from older schools, where encountered.
- Improve **student safety** and campus security systems, including security fencing, security cameras, emergency communications systems, smoke detectors, fire alarms and sprinklers.
- **Upgrade older schools** so they **meet current health codes, building safety codes**, energy codes and provide proper access for students with disabilities.
- Retrofit older buildings so that they are earthquake safe, where needed.
- Replace aging portable classrooms that are expensive to maintain with modern, permanent classrooms.

SUPPORT HIGH QUALITY INSTRUCTION IN MATH, SCIENCE, ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

Projects That Improve Student Success and Safety

Goals and Purposes:

Student safety and security has become a top priority around the nation. This measure will provide funding for increased safety and security measures that will protect students and staff in case of an emergency.

Our students deserve to have the same educational opportunities as others in the region. By fixing our older schools and upgrading our classrooms and instructional technology, this bond will help improve the quality of education in our local schools.

If we want our kids to succeed in college and in-demand careers, they must be skilled in the use of today's technologies and have advanced classes in science, math, engineering and technology. This measure will make this possible.

- Provide modern labs and technical facilities and equipment, so students are prepared for college and in-demand careers in fields like health sciences, engineering, technology, hospitality and skilled trades.
- Provide the classrooms, facilities and instructional technology needed to support high quality instruction in math, science, engineering, and technology.
- Create modern, multi-use classrooms to support hands-on science instruction and learning-by-doing.
- Provide the classrooms and facilities needed to support high quality instruction in music, visual and performing arts.
- Upgrade classrooms and computer infrastructure to keep pace with technology.

In addition to the projects listed above, the repair and renovation of each of the existing school facilities may include, but not be limited to, some or all of the following: add or renovate student and staff restrooms; repair and upgrade electrical, plumbing, heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems; upgrade of facilities for energy efficiencies and financial savings; repair and replace worn-out and deteriorated roofs, windows, walls, floors, doors and drinking fountains/hydration stations; construct or renovate offices and facilities for multipurpose and indoor/outdoor learning spaces, more efficient areas for professional development and administration and for the safety of students on campuses; install wiring and electrical systems to safely accommodate computers, technology and other electrical devices; upgrade or construct support facilities including administrative, physical education, music, art, and performing and fine arts classrooms or facilities, science, computer labs/classrooms, career technical facilities, media centers/libraries and buildings, covered eating areas, shade and rain shelter, playgrounds, administrative and maintenance facilities and yards; acquire modular/portable classrooms; repair and replace fire alarms, emergency communications, public address and security systems; improve facilities to satisfy ADA and seismic requirements; as needed, removal of hazardous materials like asbestos and lead paint from older schools; site improvements; resurface or replace asphalt, broken concrete and improve hard courts, turf, tracks, irrigation, and downspout drainage systems and campus landscaping; replace portable classrooms; install signage, solar panels systems, battery systems, EV charging stations and electrification and fencing; improve recycling and composting facilities; expand parking and improve pick-up and drop-off areas; improve all site utilities; acquire land; construct or acquire new school buildings; upgrade or replace interior and exterior painting, floor covering, including carpets, and school facades; demolition; upgrade kitchens, food service and school cafeterias; construct various forms of storage and support spaces and classrooms; improve outdoor learning environments and quads; repair, upgrade and install interior and exterior lighting systems and back-up power generators; repair or improve playgrounds, playground structures and equipment, athletic fields and facilities, stadiums, bleachers, lockers and facilities to support student health, fitness and safety; relocate of Zimmerman Elementary School; relocation of District transportation yard and other support facilities; construct swimming pools/aquatic centers at Colton and Bloomington High Schools; replace outdated security fences and security systems (including access control systems), provide lunch shelters, indoor space for assemblies or for rainy day lunch; upgrade music and visual arts labs, multi-purpose rooms, learning centers and media center; energy resiliency and conservation; sustainability; code mandated upgrades. In addition to the listed projects stated above, the Project List also includes the acquisition of a variety of instructional, maintenance and operational equipment, including the reduction or retirement of outstanding lease obligations and interim funding incurred to advance fund projects from the Project List; payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility studies, assessment reviews, facility master plan preparation and updates, environmental studies (including environmental investigation, remediation and monitoring), design and construction documentation, DSA oversight, and temporary housing of dislocated District activities caused by construction projects.

The upgrading of technology infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, network rewiring, cabling, computers, portable interface devices, servers, switches, routers, modules, sound projection systems, laser printers, scanners and copiers, digital white boards, document projectors, upgrade voice-over-IP, clock/telephone/ intercom systems, call manager and network security/firewall, wireless technology systems, refresh classroom technology, miscellaneous IT and instructional equipment, data storage, archiving and preservation, phones, identity cards and the construction and installation of a data center in the cloud for the District's enterprise systems, such as resource planning, websites, domain name systems, cloud applications and information security.

The budget for each project is an estimate and may be affected by factors beyond the District's control. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans and construction documents are finalized, construction bids are received, construction contracts are awarded and projects are completed. Based on the final costs of each project, certain of the projects described above may be delayed or may not be completed. Demolition of portable classrooms and existing facilities and reconstruction of facilities scheduled for repair and upgrade may occur, if the Board determines that such an approach would be more cost-effective in creating more enhanced and operationally efficient campuses. Necessary site preparation/restoration may occur in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable or modular classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing, or installing irrigation or drainage systems, utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of way to the property. The listed projects will be completed as needed. Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, connection fees, program and project management, staff training expenses and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. Proceeds of the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of District bond audits and staff when performing work on or necessary and incidental to bond projects. Bond proceeds shall only be expended for the types of projects and purposes identified herein. The District shall create an account into which proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited and comply with the reporting requirements of Government Code § 53410.

FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY: THIS MEASURE REQUIRES A CLEAR SYSTEM OF ACCOUNTABILITY, INCLUDING A PROJECT LIST DETAILING HOW THE MONEY WILL BE USED, A CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, AND INDEPENDENT AUDITS TO ENSURE MONEY IS SPENT PROPERLY.

In accordance with Education Code Section 15272, the Board of Education will appoint a citizens' oversight committee and conduct annual independent audits to assure that funds are spent only on District projects and for no other purpose. The expenditure of bond money on these projects is subject to stringent financial accountability requirements. By law, performance and financial audits will be performed annually, and all bond expenditures will be monitored by an independent citizens' oversight committee to ensure that funds are spent as promised and specified. The citizens' oversight committee must include, among others, representation of a bona fide taxpayers association, a business organization and a senior citizens organization. No District employees or vendors are allowed to serve on the citizens' oversight committee.

No Administrator Salaries: Proceeds from the sale of the bonds authorized by this proposition shall be used only for the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and school administrator salaries and other operating expenses.

**BOND MEASURE C
MORONGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF BOND MEASURE C

This Impartial Analysis of Bond Measure C has been prepared by County Counsel pursuant to Section 9500 of the California Elections Code.

This Measure was placed on the ballot by a resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the Morongo Unified School District (District). A "yes" vote by at least fifty-five percent of the voters voting on this Measure will authorize the District to issue bonds to benefit the District in the amount of \$88,300,000. A "no" vote means that the District will not be authorized to issue and sell the \$88,300,000 in bonds set forth in the Measure.

The District's Resolution No. 25.01 was adopted pursuant to California Education Code sections 5304, 5322, 15100 et seq., and 15266, and paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and subdivision (b) of Section 18 of Article XVI of the California Constitution. The bond proceeds may only be used for specific school facilities projects listed under the "Bond Project List." The Bond Project List in the full text of the Measure contains the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this ballot Measure and such proceeds may only be used for those specific projects. These projects include: upgrades for technology, safety, and security; upgrades related to infrastructure and classroom buildings, restrooms fixtures, common areas and support facilities; modernization of existing structures and facilities; and other improvements.

The District will conduct financial and performance audits annually to ensure that the bond proceeds are spent only on the school facility projects listed in the Measure and will appoint an independent citizens' oversight committee, as required by Education Code section 15278 et seq., which may review audits, inspect school facilities, review deferred maintenance proposals, and review efforts to maximize bond revenues, in order to ensure bond revenues are used for proper purposes and that no funds are used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other school operating expenses.

Information regarding the estimated tax rate to repay these bonds is found in the "Tax Information Statement" prepared by the District, attached as Exhibit B to the full text of the Measure. The projected tax rate is based on projections and estimates from official sources and are not binding upon the District.

The bonded debt will be a general obligation of the District and will be financed by taxes levied annually on taxable property located within the District.

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF BOND MEASURE C

This Argument in Favor of Bond Measure C was submitted pursuant to Section 9501 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

Our schools are the cornerstone of our community, playing a crucial role in shaping our future and enhancing our neighborhood. Quality schools not only lead to higher-achieving students but also contribute to greater neighborhood safety and increased community pride. Although our dedicated teachers and staff excel in educating our children, many classrooms and facilities within the Morongo Unified School District are outdated and inadequate for providing the modern education our students deserve. That's why a YES vote on Measure C is essential!

Although our schools have been well maintained, aging classrooms and facilities need upgrades to meet 21st-century standards. Measure C will enable the District to enhance our schools and elevate the quality of education for local children. By investing in our schools, we can achieve today's educational standards, foster community pride, and increase property values.

Measure C has been designed to address the most urgent needs. By voting YES on Measure C, we will:

- Improve student access to computers and modern technology
- Make health, safety, and security improvements
- Upgrade aging electrical systems and roofs
- Replace aging heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning systems
- Modernize outdated classrooms, restrooms, and school facilities

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Measure C is financially prudent and safeguards taxpayers' interests.

- By law, all bond funds must be spent locally and cannot be taken by the State.
- Funds can only be spent on improving Morongo Unified School District schools, not on teacher or administrator salaries.
- Spending must be reviewed and annually audited by an independent citizens' oversight committee.

By supporting Measure C, we upgrade, renovate, and construct school facilities, enhance the education of local children, and maintain the quality of our community. Quality school facilities increase community pride and property values, making our neighborhoods more desirable places to live. Join us in this important effort – **VOTE YES ON MEASURE C!**

s/ Doug Weller, Former Superintendent
s/ Vonda Viland, Former Site Administrator
s/ Daniel L. Mintz Sr., 29 Palms City Councilmember
s/ Paul R. Hoffman, Past Board Mbr. HDMC
s/ Christopher Clair, MUSD Board Member

TAX RATE STATEMENT FOR BOND MEASURE C

An election will be held in the Morongo Unified School District (the "District") on November 5, 2024, to authorize the sale of up to \$88,300,000.00 in bonds of the District to finance school facilities as described in the measure. If the bond measure is approved by at least 55% of the voters of the District voting on the bond measure, the District expects to issue the bonds in multiple series over time. Principal and interest on the bonds will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400 through 9405 of the California Elections Code.

1. The best estimate of the average annual tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$36.19 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. The final fiscal year in which the tax to be levied to fund this bond issue is anticipated to be collected is fiscal year 2058-59.
2. The best estimate of the highest tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$39.00 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2025-26.
3. The best estimate of the total debt service, including the principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all of the bonds are issued and sold is approximately \$182,300,000.

Voters should note that estimated tax rates are based on the *ASSESSED VALUE* of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls, not on the property's market value, which could be more or less than the assessed value. In addition, taxpayers eligible for a property tax exemption, such as the homeowner's exemption, will be taxed at a lower effective tax rate than described above. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills and tax advisors to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon the District's projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the District. The average annual tax rate, the highest tax rate, the final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected and the year or years in which they will apply, and the actual total debt service, may vary from those presently estimated for a variety of reasons, including, without limitation, due to variations in the timing of bond sales, the amount or amortization of bonds sold, market conditions at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The dates of sale and the amount or amortization of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on need for project funds and other factors, including the legal limitations on bonds approved by a 55% affirmative vote. Market conditions, including, without limitation, interest rates, are affected by economic and other factors beyond the control of the District and will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process. The growth or decline in assessed valuation is the result of a number of economic and other factors outside the control of the District.

Dated: 5/21/2024.

s/ Superintendent
Morongo Unified School District

FULL TEXT FOR BOND MEASURE C

MORONGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL SAFETY, RENOVATION AND CONSTRUCTION MEASURE

This measure may be known and referred to as the "Morongo Unified School District School Safety, Renovation and Construction Measure" or as "Measure C".

BOND AUTHORIZATION

By approval of this measure by at least 55% of the voters of the Morongo Unified School District (the "District") voting on the measure, the District shall be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$88,300,000.00 in aggregate principal amount to provide financing for the specific school facilities projects listed under the heading entitled "BOND PROJECT LIST" below (the "Bond Project List") and qualify to receive State of California matching grant funds, subject to all of the accountability safeguards specified below.

ACCOUNTABILITY SAFEGUARDS

The provisions in this section are specifically included in this measure in order that the voters and taxpayers of the District may be assured that their money will be spent to address specific school facilities needs of the District, all in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the Constitution of the State of California (the "California Constitution"), and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at Sections 15264 and following of the California Education Code).

Evaluation of Needs. The Board of Education of the District (the "Board") has evaluated the facilities needs of the District to determine which projects to finance from a local bond at this time. To address the facilities needs of the District, the Board deems it necessary and advisable to fund the specific school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. The Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List.

Limitations on Use of Bonds. Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses. More specifically, the Bond Project List provides for the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure and such proceeds shall be applied only to those specific purposes.

Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee. In accordance with and pursuant to California Education Code Section 15278 *et seq.*, the Board shall establish an independent citizens' oversight committee, within 60 days of the date that the Board enters the election results on its minutes pursuant to Section 15274 of the California Education Code, to ensure that (a) bond revenues are expended only for the purposes specified in Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, and (b) that no funds are used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other school operating expenses. In accordance with Section 15282 of the California Education Code, the citizens' oversight committee shall consist of at least seven members and shall include a member active in a business organization representing the business community located within the District, a member active in a senior citizens' organization, a member active in a bona fide taxpayers' organization, a member that is a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District, and a member that is both a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District and active in a parent-teacher organization. The committee may be comprised of the same members of the citizens' oversight committees for other District bond measures. No employee or official of the District and no vendor, contractor or consultant of the District shall be appointed to the citizens' oversight committee.

Annual Performance Audits. In compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3)(C) of the California Constitution, and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000, the Board shall conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure have been expended only on the school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. These audits shall be conducted in accordance with the Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States for performance audits. The results of these audits shall be made publicly available and shall be submitted to the citizens' oversight committee in accordance with Section 15286 of the California Education Code.

Annual Financial Audits. In compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3)(D) of the California Constitution, and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000, the Board shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure until all of those proceeds have been spent for the school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. These audits shall be conducted in accordance with the Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States for financial audits. The results of these audits shall be made publicly available and shall be submitted to the citizens' oversight committee in accordance with Section 15286 of the California Education Code.

Special Bond Proceeds Account; Annual Report to Board. In compliance with the requirements of California Government Code Section 53410 and following, upon approval of this measure and the sale of any bonds approved, the Board shall take actions necessary to establish an account in which proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be deposited. In compliance with the requirements of California Government Code Section 53411, as long as any proceeds of the bonds remain unexpended, the chief fiscal officer of the District shall cause a report to be filed with the Board at least once a year, stating (a) the amount of funds collected and expended in that year, and (b) the status of any project required or authorized to be funded from bond proceeds. The report may relate to the calendar year, fiscal year, or other appropriate annual period as the chief fiscal officer of the District shall determine, and may be incorporated into the annual budget, audit, or other appropriate routine report to the Board.

FURTHER SPECIFICATIONS

Single Purpose. All of the purposes enumerated in this measure shall be united and voted upon as one single measure, pursuant to California Education Code Section 15100, and all the enumerated purposes shall constitute the specific single purpose of the bonds, and the proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be spent only for such purpose, pursuant to California Government Code Section 53410.

Other Terms of the Bonds. When sold, the bonds shall bear interest at an annual rate not exceeding the statutory maximum, and that interest shall be made payable at the time or times permitted by law. The bonds may be issued and sold in several series, and no bond shall be made to mature more than the statutory maximum number of years from the date borne by that bond.

BOND PROJECT LIST

The Bond Project List below lists the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds of the bonds. The Bond Project List shall be considered a part of this bond measure and shall be reproduced in any official document required to contain the full statement of the bond measure. Listed projects will be completed as needed at a particular school or school facility site according to Board-established priorities, and the order in which such projects appear on the Bond Project List is not an indication of priority for funding or completion. In so far as permitted by law, each project is assumed to include its share of costs of the election and bond issuance, construction-related costs, such as project and construction management, architectural, engineering, inspection and similar planning and testing costs, demolition and interim housing costs, legal, accounting and similar fees, costs related to the independent annual financial and performance audits, a contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs, and other costs incidental to or necessary for completion of the listed projects (whether the related work is performed by the District or third parties). The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized, construction bids are awarded, and projects are completed. In addition, certain project funds expected from non-local bond sources have not yet been secured. Therefore, the Board cannot guarantee that the bond proceeds will provide sufficient funds to allow completion of all listed projects. Alternatively, if the District obtains unexpected funds from non-local bond sources with respect to listed projects, such projects may be enhanced, supplemented or expanded to the extent of such funds. Some projects may be subject to further government approvals, including by State officials and boards and/or local environmental or agency approval. Inclusion of a project on the Bond Project List is not a guarantee that the project will be completed (regardless of whether bond funds are available).

The specific projects authorized to be financed with proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure are as follows:

DISTRICT WIDE PROJECTS

The following projects are authorized to be financed at all school facilities sites District wide:

- Improve student access to computers and modern technology by updating and/or acquiring and installing technology equipment, fixtures and infrastructure, including, but not limited to, computers, tablets, mobile devices, software, interactive educational technology, digital projectors and cameras, monitors, audio systems, video systems, network equipment (including, but not limited to, servers, network interface devices, network switches and routers, wireless network equipment, firewalls, network security equipment, racking, power and cooling equipment, wiring and uninterruptible power supply equipment and systems), backup power systems, etc.; rehabilitate and replace such equipment, fixtures and infrastructure as needed in the future. Technology equipment, fixtures and infrastructure includes existing technology equipment, fixtures and infrastructure as well as technology equipment, fixtures and infrastructure developed in the future.
- Upgrade, construct, expand and/or acquire and install safety and security improvements, equipment, fixtures and systems, including, but not limited to, fencing, gates, master key and lock systems, lighting, alarm systems, fire detection and suppression systems, emergency signage, safety doors, camera and video surveillance systems, and emergency communication systems.
- Make safety and accessibility improvements and/or eliminate or mitigate health and safety risks and/or comply with local, state and federal building, health, safety, access and other related requirements, including, but not limited to, requirements of the Field Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
- Renovate, replace, upgrade, acquire, install and/or integrate major site/building/utility systems, equipment and related infrastructure and housing including, but not limited to, lighting, electrical (including, but not limited to, wiring and related infrastructure for modern technology), heating, refrigeration, cooling and ventilation (including, but not limited to, HVAC), plumbing, water, sewer, gas, irrigation, drainage, and energy efficiency/management monitoring systems, networks, fixtures, equipment and controls.
- Modernize, upgrade, renovate, rehabilitate, re-configure, expand and/or upgrade classrooms, classroom buildings, restrooms, common areas and school support facilities (including, but not limited to, library, multipurpose room/auditorium, food storage, preparation and service, cafeteria and office/staff support facilities), whether permanent, portable or modular, including interior and exterior (as applicable) doors, windows, door and window hardware, roofs, rain gutters and downspouts, pillars, structural supports, walls, ceilings and floors and finishes, paint, siding, insulation, casework, surfaces, cabinets, secured storage, carpets, drapes, window coverings, infrastructure, lighting, sinks, drinking fountains, fixtures, signage, furniture and equipment.
- Construct, replace, improve, renovate and/or acquire and install playgrounds, playfields and other play spaces, including, but not limited to, replacing turf and installing new irrigation and drainage systems, and acquire, improve, replace and/or upgrade playground equipment and fixtures.
- Construct, replace, improve, renovate and/or acquire and install physical education facilities and grounds, including, but not limited to, gymnasiums, locker rooms, fields, courts, turf, outside instructional areas, paved and other hard surfaces, and replace, acquire and/or install furniture, equipment and fixtures in such facilities and areas.
- Repair or replace roofs.
- Replace portable classrooms with permanent classrooms.
- Acquire, purchase and/or install furniture, equipment, fixtures and infrastructure to support STEAM/STEM instructional programs, including, but not limited to, interactive educational technology and projection systems, computers, printers, scanners, digital projectors and cameras, audio systems, video systems, phone and sound projections systems, peripherals, smart boards, monitors, network equipment (including, but not limited to, servers, network interface devices, network switches and routers, wireless network equipment, firewalls, network security equipment, racking, power and cooling equipment, wiring and uninterruptible power supplies); furnishing and equipping shall include initial purchases, and scheduled and necessary replacements and upgrades and updating of technology.
- Construct, replace, improve, renovate and/or acquire and install auditoriums and performing arts classrooms, centers and related facilities.

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- Construct and/or install new or renovate existing on-site storm mitigation improvements, systems, fixtures and/or equipment to help prevent or mitigate damage from natural disasters or severe weather (including, but not limited to, rain, flooding, erosion, thunderstorms, micro bursts, mudslides, hail, and wind), including, but not limited to, culverts, retention ponds, diversions, gutters, curbs, drains, swells, deep wells, French drains, drainage pipes, grates, stem/retaining walls, v-ditches, and catch basins.

MISCELLANEOUS

All listed bond projects include the following as needed:

- Planning, designing and providing temporary housing necessary for listed bond projects.
- The inspection, sampling and analysis of grounds, buildings and building materials to determine the presence of hazardous materials or substances, including, but not limited to, asbestos, lead, etc., and the encapsulation, removal, disposal and other remediation or control of such hazardous materials and substances.
- Seismic and historical evaluations, site surveys (including, but not limited to, topographic, geological and utility surveys), and infrastructure analyses.
- On-site storm mitigation improvements, systems, fixtures and/or equipment to help prevent or mitigate damage from natural disasters or severe weather (including, but not limited to, rain, flooding, erosion, thunderstorms, micro bursts, mudslides, hail, and wind), including, but not limited to, culverts, retention ponds, diversions, gutters, curbs, drains, swells, deep wells, French drains, drainage pipes, grates, stem/retaining walls, v-ditches, and catch basins.
- Necessary onsite and offsite preparation or restoration in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable buildings or other temporary buildings, including, but not limited to, demolition of structures; removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, drainage, utility lines (gas, water, sewer, electrical, data and voice, etc.), trees and landscaping; and relocating fire access roads or ingress/egress pathways.
- Address other unforeseen conditions revealed by construction, renovation or modernization (including, but not limited to, plumbing or gas line breaks, dry rot, seismic and structural deficiencies, etc.).
- Acquire or construct other improvements required to comply with building codes, including, but not limited to, seismic safety requirements, the Field Act, and access requirements.
- Acquisition of any rights-of-way, easements, licenses and/or real property made necessary by listed bond projects, or lease of real property made necessary by the listed bond projects.
- Acquire or construct storage facilities and other space on an interim basis, as needed to accommodate construction materials, equipment, and personnel.
- Furnishing and equipping of classrooms and other school facilities; furnishing and equipping shall include initial purchases, and scheduled and necessary replacements, upgrades and updating of technology.
- All other costs and work necessary or incidental to the listed bond projects.

PROJECTS INVOLVING RENOVATION, REHABILITATION OR REPAIR

For any project involving renovation, rehabilitation or repair of a building or the major portion of a building, the District shall be authorized to proceed with new replacement construction instead (including, but not limited to, any necessary demolition) if the Board determines that replacement new construction is more practical than renovation, rehabilitation or repair, considering the building's age, condition, expected remaining life, comparative cost and other relevant factors.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Interpretation. The terms of this bond measure and the words used in the Bond Project List shall be interpreted broadly to effect the purpose of providing broad and clear authority for the officers and employees of the District to provide for the school facilities projects the District proposes to finance with the proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this measure within the authority provided by law, including Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, California Education Code Section 15000 *et seq.* and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, such words as repair, improve, upgrade, expand, modernize, renovate, and reconfigure are used in the Bond Project List to describe school facilities projects in plain English and are not intended to expand the nature of such projects beyond, or have an effect on, and shall be interpreted to only permit, what is authorized under Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, California Education Code Section 15000 *et seq.* and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000. In this regard, the Bond Project List does not authorize, and shall not be interpreted to authorize, expending proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this measure for current maintenance, operations or repairs. The school facilities projects on the Bond Project List only authorize capital expenditures.

Estimated Ballot Information. The Board hereby declares, and the voters by approving this bond measure concur, that the information included in the statement of the bond measure to be voted on pursuant to Section 13119 of the California Elections Code is based upon the District's projections and estimates only and is not binding upon the District. The amount of money to be raised annually and the rate and duration of the tax to be levied for the bonds may vary from those presently estimated due to variations from these estimates in the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on need for project funds and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

Headings. The headings or titles of the sections of the bond measure, including any headings or titles included in the Bond Project List, are solely for convenience of reference and shall not affect the meaning, construction or effect of the bond measure.

Severability. The Board and the voters hereby declare that every portion, section, subdivision, paragraph, clause, sentence, phrase, word, application and individual project (individually referred to as "Part" and collectively as "Parts"), of this bond measure has independent value, and the Board and the voters would have adopted each Part hereof regardless of whether any other Part of this bond measure would be subsequently declared invalid. Upon approval of this bond measure by the voters, should any Part of this bond measure be found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid for any reason, all remaining Parts hereof shall remain in full force and effect to the fullest extent allowed by law, and to this end the Parts of this bond measure are severable.

**BOND MEASURE D
REDLANDS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF BOND MEASURE D

This Impartial Analysis of Bond Measure D has been prepared by County Counsel pursuant to Section 9500 of the California Elections Code.

This Measure was placed on the ballot by a resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the Redlands Unified School District (District). A "yes" vote by at least fifty-five percent of the voters voting on this Measure will authorize the District to issue bonds to benefit the District in the amount of \$500,000,000. A "no" vote means that the District will not be authorized to issue and sell the \$500,000,000 in bonds set forth in the Measure.

The District's Resolution No. 6, 2024-2025 was adopted pursuant to California Education Code sections 5303, 5322, 5342, 5363, 15100 et seq., and 15264 et seq., Government Code section 53410, and Articles XIII A and XVI of the California Constitution. The bond proceeds may only be used for specific school facilities projects listed under the "School Facilities Projects." The projects list in the full text of the Measure contains the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this ballot Measure and such proceeds may only be used for those specific projects. These projects include renovations to aging school facilities; replacing, upgrading, or repairing roofing, windows, doors, heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems, electrical systems, plumbing fixtures; removal and mitigation of hazardous materials like asbestos, lead, PCB, mold and mildew; improvement of student safety and campus security systems; providing technology upgrades; improvement of playgrounds, athletic fields, aquatic facilities, gymnasiums and locker room facilities; improvement, upgrade, renovation, and construction of classrooms and lab facilities to support career technical education; and other improvements.

The District will conduct financial and performance audits annually to ensure that the bond proceeds are spent only on the school facility projects listed in the Measure and will appoint an independent citizens' oversight committee, in compliance with Education Code section 15272 et seq., which may review audits, inspect school facilities, review deferred maintenance proposals, and review efforts to maximize bond revenues, in order to ensure bond revenues are used for proper purposes and that no funds are used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other school operating expenses.

The estimated tax rate to repay these bonds is \$45 per \$100,000 of assessed value, with the District estimating that the tax will raise a total of \$25,300,000 in additional revenue per year. The projected tax rate is based on projections and estimates from official sources and is not binding upon the District. The bonded debt will be a general obligation of the District and will be financed by taxes levied annually on taxable property located within the District.

TOM BUNTON
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Deputy County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF BOND MEASURE D

This Argument in Favor of Bond Measure D was submitted pursuant to Section 9501 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

For the health and safety of our kids, vote YES on D!

Our students deserve to learn in classrooms that are healthy and safe, but over 80% of local schools are more than 60-years-old and in urgent need of basic health and safety repairs.

YES on D CREATES SAFER SCHOOLS BY:

- ✓ Removing asbestos, mold and lead
- ✓ Fixing leaky roofs
- ✓ Repairing deteriorating sewer, gas and electrical systems
- ✓ Repairing plumbing and bathrooms
- ✓ **Protecting students from the impact of extreme heat**

We know how hot it gets here. Our older schools have ancient wiring that cause more frequent power outages that not only disrupt learning, it puts our children's health at serious risk.

YES on D will create safer schools by updating wiring, better windows, efficient air conditioning and shade structures to keep our kids safe in all types of weather.

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Measure D includes strong fiscal accountability provisions:

Measure D creates an Independent Citizens Oversight Committee to monitor how funds are spent

Measure D requires annual audits

Measure D requires public disclosure of all spending

By law, all Measure D funds must be used ONLY for Redlands USD schools and cannot be taken by the State.

In these challenging times, it's critical that our local schools prepare students to compete in the twenty-first century economy.

YES on D also improves vocational and career education programs by upgrading classrooms and equipment to introduce students to skilled trade careers and provide quality job training opportunities that allow students who choose not to go to college to acquire hands-on world skills and compete for good-paying jobs when they graduate.

Join Redlands Unified parents from Redlands, Highland, Loma Linda, Mentone and San Bernardino along with teachers, firefighters, nurses and community leaders in voting YES on D.

s/ James Verhoeven, US History Teacher, RHS

s/ Shelli Pickens, Owner

s/ Jacob Allenbach, Nurse

s/ John Fee, Firefighter

s/ Jill Green, Community Member

TAX RATE STATEMENT FOR BOND MEASURE D

As shown in the provided official ballot, an election is being held in the Redlands Unified School District ("District") on November 5, 2024, for the purpose of submitting to the registered voters within the District the question of whether the District shall be authorized to issue and sell bonds in an amount not to exceed 500 million dollars for the purpose of providing funds for the specified school facilities and school projects as set forth in the resolution of the District calling such bond election. This measure will authorize an *ad valorem* tax sufficient for payment of interest on, and redemption of, the bonds. If authorized, the bonds shall bear interest at a rate, or rates, to be established at such time as the bonds are sold, in one or more series, at fixed or variable interest rates not to exceed the maximum applicable statutory rate for such bonds. If such bonds are authorized and sold, the principal thereof and the interest thereon are a general obligation of the District payable solely from the proceeds of *ad valorem* property taxes on taxable real property located within the District.

The following information is submitted in compliance with California Elections Code Sections 9401 through 9405 based on estimates of assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement:

- (a) The best estimate from official sources of the average annual tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue during the entire duration of the bond debt service (repayment of the bonds) based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, which is a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction or other demonstrable factors, is \$0.0378 per \$100 (\$37.80 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation. The final fiscal year in which such tax is anticipated to be collected is 2063-2064.
- (b) The best estimate from official sources of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund such bond issue(s) based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, which is a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction or other demonstrable factors, is \$0.0450 per \$100 (\$45 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation. It is estimated that this tax rate would apply in the 2025-2026 tax/fiscal year.
- (c) The best estimate of the total debt service, including principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is \$987,076,922.

Voters should note that these estimated tax rates are based on the *assessed value* of taxable property within the District as shown on the official rolls of San Bernardino County, *not* on the property's market value. In addition, taxpayers eligible for a property tax exemption, such as the homeowner's exemption, will be taxed at a lower effective rate than described above. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the San Bernardino County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills and/or tax advisors to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

The attention of all voters is directed to the fact that these estimates are based on assumptions and projections derived from information currently available and obtained from official sources. The actual tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary depending on the timing of any bond sales, the amount of bonds sold, the maturities of the bonds issued and sold, market interest rates at the time of each sale of bonds and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The figures provided above are estimations based on the factors noted herein and are not maximum limitations. The timing of the bond sales and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be governed by the needs of the District. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each such sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the San Bernardino County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

Dated: August 6, 2024

s/ Juan Cabral, Superintendent, Redlands Unified School District

FULL TEXT FOR BOND MEASURE D

REDLANDS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENT HEALTH/SAFETY, CLASSROOM REPAIR MEASURE

BOND MEASURE TITLE

This measure may be known and referred to as the "Redlands Unified School District Classroom Student Health/Safety, Classroom Repair Measure" or as "Measure D".

KEY FINDINGS

- Redlands Unified School District (the "District") is committed to creating safer schools that will prepare students to compete in the highly competitive 21st century economy; and
- The District has conducted a thorough assessment of its school facility needs and received input from teachers, staff and the community and evaluated the District's urgent and critical school facility needs, including safety issues, career technical education facility requirements, computer and classroom instructional technology needs, and prepared a needs assessment in developing the scope of facility projects to be funded; and
- The District believes that students deserve to learn in classrooms that are healthy and safe, but recognizes that over 80 percent of local schools are more than 60 years old and in urgent need of basic health and safety repairs; and
- The District wants to create safer schools including removing asbestos, mold and lead; fixing leaking roofs, deteriorating sewer, gas and electrical systems, broken plumbing and bathrooms; and providing safe drinking water; and
- The District recognizes that its older schools, with ancient grids and wiring are more vulnerable to extreme heat and strong winds that cause more frequent power outages in our schools that can disrupt student learning and puts their health at risk; and
- The District wants to create safer schools with up-to-date electrical wiring and windows, efficient air conditioning systems, and necessary shade structures; and
- The District believes that continued improvements to school facilities will improve the high quality of education for each student in every classroom; and
- The District believes that continued improvements to school facilities will help retain and attract high quality teachers; and
- The District believes that updating instructional technology will equip our students with skills and a solid background in science, math and technology needed to succeed in college and careers; and
- This measure will benefit local schools and no funds can be taken away by the State of California (the "State") or other school districts, and by law, no money can be used for administrator salaries; and
- This bond requires strict fiscal accountability protections including mandatory annual audits and an independent citizens' oversight committee made up of local residents to ensure funds are managed and spent properly.

In order to acquire, construct and reconstruct school facilities, and provide for supporting infrastructure at the existing school sites of the Redlands Unified School District, and in so doing increase health, safety, welfare and educational effectiveness of classrooms for students, shall the Redlands Unified School District be authorized to issue Bonds in an amount not to exceed 500 million dollars, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities or the acquisition or lease of real property for schools and school facilities listed in Attachment "1" on file at the District office and herein incorporated, which Bonds shall be issued for a term not to exceed the applicable statutory maximum, which is currently twenty-five (25) years in the case of bonds issued under the authority of the Education Code and forty (40) years in the case of bonds issued under the authority of the Government Code, at an interest rate below the legal maximum.

ACCOUNTABILITY SAFEGUARDS

If this bond measure is approved, all bonds and bond funds shall be subject to all of the accountability safeguards set forth below:

- (A) That proceeds of the Bonds shall be used only for the construction of school facilities and supporting infrastructure, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities pursuant to California Constitution Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) and further that the proceeds of the Bonds shall be used only for the purposes specified in California Constitution Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) (as amended by Proposition 39) and not for any other purpose, including teacher and non-construction related administrator salaries and any other school operating expenses.
- (B) That a list of the specific school facilities projects to be funded with the proceeds of the Bonds is attached hereto as Attachment "1" and, based upon the adoption of this Resolution, this Board of Education hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the school facilities listed in Attachment "1".
- (C) That the Board of Education of the District shall conduct an annual, independent performance audit to insure that the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds have been expended only on the specific projects listed in this bond proposition.
- (D) That the Board of Education of the District shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for the school facilities projects identified herein.
- (E) That the Board of Education of the District will, pursuant to the provisions of applicable State law, appoint a citizens' oversight committee, and conduct annual independent audits (as referenced above) to assure that the Bond proceeds are spent only on the school, facilities and classroom improvements, projects and costs identified in Attachment "1" and for no other purposes. There shall be public disclosure of all bond fund spending.

Repayment Projections: The tax levied to repay the Bonds is estimated to average \$25,309,665 annually anticipated to be collected through 2064 at a rate of approximately \$0.0378 per \$100 / \$37.80 per \$100,000 of assessed value as further set out in the Tax Rate Statement provided to voters with this bond measure.

Taxpayer Protections: The following taxpayer protections are specifically provided in this Bond Measure and by law:

- Bond funds shall be used only for the school facilities projects identified herein, and **not for any other purpose**.
- As required by law, an **Independent Citizen's Oversight Committee** shall oversee expenditures of bond funds, and related matters, and shall report to the Board of Education and communicate with the public with public disclosure of such expenditures.
- As required by law, the School District shall conduct **annual financial audits and performance audits** (using independent auditors) for all bond funds.
- Bond Funds **shall not be used** for construction related administrator salaries or other non-construction related operating expenses.

ATTACHMENT "1"

REDLANDS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL FACILITIES PROJECTS

The general obligation bonds of the Redlands Unified School District ("District") would be used to finance the design, acquisition, installation, restoration and construction of public schools and school facilities and providing facilities

improvements and upgrades, and related facilities costs, including, but not limited to, financing the following: modernizing, repairing and rehabilitating existing school facilities and adding certain new school facilities to meet current health, safety and instructional standards which will improve the overall educational experience for all students in the District. Such projects include, but are not limited to, repairing and replacing leaky roofs; renovating bathroom facilities at each District school campus; and reconstruction, renovation, modernization and construction of classrooms, libraries, roofing, playgrounds, plumbing, electrical and network infrastructure, walkways, fields and related projects. Project costs for expansion of existing facilities may include, but are not limited to, some or all of the following: site preparation, infrastructure and related expenses; and construction, acquisition or lease of temporary, portable or permanent classrooms, instructional support and ancillary facilities.

The following School District education facilities and educational support facilities are identified as the sites and facilities on which the bond funds may be expended:

The Bond Project List below lists the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds of the bonds. The Bond Project List shall be considered a part of this bond proposition and shall be reproduced in any official document required to contain the full statement of the bond proposition.

STUDENT HEALTH/SAFETY, CLASSROOM REPAIR PROJECTS

The following projects are authorized to be financed at all school facilities sites District wide, including those school sites listed below:

Elementary & Early Education School Facilities

Arroyo Verde Elementary School	Lugonia Elementary School
Bryn Mawr Elementary School	Mariposa Elementary School
Crafton Elementary School	McKinley Elementary School
Cram Elementary School	Mentone Elementary School
Franklin Elementary School	Mission Elementary School
Highland Grove Elementary School	Smiley Elementary School
Judson & Brown Elementary School	
Kimberly Elementary School	Victoria Elementary School
Kingsbury Elementary School	Early Education School Facilities

Middle School Facilities

Beattie Middle School	Moore Middle School
Clement Middle School	Cope Middle School
Design, construct and furnish Middle School No. 5	

High School & Alternative Education Facilities

Citrus Valley High School	Redlands High School
Orangewood High School	Adult Education Facilities
Redlands East Valley High School	Other District-wide facilities (as described herein)

HEALTH AND SAFETY REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS TO AGING SCHOOL FACILITIES

- Structural repairs and upgrades, roofing, replacement of windows, doors, and building finish materials.
- Replace, upgrade or repair interior finishes: paint, ceiling and wall finishes, window coverings, flooring and casework.
- Replace, upgrade or repair heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) systems.
- Repairing inefficient and potentially faulty electrical systems.
- Repairing or replacing infrastructure including water, sewer, gas and related utility systems.
- Replace, upgrade or repair electrical systems, including lighting, power distribution and control systems.
- Replace, upgrade or repair plumbing including fixtures and repairs to sewer and water distribution systems.
- Code compliance upgrades and replacement of non-conforming buildings and structures at existing facilities.
- Renovate, rehabilitate, re-configure, replace and/or upgrade portable classrooms and restrooms, and furnish and equip the same.
- Technology Upgrades, improvements, alterations to Network infrastructure.
- Parking facility improvements, including resurfacing, expansion and lighting.
- Improve, upgrade, replace, expand student playgrounds, athletic fields, aquatic facilities, student recreational and athletic equipment, gymnasiums, and locker-room facilities.
- Upgrading, modernizing, equipping and furnishing District classrooms, academies, facilities for fine and performing arts, and other facilities including kitchens, cafeterias, multi-purpose rooms and bathrooms, including constructing additional bathrooms/restrooms where needed.

UPGRADE SCHOOLS, FACILITIES, CLASSROOMS, LABS, CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT FACILITIES

- Improve, upgrade, renovate, and/or construct and install classroom and lab facilities and related support facilities needed to support the career technical education requirements for student job training, and career placement.
- Renovate, rehabilitate, re-configure, replace, expand and/or upgrade portable and permanent classrooms, classroom buildings, labs and school support facilities, including interior and exterior doors, windows, door and window hardware, roofs, rain gutters and downspouts, walls, marker boards, ceilings and floors and finishes, paint, siding, insulation, casework, cabinets, carpets, drapes, window coverings, lighting, sinks, fixtures, signage, fencing, furniture and equipment.
- Improve, upgrade, replace, expand student playgrounds, athletic fields, stadiums, aquatic facilities, student recreational and athletic equipment, gymnasiums, and locker-room facilities.
- Furnish and equip career technical education facilities; furnishing and equipping shall include initial purchases, and scheduled and necessary replacements, upgrades and updating of technology.
- Renovate, repair, upgrade, expand, construct and equip central kitchen and school site kitchen facilities.
- Add, modify, replace and equip school sites with modern security and communications systems or equipment, including, but not limited to, the District's Emergency Management System (EMS), to promote campus and student safety and security.
- Renovate, repair, upgrade and construct new restroom and sanitary structures, water and wastewater plumbing and related structures and infrastructure.
- Renovate, repair, modernize, upgrade and provide for new construction of facilities at District education support facilities and sites, to include the packinghouse, service center, central kitchen, transportation centers, board room, special services facilities, District offices, enrollment center, technology services facilities, warehouse facilities, Orange Street PDC, language center and supply facilities.

PROJECTS AT EXISTING SCHOOL SITES

Authorized projects include upgrading, expanding, replacing and/or constructing new facilities or integrating land property acquisitions for existing school sites, including currently vacant school sites, as the Board of Trustees may determine is necessary to improve the delivery of the District's educational programs and/or address overcrowding at District school sites including furnishing and equipping all such facilities.

PROJECTS INVOLVING RENOVATION, REHABILITATION OR REPAIR

For any project involving renovation, rehabilitation or repair of a building or the major portion of a building, the District shall be authorized to proceed with new replacement construction instead (including any necessary demolition) if the Board determines that replacement new construction is more practical than renovation, rehabilitation or repair, considering the building's age, condition, expected remaining life, comparative cost and other relevant factors.

ACTIONS TO ENSURE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS MITIGATION, ADA COMPLIANCE AND OTHER NEEDS DURING CONSTRUCTION/RENOVATION

- Remove and mitigate hazardous materials (e.g. asbestos, lead, PCB, mold, mildew, etc.) where necessary.
- Improve contingencies as required to comply with existing building codes and state/federal requirements, including access requirements of the ADA.
- Provide adequate furniture and equipment for all classrooms, and spaces to be newly constructed, modernized or reconstructed.
- Acquisition of any of the facilities on this School Facilities Project List through temporary lease or lease-purchase arrangements or execute purchase option under lease for any of these authorized facilities.
- Necessary site preparation/restoration in connection with renovation or remodeling, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of ways to property.
- If the Board of Education determines that replacement is more economical than rehabilitation, improvement, or renovation of existing classrooms/school facilities, in those particular cases replacement/new construction will be explored/pursued.
- Provide temporary (interim) classrooms and other school facilities as needed to accommodate students and school functions displaced during construction, including, but not limited to, relocation costs.
- The costs to demolish/remove facilities when no longer needed and the costs to restore site and utility systems after removal.
- Modernization upgrade or replacement of structures includes permanent, portable or modular structures.

Project costs for the above referenced projects may include installation costs, engineering and design costs, project management/construction management costs, warranty costs, master facilities planning, state or local costs or expenses involving design, planning, site and facilities development costs and charges, environmental review(s) and proceedings, necessary supporting infrastructure costs, relocation costs and expenses, necessary contingency plans and related costs construction and completion of the aforementioned facilities projects, audit costs, direct legal costs and related costs. Project costs may also include the payment or prepayment of existing or future lease payments and/or interim financing costs for lease of authorized facilities, property or buildings, prepayment of lease obligations for facilities purposes (including temporary classroom facilities) and payment of costs and expenses for interim financing of authorized facilities (including, but not limited to, financing delivery costs). Proceeds of the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of District staff when performing work on, or necessary and incidental to, bond projects. Allowable project costs also include: costs of issuing the bonds or other securities (as authorized under California law), informational distribution costs and election costs authorized under State law.

The scope and nature of any of the specific projects described above may be altered by the District as required by unforeseen conditions that may arise during the course of design and accomplishment of the projects. In the event that a modernization or renovation project is more economical for the District to be undertaken as new construction, this bond measure authorizes land acquisition, relocation and construction and/or reconstruction, and all costs relating thereto, for said reason or, alternatively, based on other considerations deemed in the best interest of the District by the Board of Education. In addition, this measure authorizes the acquisition of real property, including necessary rights of ways or other real property interests, required to expand District facilities, to provide access to school or other District facilities, or to provide additional school or related facilities.

The terms of this bond proposition and the words used in the Bond Project List shall be interpreted broadly to effect the purpose of providing broad and clear authority for the officers and employees of the District to provide for the school facilities projects the District proposes to finance with the proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition within the authority provided by law, including Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, Education Code Section 15000 *et seq.* and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, such words as repair, improve, upgrade, expand, acquire, construct, furnish, modernize, renovate, and reconfigure are used in the Bond Project List to describe school facilities projects in plain English and are not intended to expand the nature of such projects beyond, or have an effect on, and shall be interpreted to only permit, what is authorized under Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, Education Code Section 15000 *et seq.* and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000. In this regard, the Bond Project List does not authorize, and shall not be interpreted to authorize, expending proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition for current maintenance, operation or repairs. The school facilities projects on the Bond Project List only authorize use of bond funds for capital expenditures.

This School Facilities Project List describes the specific facilities and capital projects the District may finance with proceeds of the Bonds. In addition, authorized projects include reimbursements for paid project costs and paying and/or prepaying interim or previously obtained financing for the types of projects included on the project list, such as bond anticipation notes, and including payment and prepayment of lease payments relating to projects and/or equipment previously financed. Listed projects will be completed as needed at a particular school site according to Board-established priorities, and the order in which such projects appear on this School Facilities Project List is not an indication of priority for funding or completion. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized, construction bids are awarded, and projects are completed. Certain construction funds expected from non-bond sources, including State grant funds for eligible projects, have not yet been secured. Until all project costs and funding sources are known, the Board of Education cannot determine the amount of bond proceeds available to be allocated for each project, nor guarantee that the bonds will provide sufficient funds to allow completion of all listed projects. Completion of some projects may be subject to further government approvals by State officials and boards, to local environmental review, and to input from the public. For these reasons, inclusion of a project on the School Facilities Projects List is not a guarantee that any specific project listed herein will be funded, constructed or completed by a specific date.

The headings or titles of the sections of this bond proposition, including any headings or titles included in the Bond Project List, are solely for convenience of reference and shall not affect the meaning, construction or effect of this bond proposition.

The Board hereby declares, and the voters by approving this bond proposition concur therewith, that every section and part of this bond proposition has independent value, and the Board and the voters would have adopted each provision hereof regardless of every other provision hereof. Upon approval of this bond proposition by the voters, should any part be found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid for any reason, all remaining parts hereof shall remain in full force and effect to the fullest extent allowed by law, and to this end the provisions of this bond proposition are severable.

In preparing the foregoing School Facilities Project List, the Board of Education of the Redlands Unified School District has evaluated safety, class size and information technology needs.

**BOND MEASURE E
RIM OF THE WORLD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF BOND MEASURE E

This Impartial Analysis of Bond Measure E has been prepared by County Counsel pursuant to Section 9500 of the California Elections Code.

This Measure was placed on the ballot by a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of Rim of the World Unified School District (District). A "yes" vote by at least fifty-five percent of the voters voting on this Measure will authorize the District to issue bonds to benefit the District in the amount of \$71,000,000. A "no" vote means that the District will not be authorized to issue and sell the \$71,000,000 in bonds set forth in the Measure.

The District's Resolution No. 23/24-20 was adopted pursuant to California Education Code sections 5303, 5322, 15100 et seq., and 15264 et seq., Government Code sections 53506 and 53531, and Article XIII A of the California Constitution. The bond proceeds may only be used for specific school facilities projects listed under the "Project List." The "Project List" in the full text of the Measure contains the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this ballot Measure and such proceeds may only be used for those specific projects. These projects include: repairing or replacing deteriorating roofs, plumbing, heating, ventilation, air conditioning and electrical systems; upgrading older schools to meet current health and building codes and provide access for students with disabilities; improving student safety and campus security systems; removing hazardous materials like asbestos and lead paint from older school sites; upgrading and modernizing science labs, engineering labs and career training facilities; providing classrooms, facilities and technology to support instruction in math, science, engineering, the arts, technology, music, visual and performing arts; and other improvements.

The District will conduct financial and performance audits annually to ensure that the bond proceeds are spent only on the school facility projects listed in the Measure and will appoint an independent citizens' oversight committee, as required by Education Code section 15272, which may review audits, inspect school facilities, review deferred maintenance proposals, and review efforts to maximize bond revenues, in order to ensure bond revenues are used for proper purposes and that no funds are used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other school operating expenses.

The estimated tax rate to repay these bonds is 3 cents per \$100 assessed value, with the District estimating that the tax will raise a total of \$4,000,000 in additional revenue per year. The projected tax rate is based on projections and estimates from official sources and are not binding upon the District. The bonded debt will be a general obligation of the District and will be financed by taxes levied annually on taxable property located within the District.

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF BOND MEASURE E

This Argument in Favor of Bond Measure E was submitted pursuant to Section 9501 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

Vote Yes on E for Locally Controlled Funding to Repair and Upgrade Our Rim Schools!

Rim of the World Unified School District places a priority on ensuring all our students receive a quality education. However, our schools were built over 50 years ago and are in dire need of repairs and upgrades so that they can serve our community well for decades to come.

High school science labs haven't been updated in 25 years. We need to modernize classrooms and science labs to meet today's academic standards, ensuring our students graduate with a strong foundation in science, math engineering and technology. Our students deserve to have the same educational opportunities as others in the region.

As temperatures rise, our classrooms are too hot to teach in. Old plumbing, heating, cooling and electrical systems are outdated, and ventilation systems are insufficient to ensure healthy, clean air for students and educators.

That's why we need Measure E.

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All Money Raised Will Stay in Our Community for Our Students

- All funds would be controlled locally for our schools– the State cannot take one dime
- No funds can be used for administrators' salaries or pensions
- Independent citizens' oversight and mandatory annual audits ensure funds are spent as promised
- A detailed project list outlining the specific use of funds is required

Passing Measure E will make our schools eligible for matching state funds, which would otherwise go to other districts.

Vote Yes on E: Prepare Students for the 21st Century

- Repair or replace deteriorating roofs, plumbing, and electrical systems
- Update heating and cooling systems and remove asbestos and lead pipes
- Improve school safety and security systems
- Update classrooms and science labs to support education in science, math, engineering, arts, and other skilled trades

Join community leaders, teachers and parents and vote YES on E!

s/ Jo Bonita Rains, Retired Educator

s/ Kim McGuire, Fundraiser

s/ Kimberlee Shefts, President, Mountain Area Council of PTAS

s/ Dixi Willemse, EMS & FERC Coordinator

s/ Hugh A. Bialecki, DMD

TAX RATE STATEMENT FOR BOND MEASURE E

An election will be held in the Rim of the World Unified School District (the "District") on November 5, 2024 for the purpose of submitting to the electors of the District the question of incurring bonded indebtedness of the District in the principal amount of \$71,000,000. If such bonds are authorized and sold, the principal thereof and interest thereon will be payable from the proceeds of taxes levied on the taxable property in the District. The following information regarding tax rates is given in compliance with Sections 9400-9404 of the California Elections Code. This information is based upon the best estimates and projections presently available from official sources, upon experience within the District and other demonstrable factors.

Based upon the foregoing and projections of the assessed valuation of taxable property in the District, and assuming the entire debt service on the bonds will be paid through property taxation:

1. The best estimate of the average annual tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on assessed valuations available at the time of the filing of the statement, or a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction or other demonstrable factors is \$27 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation of all property to be taxed. It is estimated that the final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected is fiscal year 2056-57.

2. The best estimate of the highest tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue, and an estimate of the year in which that rate will apply, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of the filing of this statement, or a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction or other demonstrable factors, is \$27 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation of all property to be taxed for fiscal years 2025-26 through and including 2056-57.

3. The best estimate of the total debt service, including the principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is approximately \$134,901,284.

Attention of voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon projections and estimates only. The actual timing of sales of the bonds and the amount to be sold at any time will be governed by the needs of the Rim of the World Unified School District and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold, which will not exceed the maximum permitted by law, will depend upon the bond market at the time of sale. The actual assessed valuations in future years will depend upon the value of property within the District as determined in the assessment and the equalization process. Assessed valuations is not the same as market price of real property. Therefore, the actual tax rates and the years in which those tax rates will be applicable may vary from those presently estimated and stated above.

Voters should note that estimated tax rates are based on the *ASSESSED VALUE* of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls, not on the property's market value. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

s/ Dr. Paul Sevillano
Superintendent
Rim of the World Unified School District

FULL TEXT FOR BOND MEASURE E

The following is the full proposition presented to the voters by the Rim of the World Unified School District.

"To improve school safety and security systems, repair/replace deteriorating roofs, plumbing, heating, cooling/ electrical systems, remove asbestos/ lead pipes and upgrade, acquire, construct classrooms, facilities, sites/equipment to support college and career readiness in science, math, engineering, arts, and skilled trades, shall Rim of the World Unified School District's measure authorizing \$71,000,000 bonds at legal rates be adopted, levying 3 cents per \$100 assessed value (\$4,000,000 annually) while bonds are outstanding, with citizen oversight, audits and all money staying local?"

PROJECT LIST

The Board of Trustees of the Rim of the World Unified School District is committed to **improving the quality of education** in local schools by providing safe, secure, upgraded classrooms, labs and technology needed to support high quality instruction **in math, science, engineering, the arts, and technology**. To that end, the Board evaluated the District's urgent and critical facility needs, including **safety** issues, class size reduction, **basic repairs**, computer and information technology in developing the types of projects to be funded by this measure as described below. The District conducted a facilities evaluation and received public input in developing this Project List. Teachers, staff, community members and the Board have prioritized the key health and safety needs so that the most critical facility needs are addressed.

In approving this Project List, the Board of Trustees determines that the District **must**:

- (i) **Support quality academics in science, math, engineering, arts, and other skilled trades; and**
- (ii) **Repair deteriorating roofs, plumbing, and electrical systems; and**
- (iii) **Update heating and cooling systems and remove asbestos and lead pipes, where found; and**
- (iv) **Update classrooms and science labs; and**
- (v) **Improve school safety and security systems; and**
- (vi) **Require a transparent system of accountability, including public disclosure of how all funds are spent.**

The Project List includes the following types of upgrades and improvements at District schools, facilities and sites:

IMPROVE STUDENT PREPARATION FOR COLLEGE AND IN-DEMAND CAREERS

School Repair and Upgrade Projects Funded By Money That Cannot Be Taken By the State Or Used for Other Purposes

Goals and Purposes: All of our schools were built over 50 years ago and they need to be repaired and upgraded. It's time to make essential repairs and improvements, including deteriorating roofs, plumbing, and electrical systems, so our schools can serve the community well for decades to come.

Our students deserve to have the same educational opportunities as others in the region. We need to upgrade our schools, facilities and classroom technology to keep pace.

- **Repair or replace deteriorating roofs, plumbing, heating, ventilation, air conditioning and electrical systems.**
- Upgrade older schools so they meet current health codes, building codes and provide proper access for students with disabilities.
- **Improve student safety and campus security systems**, including security fencing, security cameras, emergency communications systems, smoke detectors, fire alarms and sprinklers.
- **Remove hazardous materials like asbestos and lead paint from older school sites.**

**STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT: LOCAL SCHOOL FUNDING TO SUPPORT HIGH QUALITY INSTRUCTION IN
MATH, SCIENCE, ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY**

Projects That Improve Student Success

Goals and Purposes:

This measure will ensure that students who plan to go to college are prepared to succeed, and those who don't plan to go to college receive the career training they need to compete for good paying jobs.

The science labs at our high school have not been updated in 25 years. We need to modernize our classrooms and science labs to meet today's academic standards.

- **Upgrade and modernize science labs, engineering labs and career training facilities, so students are prepared for college and in-demand careers in fields like health sciences, engineering, technology, and skilled trades.**
- **Provide the classrooms, facilities and technology need to support high quality instruction in math, science, engineering, the arts, and technology.**
- Keep computer systems and instructional technology up-to-date.
- Provide the classrooms and facilities needed to support high quality instruction in music, visual and performing arts.
- Create modern, multi-use classrooms to support hands-on science instruction and learning by doing.

In addition to the projects listed above, the repair and renovation of each of the existing school facilities may include, but not be limited to, some or all of the following: add or renovate student and staff restrooms; repair and replace electrical, plumbing, heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems; upgrade of facilities for energy efficiencies; repair and replace worn-out and deteriorated roofs, windows, walls, floors, doors and drinking fountains; construct or renovate facilities for more efficient administration and multi-purpose learning spaces; install wiring and electrical systems to safely accommodate computers, technology and other electrical devices; upgrade or construct support facilities including administrative, physical education, music, art, performing and fine arts classrooms or facilities, science, computer labs/classrooms, libraries, buildings, and maintenance facilities and yards; repair and replace fire alarms, emergency communications and security systems; improve facilities to satisfy ADA requirements; resurface or replace asphalt, broken concrete and improve hard courts, turf and irrigation/drainage systems and campus landscaping; install signage, and fencing; expand parking and drop-off areas; improve all site utilities; acquire land; construct new school buildings; upgrade or replace interior and exterior painting, floor covering (including carpets), and school facades; demolition; upgrade kitchens, food service, and school cafeterias; construct various forms of storage and support spaces and classrooms; improve outdoor learning environments; repair, upgrade and install interior and exterior lighting systems; improve playgrounds, play structures, athletic fields (leveling, aerating, seeding, sprinklers) and facilities to support student health, fitness and safety; acquire vehicles, trucks, vans and buses; replace outdated security fences and security systems (including access control systems), provide lunch shelters, indoor space for assemblies or for rainy day lunch; upgrade music labs, multi-purpose rooms, learning centers and media centers; add or upgrade parking lots. In addition to the listed projects stated above, the Project List also includes the acquisition of a variety of instructional, maintenance and operational equipment, including the reduction or retirement of outstanding lease obligations and interim funding incurred to advance fund projects from the Project List; payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility studies, assessment reviews, facility master plan preparation and updates, environmental studies (including environmental investigation, remediation and monitoring), design and construction documentation, and temporary housing of dislocated District activities caused by construction projects. The upgrading of technology infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, network rewiring, cabling, computers, portable interface devices, servers, switches, routers, modules, sound projection systems, laser printers, digital white boards, document projectors, upgrade voice-over-IP, clock/telephone/ intercom systems, call manager and network security/firewall, wireless technology systems, refresh classroom technology, miscellaneous IT and instructional equipment, data storage, phones, identity cards and the construction and installation of a data center in the cloud for the District's enterprise systems, such as resource planning, websites, domain name systems, cloud applications and information security. The budget for each project is an estimate and may be affected by factors beyond the District's control. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans and construction documents are finalized, construction bids are received, construction contracts are awarded and projects are completed.

Based on the final costs of each project, or on the then priorities of the District, certain of the projects described above may be delayed or may not be undertaken or completed. Demolition of portable classrooms and existing facilities and reconstruction of facilities scheduled for repair and upgrade may occur, if the Board determines that such an approach would be more cost-effective in creating more enhanced and operationally efficient campuses. Necessary site preparation/restoration may occur in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing, or installing irrigation or drainage systems, utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of way to the property. The listed projects will be completed as needed. Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, program/project management, staff training expenses and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. Proceeds of the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of District staff when performing work on or necessary and incidental to bond projects. Bond proceeds shall only be expended for the types of projects and purposes identified herein. The District shall create an account into which proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited and comply with the reporting requirements of Government Code § 53410.

FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY: THIS MEASURE REQUIRES A CLEAR SYSTEM OF ACCOUNTABILITY, INCLUDING A PROJECT LIST DETAILING HOW THE MONEY WILL BE USED, A CITIZEN'S OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, AND INDEPENDENT AUDITS TO ENSURE MONEY IS SPENT PROPERLY.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH EDUCATION CODE SECTION 15272, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WILL APPOINT A CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE AND CONDUCT ANNUAL INDEPENDENT AUDITS TO ASSURE THAT FUNDS ARE SPENT ONLY ON DISTRICT PROJECTS AND FOR NO OTHER PURPOSE. THE EXPENDITURE OF BOND MONEY ON THESE PROJECTS IS SUBJECT TO STRINGENT FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS. BY LAW, PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL AUDITS WILL BE PERFORMED ANNUALLY, AND ALL BOND EXPENDITURES WILL BE MONITORED BY AN INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO ENSURE THAT FUNDS ARE SPENT AS PROMISED AND SPECIFIED. THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MUST INCLUDE, AMONG OTHERS, REPRESENTATION OF A BONA FIDE TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION, A BUSINESS ORGANIZATION AND A SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION. NO DISTRICT EMPLOYEES OR VENDORS ARE ALLOWED TO SERVE ON THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

NO ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES: PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF THE BONDS AUTHORIZED BY THIS PROPOSITION SHALL BE USED ONLY FOR THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, REHABILITATION, OR REPLACEMENT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES, INCLUDING THE FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOL FACILITIES, AND NOT FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE, INCLUDING TEACHER AND SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES.

**BOND MEASURE G
ALTA LOMA SCHOOL DISTRICT**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF BOND MEASURE G

This Impartial Analysis of Bond Measure G has been prepared by County Counsel pursuant to Section 9500 of the California Elections Code.

This Measure was placed on the ballot by a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Alta Loma School District (District). A "yes" vote by at least fifty-five percent of the voters voting on this Measure will authorize the District to issue bonds to benefit the District in the amount of \$71,000,000. A "no" vote means that the District will not be authorized to issue and sell the \$71,000,000 in bonds set forth in the Measure.

The District's Resolution No. 07-31-2024 was adopted pursuant to California Education Code sections 5304, 5322, 15100 et seq., and 15266, and section 18 of Article XVI and section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution. The bond proceeds may only be used for specific school facilities projects listed under the "Bond Project List." The "Bond Project List" in the full text of the Measure contains the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this ballot Measure and such proceeds may only be used for those specific projects. These projects include rehabilitating, upgrading and modernizing aging classrooms, building interiors, restrooms and other student spaces; upgrading or replacing school roofs, electrical, plumbing, sewer, heating, lighting and ventilation systems; improvement of student safety and campus security by installing fencing, cameras and lighting systems; upgrading school parking lots and pick up/drop off areas; educational and technology upgrades; and other improvements.

The District will conduct financial and performance audits annually to ensure that the bond proceeds are spent only on the school facility projects listed in the Measure and will appoint an independent citizens' oversight committee, as required by Education Code section 15278 et seq., which may review audits, inspect school facilities, review deferred maintenance proposals, and review efforts to maximize bond revenues in order to ensure bond revenues are used for proper purposes and that no funds are used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other school operating expenses.

The estimated tax rate to repay these bonds is 3 cents per \$100 assessed value, with the District estimating that the tax will raise a total of \$5,000,000 in additional revenue per year. Information on the projected tax rate is available in the "Tax Rate Statement" attached to the Measure and is based on projections and estimates from official sources and are not binding upon the District. The bonded debt will be a general obligation of the District and will be financed by taxes levied annually on taxable property located within the District.

TOM BUNTON
County Counsel
s/ JOLENA E. GRIDER
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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF BOND MEASURE G

This Argument in Favor of Bond Measure G was submitted pursuant to Section 9501 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

VOTE YES on Measure G to improve the quality of education that neighborhood children receive attending Alta Loma public elementary and junior high schools – WITHOUT raising your tax rate!

Our community has generously supported **Alta Loma School District (ALSD)** schools in the past. Thanks to your continued generosity, we have made significant strides in enhancing our classrooms and facilities. As we strive to provide the best learning environment, our 10 schools, serving nearly 5,500 students daily, require ongoing school facility improvements that far exceed ALSA's available maintenance budget.

If we want our kids to succeed in high school, college, and careers, they must be skilled in today's technologies. **Measure G** provides a responsible plan to continue repairing/updating ALSA schools. NO other funding currently exists to properly upgrade these facilities.

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Measure G will:

- **REMOVE** remaining hazardous materials like asbestos/lead pipes from older school sites
- **ENHANCE** student safety/campus security systems including fencing, cameras, emergency communications, smoke detectors, fire alarms, and sprinklers
- **PROVIDE** classrooms, facilities, and technology needed to support instruction in math, science, and engineering
- **REPAIR** remaining older classrooms/school facilities, including deteriorating roofs, plumbing, sewer, heating, ventilation, and electrical systems
- **RENOVATE** one older school to meet current health/building safety codes; ensuring proper access for students with disabilities
- **UPGRADE** classrooms/computer systems to keep pace with instructional technology

Measure G WON'T raise your tax rate. It simply extends WITHOUT increasing the soon-to-expire bond authorization previously approved by voters, continuing locally controlled funding for needed facilities upgrades at our schools.

Taxpayer safeguards are REQUIRED: Measure G requires a transparent system of accountability, including a project list detailing exactly how money will be used, a Citizens' Oversight Committee, and mandatory audits ensure funds are spent properly.

VOTE YES on G for safe, quality ALSD elementary and junior high schools. Our children are worth it!

s/ L. Dennis Michael, Mayor of Rancho Cucamonga
s/ Ernie Braunwalder, Braunwalder Insurance & Financial Services
s/ Don Burke, Retired Teacher
s/ Mike Kettle, Retired Athletic Director and Coach
s/ Stephanie DeVisser, Retired Alta Loma Principal

TAX RATE STATEMENT FOR BOND MEASURE G

An election will be held within the boundaries of Alta Loma School District ("District") on November 5, 2024 to authorize the sale of up to \$71 million in bonds to finance facilities as described in the measure. If the bonds are approved, the District expects to sell the bonds in multiple series. Principal and interest on the bonds will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property located within the District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400 to 9404, inclusive, of the California Elections Code.

1. The best estimate from official sources of the average annual tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on assessed valuations available at the time of the election and a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction and other demonstrable factors, is estimated to be \$30 per \$100,000 (3 cents per \$100) of assessed valuation. The final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected is 2054-55.

2. The best estimate from official sources of the highest tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, and an estimate of the year in which that rate will apply, based on assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, and a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction and other demonstrable factors, is estimated to be \$30 per \$100,000 (3 cents per \$100) of assessed valuation first occurring in fiscal year 2026-27.

3. The best estimate from official sources of the total debt service, including the principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is \$141,397,822.

Voters should note that the estimated tax rate is based on the ASSESSED VALUE of taxable property on the San Bernardino County official tax rolls, not on the property's market value. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon the District's projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the District. The actual tax rates, debt service and the years in which they will apply may vary from those presently estimated, due to variations from these estimates in the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on need for construction funds and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

s/ Sherry Smith, Ed.D, Superintendent

FULL TEXT FOR BOND MEASURE G

REPAIR, UPGRADE & FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT BOND OF 2024

By approval of this proposition by at least fifty-five percent (55%) of the registered voters voting thereon, the Alta Loma School District shall be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$71 million in aggregate principal amount to provide financing for the specific school facilities projects listed below in the Bond Project List, subject to all of the accountability safeguards specified herein.

SECTION I: KEY FINDINGS

The Alta Loma School District is committed to continuing a strong, high-quality educational program for the students in all of its local public schools.

The Alta Loma School District, in partnership with parents and community, strives to provide a safe and supportive environment where students develop a solid foundation to become productive, responsible citizens, and lifelong learners. To meet these goals, the District must provide students with safe, secure and clean facilities, and provide access to 21st century classrooms, technology and school facilities.

Specifically, the Board of Trustees desires, among other projects, to:

- Rehabilitate, upgrade and modernize aging classrooms and building interiors to support 21st-century learning, including the creation of spaces for pre-kindergarten and transitional kindergarten programs with necessary student restroom facilities.
- Improve access and educational facilities for students with disabilities and special medical needs, while also installing security systems and upgrading school drop-off areas and parking lots to ensure student safety and efficient traffic circulation.
- Upgrade classroom, facility and instructional technology systems to help our students stay relevant and competitive within a global society, and to prepare them for high school, college and career-readiness.
- Address the critical need to fix or replace deteriorating roofs, plumbing, electrical, lights, and air conditional systems, which is essential to prevent problems from arising and to ensure a safe and functional learning environment.
- Refurbish playfields and update playground equipment and surfacing to provide safe and engaging recreational areas for students.

SECTION II: ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES

The provisions in this section are included in this proposition in order that the voters and taxpayers of the District may be assured that their money will be spent to address specific facilities needs of the District, all in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, section 1(b)(3) of the State Constitution, and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at Section 15264 *et seq.* of the California Education Code).

Evaluation of Needs. The Board of Trustees has evaluated the facilities needs of the District and has identified projects to finance from a local bond measure at this time. The Board of Trustees has certified that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List.

Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee. The Board of Trustees shall appoint an independent Citizens' Oversight Committee in accordance with Education Code sections 15278-15282 and applicable Board policy, to ensure bond proceeds are expended only for the school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. The committee shall be established within sixty (60) days of the date when the Board of Trustees enters the results of the election in its official minutes.

Annual Performance Audit. The Board of Trustees shall conduct or cause to be conducted an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the school facilities projects described in the Bond Project List.

Annual Financial Audit. The Board of Trustees shall conduct or cause to be conducted an annual, independent financial audit of the bond proceeds until all of those proceeds have been spent.

Annual Report to Board. Upon approval of this measure and the sale of any bonds approved, the Board of Trustees shall take actions necessary to establish an account in which proceeds of the sale of bonds will be deposited. As long as any proceeds of the bonds remain unexpended, the Superintendent shall cause a report to be filed with the Board of Trustees no later than January 1 of each year, commencing on the first January 1 after bonds have been issued and proceeds spent, stating (1) the amount of bond proceeds received and expended in the past fiscal year, and (2) the status of any project funded or to be funded from bond proceeds. The report may be incorporated into the annual budget, annual financial report, or other appropriate routine report to the Board.

SECTION III: BOND PROJECT LIST

This Bond Project List, which is an integral part of this measure, describes the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds of the bonds. All information contained within this "Section III: Bond Project List" comprises the list and description of permissible projects and expenses that may be paid from bond proceeds.

In order to meet all identified facility needs, the District intends to complete projects using a combination of funding sources, including joint use funds or contributions, development impact fees, and state funding (if available). The District will pursue state matching funds if and when they become available, and if received, they will be used for projects on the Bond Project List or other high priority capital outlay expenditures as permitted by law. Approval of this measure does not guarantee that all projects on this Bond Project List at all listed sites will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by this measure. The District's proposal for the projects assumes the receipt of some state matching funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure. Bond funds may be used to meet any matching share contribution requirements.

Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be used only for constitutionally authorized projects listed on the Bond Project List. All projects to be financed with bonds authorized by this measure listed on the Bond Project List have been determined by the District to be "school facilities" as that term is used in the California Constitution. "School facilities" include projects at school sites as well as administrative and teacher/staff support facilities which are necessary for, and related to, the delivery of high-quality education services. Projects listed below may be completed at any and all properties, school sites and facilities where such project is determined necessary, and projects are authorized to be performed at each and all of the District's schools, sites and facilities, including administrative and ancillary support facilities, whether owned, leased or yet to be acquired, including, without limitation, the following:

Elementary Schools	Junior High Schools
Alta Loma Elementary	Alta Loma Junior High
Banyan Elementary	Vineyard Junior High
Carnelian Elementary	
Deer Canyon Elementary	Other Sites
Floyd M. Stork Elementary	District Support Center
Hermosa Elementary	
Jasper Elementary	
Victoria Groves Elementary	

Specific projects to be funded by the bond measure include, without limitation, the following:

- I. **SCHOOL UPGRADES AND REPAIRS TO KEEP EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES SAFE, CLEAN AND IN GOOD CONDITION**
 - Upgrade or replace aging deteriorated school roofs;
 - Replace old, inefficient electrical, plumbing, sewer, heating, lighting and ventilation (HVAC) systems with modern, more efficient systems that save energy;
 - Upgrade older classrooms, labs, restrooms and other student spaces at school sites to meet current building health and safety codes;
 - Improve access to and within educational facilities for students with disabilities and special medical needs;
 - Renovate portable classrooms and childcare building interior surfaces (including walls, ceilings, floors, and floor coverings); Repaint building interiors and exteriors;

- Improve student safety and campus security by installing security fencing, cameras and lighting systems, upgrading front office entryways, security access doors and other building security systems, and modernizing basic safety systems, including, without limitation, smoke detectors, fire alarms, sprinklers and emergency communications systems;
- Improve student/staff/driver safety and traffic circulation around schools by upgrading school parking lots and/or reconfiguring or adding school pick-up/drop-off areas and parking lots;
- Update and improve school office spaces to meet teacher training and student support needs; add or update instructional support meeting areas and training rooms;
- Repair, reconfigure and/or upgrade student support spaces at school sites for improved use including restrooms, kitchens, library/learning centers, multi-purpose/multi-use spaces and other school facility spaces that can be upgraded for flexible teaching/learning/training uses;
- Upgrade school site walkways, grounds, physical education/play surfaces, playground equipment, and fencing to improve accessibility, safety, drainage, and security.

II. EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY AND FACILITY UPGRADES FOR 21ST CENTURY LEARNING

- Renovate, reconstruct and update aging classrooms; equip classrooms to support innovative instruction programs such as STEAM, athletics, and arts education;
- Construct and equip multipurpose rooms, libraries and fitness rooms where needed;
- Renovate school and office interiors, and create distinct pre-kindergarten and transitional kindergarten spaces and classrooms;
- Equip classrooms with new 21st century flexible furniture;
- Install systems for improved data connectivity in the classroom;
- Improve stage areas, lighting, and sound systems to support increased participation and access to arts education.

Listed projects, repairs, improvements, rehabilitation projects and upgrades will be completed only as needed, and the listing of projects does not imply a particular prioritization among such improvements. Projects may be done in phases, based on Board of Trustees priorities and available funding. Listed projects may be completed at any and all District schools, sites, properties (owned, leased or yet to be acquired) and education buildings where such project is determined necessary.

Decisions regarding the scope, function, timing, location, prioritization or other facets of project implementation for school facility projects listed on the Bond Project List will be made solely by the Board of Trustees by subsequent action, including the interpretation, meaning and intent of each listed project. Where terms such as "renovate," "upgrade," "replace," "improve" and "repair" are used in the Bond Project List, the Board of Trustees has the discretion to determine the best method for accomplishing the project's objective, including the use of new construction. For any listed project involving renovation or modernization of a building or the major portion of a building, the District may proceed with new replacement construction instead (including any necessary demolition), if the District determines that replacement and new construction is more practical than renovation, considering the building's age, condition, expected remaining life, comparative cost and other relevant factors. In addition, where feasible, projects may be completed in partnership with other public or private agencies on a joint use basis using bond proceeds, subject to federal tax rules and regulations.

Each project is assumed to include its share of costs of bond issuance, architectural, engineering, legal and similar planning costs; litigation costs; construction management; bond project consultants and District employee staff that administer the bond construction program; staff development and training expenses associated with learning construction techniques and approaches and new bond-funded equipment and systems; the furnishing and equipping of all projects, including, without limitation, equipment to maintain facilities in a safe and clean condition and instructional equipment to improve student learning experience; and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. Payment of the costs of preparation of facilities planning and project implementation studies, feasibility and assessment reviews, master planning, environmental studies, permit and inspection fees, Division of State Architect (DSA) - related requirements, studies and assessments, including ADA and seismic, and temporary housing and relocation costs for dislocated programs or activities caused or necessitated by projects on the Bond Project List, as well as hazardous materials abatement or management of other unforeseen conditions discovered or necessitated by construction projects, are permissible bond expenditures.

The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized and projects are completed. Based on the final costs of each project, certain of the projects described above may be delayed or may not be completed. Necessary site preparation, grading or restoration may occur in connection with acquisition of property, new construction, modernization, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of modular classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads and acquiring any necessary easements, leases, licenses or rights of way to the property.

SECTION IV: ADDITIONAL SPECIFICATIONS

No Operating Expenses. Proceeds from the sale of Bonds authorized by this proposition shall be used only for constitutionally authorized projects listed on the Bond Project List and not for any other purpose, including teacher or administrator salaries and other school operating expenses in accordance with applicable law.

Single Purpose. All of the purposes enumerated in this proposition shall be united and voted upon as one single proposition, pursuant to Section 15100 of the California Education Code, and all the enumerated purposes shall constitute the specific single purpose of the bonds and proceeds of the bonds shall be spent only for such purpose.

Other Terms of the Bonds. The bonds may be issued and sold in several series, and in accordance with a financing plan determined by the Board of Trustees pursuant to requirements of law. When sold, the bonds shall bear interest at an annual rate not exceeding the statutory maximum and with a maximum term not exceeding the statutory maximum, provided that the average useful life of bonds sold will not exceed one hundred twenty percent (120%) of the average life of the projects being financed or as otherwise provided by federal tax law. Bond funds may be used to reimburse the District for Bond Project list expenditures incurred prior to the election and bond issuance, in accordance with federal tax law.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the financial information contained in this measure is based upon the District's projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the District, nor are the summary or average payment estimates, if any, provided in the Ballot Label. The actual tax rates, debt service and the years in which they will apply may vary from those presently estimated, due to variations from these estimates in the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on need for construction funds and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

In preparing this information, the District obtained reasonable and informed projections of assessed property valuations that took into consideration projections of assessed property valuations made by the County Assessor, if any, in accordance with Education Code Section 15100(c).

STATEMENT REQUIRED UNDER EDUCATION CODE 15122.5

Approval of Bond Measure G does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Alta Loma School District that are the subject of bonds under Bond Measure G will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Bond Measure G. The school district's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.

**BOND MEASURE H
MOUNTAIN VIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 3**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF BOND MEASURE H

This Impartial Analysis of Bond Measure H has been prepared by County Counsel pursuant to Section 9500 of the California Elections Code.

This Measure was placed on the ballot by a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of Mountain View School District (District). A "yes" vote by at least fifty-five percent of the voters voting on this Measure will authorize the District to issue bonds to benefit the area of land included within School Facilities Improvement District No. 3 in the amount of \$56,000,000. A "no" vote means that the District will not be authorized to issue and sell the \$56,000,000 in bonds set forth in the Measure.

The District's Resolution No. 2024-2025-01 was adopted pursuant to California Education Code sections 5303, 5322, 15100 et seq., 15264, et seq., 15300, et seq., Government Code section 53506, and Article XIII A of the California Constitution. The bond proceeds may only be used for specific school facilities projects listed under the "Project List." The "Project List" in the full text of the Measure contains the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this ballot Measure and such proceeds may only be used for those specific projects. These projects include: improvement of student safety and campus security at all elementary schools; providing classrooms, facilities and technology needed to support high quality instruction in science, technology, engineering, arts and math; installation of security locks on all classrooms that can be locked from the inside; upgrading fire safety, security lighting, communications and camera systems; improvement of heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems; update of electrical systems; repairing aging schools; student health and safety projects; improvement of access control systems; and the renovation and improvement of parking, pick up and drop off areas; and other improvements.

The District will conduct financial and performance audits annually to ensure that the bond proceeds are spent only on the school facility projects listed in the Measure and will appoint an independent citizens' oversight committee, as required by Education Code section 15278 et seq., which may review audits, inspect school facilities, review deferred maintenance proposals, and review efforts to maximize bond revenues, in order to ensure bond revenues are used for proper purposes and that no funds are used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other school operating expenses.

The estimated tax rate to repay these bonds is \$26 per \$100,000 assessed value, with the District estimating that the tax will raise a total of \$3,500,000 in additional revenue per year. The projected tax rate is based on projections and estimates from official sources and are not binding upon the District.

The bonded debt will be a general obligation of the District and will be financed by taxes levied annually on taxable property located within the District.

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Deputy County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF BOND MEASURE H

This Argument in Favor of Bond Measure H was submitted pursuant to Section 9501 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

Vote Yes on H to update our neighborhood elementary and junior high schools and ensure all students have equal access to the tools they need to succeed!

Many of our schools were constructed over 50 years ago, have never been updated and do not meet modern building or safety codes. Some contain hazardous materials including asbestos and lead pipes, while others need to be updated to ensure proper access for individuals with disabilities.

Our schools have over 80 portable classrooms, averaging 36 years old, which have structural damage and water leaks, making ongoing repairs costly. We need to replace these temporary buildings with safe, modern classrooms.

Student safety and security is a top priority for schools around the nation. Voting Yes on H provides funding for increased safety and security measures that protect our students and staff in case of an emergency.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR – Continued on next page

Vote YES on H: Safe, Modern Schools

- Improve fire safety and security systems, including fencing, cameras, emergency communications systems, classroom emergency locks, smoke detectors
- Upgrade older schools to modern health and building codes, and ensure access for students with disabilities
- Fix deteriorating roofs and old plumbing, sewer, heating, ventilation, and electrical systems
- Upgrade classrooms and labs to support high quality instruction in math, science, engineering, and technology

Measure H Requires Transparent Fiscal Accountability:

- All money raised must stay in our local schools – no funds can be taken by the State
- An independent citizens' oversight committee, annual audits, and public spending disclosure ensure funds are spent as promised

Your YES vote on H provides updated classrooms, labs, and technology to meet rising academic standards and ensure our schools serve our community for decades to come.

Join community members, teachers, and parents – Vote Yes on H to maintain high-quality neighborhood schools and support our students!

- s/ Joylynn Turgeon, MVPTO President
- s/ Randy Garrett, AMVT President
- s/ Gretchen Hanss, PTSO President GYJH
- s/ Brenda Withey, Creekview PTO
- s/ Edith Yep, CSEA President Ch. 876

TAX RATE STATEMENT FOR BOND MEASURE H
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An election will be held for School Facilities Improvement District No. 3 ("SFID No. 3") of the Mountain View School District (the "District") on November 5, 2024, to authorize the sale of up to \$56,000,000 in bonds of SFID No. 3 to finance school facilities as describe in the proposition. If the bonds are approved, the District expects to issue the bonds in multiple series over time. Principal and interest on the bonds will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in SFID No. 3. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400 through 9404 of the California Elections Code.

1. The best estimate of the average annual tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, is \$26 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. The final fiscal year in which the tax to be levied to fund this bond issue is anticipated to be collected is fiscal year 2057-58.
2. The best estimate from official sources of the highest tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, and an estimate of the year in which the rate will apply, based on assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, and a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction and other demonstrable factors, is estimated to be \$26 per \$100,000 of assessed valuations first occurring in fiscal year 2025 -26..
3. The best estimate from official sources of the total debt service, including the principal and net interest, that would be required to be repaid if all of the bonds are issued and sold is approximately \$114,047,750.

Voters should note that these estimates are based on projections derived from information obtained from official sources, and are based on the ASSESSED VALUE of taxable property on the County of San Bernardino official tax rolls, not on the property's market value. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon the District's projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the District. The actual tax rates, debt service and the years in which they will apply may vary from those presently estimated, due to variations from these estimates in the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on need for construction funds and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

- s/ Douglass Moss, Ed.D., Superintendent
Mountain View School District

FULL TEXT FOR BOND MEASURE H

FULL TEXT BALLOT PROPOSITION OF THE MOUNTAIN VIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENT HEALTH, SAFETY AND CLASSROOM REPAIR BOND MEASURE ELECTION NOVEMBER 5, 2024

KEY FINDINGS

Mountain View School District (the "District") is devoted to improving the quality of education in our local public schools by upgrading technology to support instructions in core subjects like math, science, engineering, and technology. Many of the District schools were built more than 50 years ago, and additional recourses are necessary to make basic improvements, including upgrading deteriorating roofs, plumbing, heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems, and electrical systems. There is also a need to improve student safety and campus security by installing fencing, security cameras, emergency communications systems, and access control systems. All residents benefit from living in a community with good schools and whether or not residents have school-age children, protecting the quality of our schools, the quality of life in our community, and the value of our homes, is a wise investment. Unfortunately, the State of California (the "State") does not provide the District adequate funding to maintain its educational facilities and academic programs. The District's only remedy to avoid undermining its educational programs is to secure local funding that the State cannot take away. With this in mind, the Board of Trustees ("Board") has determined a locally controlled funding measure would enable the District to update schools to modern education and safety standards so they can continue to serve our current and future students.

The following is the full proposition presented to the voters by the Mountain View School District.

"To repair and improve aging neighborhood schools, improve fire safety/school security systems, fix deteriorating roofs, plumbing, electrical and repair, construct and acquire classrooms, labs, sites, facilities and equipment to support student achievement in math, science, technology, arts, and engineering, shall Mountain View School District's School Facilities Improvement District No. 3 measure authorizing \$56,000,000 in bonds at legal rates be adopted, levying \$26 per \$100,000 assessed value (averaging \$3,500,000 annually) while bonds are outstanding, with independent oversight, audits, and all money locally-controlled?"

PROJECT LIST

The Board of Trustees ("Board") of the Mountain View School District is committed to **improving the quality of education** in local schools by **repairing and modernizing aging schools**, providing safe, secure upgraded classrooms, labs, and technology needed to support high quality academic instruction, and ensuring the **safety and security** of all students. To that end, the Board received input from teachers, staff and the community and evaluated the District's **urgent and critical facility needs**, including the need for up-to-date technology, safety issues, class size reduction, computer and information technology in developing the types of projects to be funded by this measure, as such are described below.

In approving this Project List, the Board of Trustees determines that the District **must**:

- (i) **Improve student safety and campus security at all elementary schools including security fencing, security cameras, emergency communication systems, and access control systems;**
- (ii) **Provide classrooms, facilities and technology needed to support high quality instruction in science, technology, engineering, arts and math;**
- (iii) **Install security locks on all classrooms that can be locked from the inside to prevent access during an emergency;**
- (iv) **Upgrade fire safety, classroom locks, security lighting, communications, and camera systems;**
- (iv) **Improve heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems and update electrical systems;**
- (v) **ENSURE THAT EVERY PENNY OF ANY MEASURE WILL BENEFIT ONLY LOCAL SCHOOLS AND BE CONTROLLED LOCALLY AND NOT BE TAKEN AWAY BY THE STATE.**

The Project List includes the following types of upgrades and improvements throughout District schools and facilities:

**REPAIR AGING SCHOOLS:
Basic Renovation, Repair and Upgrade Projects**

Goals and Purposes: While some District schools have modern classrooms, labs, and facilities, most do not. This measure will help ensure ALL students have equal access to the classrooms, labs and facilities they need to succeed.

The District has about 80 portable classrooms that are on average 36 years old that are expensive to repair and maintain, with structural damage, water leaks, and other problems. This measure will fund replacements with safe modern classrooms.

If we want kids to succeed in high school, college and careers, they must be skilled in today's technology. This measure will upgrade classrooms and educational facilities to provide up-to-date classrooms for core academics, including math, science, engineering, and technology reading, writing and social sciences.

- Upgrade older schools so they meet current health codes, building safety codes, and provide proper access for students with disabilities.
- Repair or replace deteriorating roofs and upgrade building exteriors, as well as plumbing, gas lines, sewer systems, and electrical systems where needed.
- Repair, renovate or replace classrooms, labs and educational facilities to support high quality instruction in math, science, engineering and technology.
- Repair or replace aging portable classrooms.
- Provide the classrooms and facilities needed to support high quality instruction in music, visual, and performing arts.
- Upgrade and modernize computer systems and instructional technology systems.
- Provide classroom and school facility heating, air conditioning and ventilation systems, and upgrade electrical systems and plumbing.

STUDENT HEALTH AND SAFETY PROJECTS

Goals and Purposes: Student safety and security have become a top priority for schools throughout the nation, and our local schools have outdated security features that need to be improved. This measure will provide funding for increased safety and security measures, including security fencing, cameras, and lighting, and upgrades to other essential security systems to provide safe learning environments.

Improving playgrounds and athletic facilities is good for the community; kids who participate in these activities stay healthy, learn discipline, and stay on the right track. Even if you do not have school-age children, updating local schools is a wise investment. Good schools improve the quality of life in our community and protect the value of our homes.

Schools will benefit from a variety of safety and achievement projects, such as:

- **Improve fire safety and school security systems at all District schools**, including security fencing, security cameras, emergency communications systems, emergency locks for classrooms, keyless access card entry, access control systems, and smoke detectors, fire alarms and sprinklers.
- Upgrade older schools so they meet current health codes, building safety codes, and provide proper access for students with disabilities.
- Improve access control and secured office entry systems and features.
- Renovate and improve parking, pickup and drop off areas, walkways and security fencing.
- Repair, replace, and improve recreational/sports facilities, playground equipment, athletic fields (including irrigation systems), and blacktop.
- Upgrade outdated fire alarm systems to meet current fire safety codes.
- Improve student, teacher and staff safety.
- Upgrade telecommunications and emergency communication systems.
- Upgrade classroom safety door locks.

- Upgrade communications, security alarm and security camera systems.
- Upgrade security lighting.

In addition to the listed projects stated above, the Project List also includes the following types of projects and expenditures: The upgrading of technology infrastructures includes, but is not limited to, fiber modifications, servers, switches, routers, modules, computers, cameras, sound projection systems, wiring classrooms for internet connectivity, wireless networks, wireless access points and controllers, portable interface devices, mobile device management systems, printers, upgraded voice-over-IP, phone and public address systems, call manager and network security/firewall, and other miscellaneous equipment. The repairing and improvement of District facilities includes, but is not limited to the authority to install, acquire or repair energy efficiency improvements for school buildings, energy efficient lighting, air conditioning, heating, insulation and ceiling systems, and windows; construct, upgrade, repair, install or provide school site parking, campus accessibility, lighting, safety locks, HVAC systems, utilities, plumbing, gas lines, playground equipment, hard court surfaces, tracks and fields, general site paving, learning walls, tack boards, cabinets, tutoring rooms, restrooms, interior courtyards, roofs, interior and exterior lighting, water heaters, boilers, fences, walkway covers and casework, bell/clock systems, signage, wayfinding, electronic marquees, asphalt, fire sensors and alarms, public address systems, telephones, shade structures, outdated heating and security systems, classrooms, flex rooms, science labs, classrooms, multipurpose rooms, food service and dining areas, gyms, music and drama/performing arts classrooms, outdoor learning quads, playgrounds, play fields and pools; renovate, upgrade, reconfigure, relocate or convert classrooms, science labs; replace portable structures; upgrade and reconfigure sidewalks, parking lots and drop off/pickup zones to improve student safety; make facility improvements for earthquake safety; upgrade electrical wiring and systems; renovate and paint interior and exterior building surfaces to extend their useful life; improve security, install safety, security and communication systems and equipment, windows and floor coverings (including tiles and carpeting); build or upgrade irrigation systems; upgrade computer labs, collaborative rooms, school offices/administration/staff support spaces, including furnishings; make improvements and acquire furnishings and/or other electronic equipment and systems.

The budget for each project is an estimate and may be affected by factors beyond the District's control. Some projects throughout the District may be undertaken as joint use projects in cooperation with other local public or non-profit agencies. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized, construction bids are awarded and projects are completed. Based on the final costs of each project, certain of the projects described above may be delayed or may not be completed. Demolition of existing facilities and reconstruction of facilities scheduled for repair and upgrade may occur, if the Board determines that such an approach would be more cost-effective in creating enhanced and operationally efficient campuses. Necessary site preparation/restoration and landscaping, may occur in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, redirecting fire access, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of way to the property. The listed projects will be completed as needed. Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, program management, staff training expenses and a customary contingency, and escalation for unforeseen design and construction costs. Qualified costs also include the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility assessment reviews and master plans, environmental studies, construction documentation, inspection and permit fees, the temporary housing of dislocated District activities caused by bond projects.

Bond proceeds shall be expended only for the types of projects and purposes identified herein. Proceeds of the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of the District staff when performing work on or necessary and incidental to the bond projects. The District shall create an account into which proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited and comply with the reporting requirements of Government Code Section 53410.

Fiscal Accountability: In accordance with Education Code Section 15272, the Board of Trustees will appoint a citizens' oversight committee and conduct annual independent audits to assure that funds are spent only on district projects and for no other purpose. The expenditure of bond money on these projects is subject to stringent financial accountability requirements. By law, performance and financial audits will be performed annually, and all bond expenditures will be monitored by an independent citizens' oversight committee to ensure that funds are spent as promised and specified. The citizens' oversight committee must include, among others, representation of a bona fide taxpayers association, a business organization and a senior citizens organization. No district employees or vendors are allowed to serve on the citizens' oversight committee.

No Administrator Salaries: Proceeds from the sale of the bonds authorized by this proposition shall be used only for the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and school administrator salaries and other operating expenses. Bond funds shall not be temporarily transferred to the District's general fund for administrative purposes.

**BOND MEASURE I
FONTANA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF BOND MEASURE I

This Impartial Analysis of Bond Measure I has been prepared by County Counsel pursuant to Section 9500 of the California Elections Code.

This Measure was placed on the ballot by a resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the Fontana Unified School District (District). A "yes" vote by at least fifty-five percent of the voters voting on this Measure will authorize the District to issue bonds to benefit the District in the amount of \$408,000,000. A "no" vote means that the District will not be authorized to issue and sell the \$408,000,000 in bonds set forth in the Measure.

The District's Resolution No. 24-11 was adopted pursuant to California Education Code sections 5322, 15264, et seq., paragraph (b) of subdivision (3) of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and Section 18(b) of Article XVI of the California Constitution. The bond proceeds may only be used for specific school facilities projects listed under "Appendix A." The Bond Project List in the full text of the Measure contains the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this ballot Measure and such proceeds may only be used for those specific projects. These projects include expanding, renovating and revitalizing existing classrooms, constructing new classrooms, labs and school facilities for: STEAM instruction; vocational and career training programs including robotics, coding, medical assistant, emergency responder and construction trade programs; science labs and facilities. These projects also include: upgrading campus safety and security systems; repairing, replacing or modernizing deteriorating infrastructure such as roofs, pipes, plumbing, sewer and gas lines, waterlines, storm drains, etc.; repairing, modernizing, or replacing outdated portable classrooms; constructing new elementary and middle schools; renovating, repairing, replacing or maintaining athletic playing fields, turfs, tracks, gyms, pools, stadiums and other physical education facilities, and locker rooms; renovating outdoor areas, classrooms, restrooms, and drinking fountains; district-wide technology projects; health and safety improvements; providing adequate furniture and equipment for all classrooms; designing, acquiring and constructing rental housing units for teachers and staff; upgrading food services, cafeteria, eating and serving areas; and ADA accessibility upgrades district-wide.

The District will conduct financial and performance audits annually to ensure that the bond proceeds are spent only on the school facility projects listed in the Measure and will appoint an independent citizens' oversight committee, as required by Education Code section 15278 et seq., which may review audits, inspect school facilities, review deferred maintenance proposals, and review efforts to maximize bond revenues, in order to ensure bond revenues are used for proper purposes and that no funds are used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other school operating expenses.

Information regarding the estimated tax rate to repay these bonds is found in the "Tax Rate Statement" prepared by the District, attached as Appendix C to the full text of the Measure. The projected tax rate is based on projections and estimates from official sources and are not binding upon the District.

The bonded debt will be a general obligation of the District and will be financed by taxes levied annually on taxable property located within the District.

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County Counsel
s/ JOLENA E. GRIDER
Deputy County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF BOND MEASURE I

This Argument in Favor of Bond Measure I was submitted pursuant to Section 9501 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

The overwhelming majority of Fontana's citizens, taxpayers and voters agree that our local public schools are vital to our community's prosperity. Our schools are responsible for shaping the success of our community's next generation, all while enhancing the value of our homes and businesses. Our schools are our most valuable assets and must remain our top priority.

We must unite and **Vote YES on Measure I** to improve Fontana schools. Measure I will not only improve and modernize classrooms in our local schools, but it will also provide essential resources to better prepare our children for future careers and college.

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Measure I projects include:

- **High School College Preparedness & Career Training Programs and Facilities:** Expanding programs to include robotics, coding, medical assistant training, emergency responder training and construction.
- **Modernizing STEAM Labs:** Enhancing Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics facilities for cutting-edge education.
- **Ensuring Safe Accessibility:** Updating facilities in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
- **Critical Infrastructure Updates:** Replacing deteriorating and leaky roofs and updating wireless internet systems.

Measure I also guarantees numerous taxpayer protections, including:

- **Guaranteed Local Control of All Spending:** By law, Measure I funds **cannot** be taken by the state and must be spent on our local schools.
- **Transparency and Accountability:** Full public disclosure of ALL spending, Independent citizen oversight and annual audits ensure responsible use of funds.
- **State Matching Funds Eligibility:** Measure I qualifies Fontana USD for additional state matching funds, maximizing your investment.

Measure I protects our community's most valuable assets while providing our children with the resources to thrive. Please join parents, grandparents, guardians, teachers, neighbors, business owners and community leaders in voting **YES on Measure I!**

- s/ Marcelino "Mars" Serna, Board President
- s/ Laura Mancha, S.B County Board of Education
- s/ Jason Zara, Citizens Bond Oversight Committee, Chair
- s/ Terrie Schneider, CEO Non Profit Org./Grandparent
- s/ Elaine Jones, Parent Volunteer

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF BOND MEASURE I

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VOTE "NO!" ON MEASURE !!

If Fontana Unified School District's Bond Measure I passes, **the cost to you** (taxpayers/parents/voters) will aggregately be **\$750 million** in principal and interest over 29 years!! You will pay \$150-\$600 additional on your property tax bill each year, totaling \$4,350-\$17,400, based on your property's assessed value!

Not paying this additional property tax each year could result in a tax lien being placed on your property. Your property could eventually be a "forced sale" to pay the tax lien--you could lose your home or property!

Parents/residents/taxpayers of the Fontana Unified School District have experienced an **average yearly cost of living increase of \$10,000** over the last 3 years partly from imposed tax increases by government agencies!

Fontana Unified School District wants to dodge its financial responsibility and load upon you the financial burden to pay for school facilities. This is outrageous!

- There are **no "guarantees"** with Measure I—except the "guarantee" to take your hard-earned money.
- There is **no transparency or accountability!** The "citizen oversight committee" is not independent but selected and chosen by the Fontana School Board.

Fontana Unified School District's annual budget is 36% higher than the total budget of the city of Fontana! The district needs to more effectively utilize its existing \$667,000,000 annual monies and keep its hands out of the residents/taxpayers' pockets!

Residents/parents/taxpayers and Not On Our Watch PAC (NOOW) all oppose the Fontana Unified School District Bond Measure I.

Vote **"NO!"** and **STOP THE STEAL!!**

- s/ Matthew Slowik, Committee Chairman - Not On Our Watch PAC
- s/ Greg Abdouch, President - Not On Our Watch PAC
- s/ Timothy Johnson, Treasurer - Not On Our Watch PAC

ARGUMENT AGAINST BOND MEASURE I

This Argument Against Bond Measure I was submitted pursuant to Section 9501 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

Not On Our Watch PAC (NOOW), a parental rights organization that has been advocating for the children in our community and standing up against Fontana Unified School District for over three years, opposes the district's school bond Measure I.

STOP THE STEAL of your hard-earned money!

The Fontana School Board has placed school bond Measure I on the November 5, 2024 General Election ballot to take even more of your money!

If the school bond Measure I passes:

Every parent, property owner, renter, and resident that lives within the boundaries of the Fontana Unified School District will be subject to the Fontana Unified School District bond.

Parents and all residents who own property within the Fontana Unified School District boundary will pay an ADDITIONAL \$150-600 on your property tax bill for the NEXT 29 YEARS—which is **\$4,350-\$17,400** out of your pocket and your children's who will potentially inherit the debt of this bond!

Parents and all residents who are renters of property within the Fontana Unified School District boundary will have your RENTS INCREASED for years as property-owning landlords pass this cost on to you.

Parents/residents/taxpayers of the Fontana Unified School District—you work hard every day to earn your money! By their effort to pass this bond Measure I, the Fontana Unified School District will take your hard-earned money and, more importantly, pass the cost of the bond issue onto your children as they become future property owners and renters. Do not give your hard-earned money away and place that debt on our children, families, and friends!

Vote "NO" on the Fontana Unified School District's bond Measure !!

STOP THE STEAL of your hard-earned money!

s/ Matthew Slowik, Committee Chairman - Not On Our Watch PAC

s/ Greg Abdouch, President - Not On Our Watch PAC

s/ Timothy Johnson, Treasurer - Not On Our Watch PAC

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST BOND MEASURE I

This Rebuttal to Argument Against Bond Measure I was submitted pursuant to Section 9504 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

We understand that the idea of increasing taxes is challenging, especially for working families. However, investing in our public schools is essential to providing a modern, high-quality education that benefits our children and our community.

Measure I projects will address both the current needs of our schools and the financial realities of our community. Our schools prepare our children for future success, enrich our community and protect the value of our homes and local businesses. Investing in our schools benefits us all.

Measure I projects include:

- Expanding high school facilities for college preparation and career training programs
- Modernizing science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics labs and facilities
- Updating facilities to ensure compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Replacing leaky roofs and updating wireless internet systems

At the same time, state law guarantees that Measure I funds **cannot be taken by the state and spent elsewhere**. Full public disclosure of all spending is required. Measure I is crucial to ensuring our district qualifies for additional state matching funds.

By voting YES on Measure I, you invest in our community's success and ensure our children have a safe, functional learning environment. Your support will make a real difference in our schools and our community. Let's invest in our future together by voting **YES on Measure I!**

s/ Marcelino "Mars" Serna, Board President
s/ Laura Mancha, S.B County Board of Education
s/ Jason Zara, Citizens Bond Oversight Committee, Chair
s/ Terrie Schneider, CEO Non Profit Org./Grandparent
s/ Elaine Jones, Parent Volunteer

TAX RATE STATEMENT FOR BOND MEASURE I

\$408,000,000
FONTANA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

An election will be held in the Fontana Unified School District (the "District") on November 5, 2024, to authorize the sale of up to \$408 million in bonds of the District to finance school facilities as described in the measure. If such bonds are authorized and sold, principal and interest on the bonds will be payable only from the proceeds of *ad valorem* tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400-9404 of the Elections Code of the State of California. Such information is based upon the best estimates and projections presently available from official sources, upon experience within the District, and other demonstrable factors.

Based upon the foregoing and projections of the District's assessed valuation, the following information is provided:

1. The best estimate of the average annual tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on a projection of assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$51.01 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. The final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected is 2053-54.
2. The best estimate of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, based on a projection of assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$54.79 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. It is estimated that such rate would be levied in fiscal year 2025-26 through 2049-50.
3. The best estimate of the total debt service, including the principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is approximately \$724.9 million.

Voters should note the estimated tax rate is based on the assessed value (not market value) of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls. In addition, taxpayers eligible for a property tax exemption, such as the homeowner's exemption, will be taxed at a lower effective tax rate than described above. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills and tax advisors to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

The attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon projections and estimates only, which amounts are not maximum amounts and are not binding upon the District. The actual debt service, tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary from those used to provide the estimates set forth above, due to factors such as variations in the timing of bond sales, the par amount of bonds sold and market interest rates available at the time of each sale, actual assessed valuations over the term of the bonds, and other factors. The date and amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on the need for project funds and other considerations. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on conditions in the bond market at the time of sale. Actual future assessed valuations will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

s/ Miki Rene Inbody
Superintendent
Fontana Unified School District

FULL TEXT FOR BOND MEASURE I

BOND AUTHORIZATION

By approval of this measure by at least 55 percent of the registered voters voting on the measure, the Fontana Unified School District will be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$408,000,000 in aggregate principal amount at interest rates not to exceed legal limits and to provide financing for the specific types of school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List described below, subject to all the accountability requirements specified below.

ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS

The provisions in this section are specifically included in this measure in order that the voters and taxpayers in the District may be assured that their money will be spent wisely. Expenditures to address specific facilities needs of the District will be in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3), of the State Constitution and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at Education Code Sections 15264 and following.)

Evaluation of Needs. The School Board has identified detailed facilities needs of the District and has determined which projects to finance from a local bond. The School Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction, enrollment growth, and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List shown below.

Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee. Following approval of this measure, the School Board will establish an Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee, under Education Code Sections 15278 and following, to ensure bond proceeds are expended only on the types of school facilities projects listed below. The Oversight Committee will be established within 60 days of the date when the results of the election appear in the minutes of the School Board. No employee or official of the District and no vendor, contractor or consultant of the District shall be appointed to the Oversight Committee. The School Board may determine that its existing Oversight Committee which oversees the expenditure of bond proceeds of prior bond measures of the District shall simultaneously serve as the Oversight Committee for this bond measure.

Performance Audits. The School Board will conduct annual, independent performance audits to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the school facilities projects listed below.

Financial Audits. The School Board will conduct annual, independent financial audits of the bond proceeds until all of those proceeds have been spent for the school facilities projects listed below.

Government Code Accountability Requirements. As required by Section 53410 of the Government Code, (1) the specific purpose of the bonds is set forth in this Full Text of the Measure, (2) the proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be used only for the purposes specified in this measure, and not for any other purpose, (3) the proceeds of the bonds, when and if issued, will be deposited into a building fund to be held by the San Bernardino County Treasurer, as required by the California Education Code, and (4) the Superintendent of the District shall cause an annual report to be filed with the Board of Education of the District not later than January 1 of each year, which report shall contain pertinent information regarding the amount of funds collected and expended, as well as the status of the projects listed in this measure, as required by Sections 53410 and 53411 of the Government Code.

NO TEACHER OR ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES

Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be used only for the purposes specified in Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3), those being for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, and the acquisition or lease of school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses.

STATE MATCHING FUNDS

The following statement is included in this measure pursuant to Education Code Section 15122.5: Approval of this measure does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects that are the subject of bonds under this measure will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by this measure. The District's proposal for the project or projects described below may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which, if available, could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.

INFORMATION ABOUT ESTIMATES AND PROJECTIONS INCLUDED IN BALLOT

Voters are informed that any estimates or projections in this bond measure and related ballot materials, including relating to estimated rates of *ad valorem* property taxes, the duration of issued bonds and related levies and collections of *ad valorem* property taxes are provided as informational only. Such amounts are estimates and are not maximum amounts

or limitations on the terms of the bonds, the tax rate or the duration of the levy supporting repayment of issued bonds. Such estimates depend on numerous variables which are subject to variation and change over the term of the District's overall facilities and bond financing plan, including but not limited to the amount of bonds issued and outstanding at any one time, the interest rates applicable to issued bonds, market conditions at the time of sale of the bonds, when bonds mature, timing of project needs and changes in assessed valuations in the District. As such, while such estimates and approximations are provided based on information currently available to the District and its current expectations, such estimates and approximations are not limitations and are not binding upon the District. In addition, the abbreviated and condensed statement of the bond measure presented to voters on the ballot label which is subject to a word count limitation imposed by State law does not limit the scope and complete meaning of the measure provided in this Full Text of Bond Measure and related ballot materials.

BOND PROJECT LIST

Scope of Projects. Bond proceeds will be expended on the construction, modernization, reconstruction, rehabilitation, replacement, or otherwise improve school facilities of the Fontana Unified School District, including furnishing and equipping, and the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries or other school operating expenses, in compliance with California Constitution Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3). This measure authorizes bond projects to be undertaken at all current and future District sites.

School Facility Project List. The items presented on the following list provide are the types of projects authorized to be financed with voter-approved bond proceeds. Examples included on this list are not intended to limit the broader types of projects described and authorized by this measure. The types of projects authorized are:

- Expand, renovate and revitalize existing or construct new classrooms, labs and school facilities for Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math ("STEAM") instruction
- Expand, renovate and revitalize existing or construct new classrooms, labs and school facilities for vocational and career training programs including robotics, coding, medical assistant, emergency responder and construction trade programs
- Modernize, upgrade and renovate existing classrooms, science labs and facilities
- Acquire, install and/or upgrade campus safety and security systems, including intercom and emergency communications systems, lighting systems, cameras, bell systems, fire and life safety systems, installing additional fencing and gates, pedestrian access, walkways, lighting, reconfiguring entrances and drop-off/pickup locations, point of entry access, and upgrading door and window systems
- Replace, repair, modernize deteriorating infrastructure such as: roofs, leaking pipes, outdated plumbing, sewer and gas lines, waterlines, storm drains and valves, heating, cooling, ventilation systems, wiring and electrical systems
- Repair, modernize outdated portable classrooms or replace with permanent modern facilities
- Construct new elementary and middle school to reduce overcrowding
- Renovate and modernize classrooms and school facilities including flooring, windows, window coverings, doors, lighting, interior and exterior finishes, and paint
- Repair or replace deteriorating asphalt, concrete, sidewalks, parking lots, driveways and walkways
- Renovate, repair, replace, maintain athletic playfields, turfs, tracks, gyms, pools, football stadium, and other physical education and athletic facilities, locker rooms and all related improvements and equipment
- Develop, construct, install and improve outdoor areas including playgrounds, play structures, playfields, outdoor learning and meeting areas, hardscaping, landscaping, irrigation improvements, and building/installing shade structures and seating
- Expand, construct and equip transitional kindergarten, and other preschool classrooms, learning spaces and play areas
- Renovate, repair and upgrade restrooms, drinking fountains and filler stations
- Renovate, expand and modernize classroom, workroom, office and conference room spaces for professional development

- Upgrade, install, expand district-wide technology projects including computers, tablets, peripheral hardware, classroom technology tools, data backup systems, remote learning software, hardware, internet, wi-fi, acquiring and installing all necessary network infrastructure and wiring
- Make health and safety improvements, such as installing necessary seismic reinforcements, repairing termite damage and repairing and/or replacing aging building materials including removal of hazardous materials identified either prior to or during construction
- Provide adequate furniture and equipment for all classrooms
- Design, acquire and construct rental housing units for teachers and staff including all related amenities and facilities
- Upgrade, modernize, retrofit food services, cafeteria, eating and serving areas, and equipment
- Federal and State-mandated Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility upgrades district-wide including site access, walkways, parking, staff and student restrooms, relocation of some existing electrical devices, drinking fountains, playground equipment and classrooms

Incidental Expenses. Each of the bond projects described in this Bond Project List include the costs of furnishing and equipping such facilities, and all costs which are incidental but directly related to the types of projects described above. Examples of incidental costs include, but are not limited to: costs of design, engineering, architect and other professional services, facilities assessments, inspections, site preparation, utilities, landscaping, bond project construction management, administration and other planning and permitting, legal, accounting and similar costs; independent annual financial and performance audits; a customary construction contingency; demolition and disposal of existing structures; the costs of interim housing and storage during construction including relocation and construction costs incurred relating to interim facilities; the preparation or restoration of construction, renovation or remodeling; rental or construction of storage facilities and other space on an interim basis for materials and other equipment and furnishings displaced during construction; costs of relocating facilities and equipment as needed in connection with the projects; interim classrooms and facilities for students, administrators, and school functions, including modular facilities; federal and state-mandated safety upgrades; addressing unforeseen conditions revealed by construction/modernization and other necessary improvements required to comply with existing building codes, including the Field Act; access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act; and costs of the election; bond issuance costs; and project administration during the duration of such projects, as permitted by law.

Furnishing and Equipping. Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, fixtures, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, program/project management, staff training expenses and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. In addition to the listed projects stated above, the list also includes the acquisition of a variety of instructional, maintenance and operational equipment, including the reduction or retirement of outstanding lease obligations and interim funding incurred to advance fund projects from the list; installation of signage and fencing; payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility studies, assessment reviews, facility master plan preparation and updates, environmental studies (including environmental investigation, remediation and monitoring), design and construction documentation, and temporary housing of dislocated District activities caused by construction projects. The upgrading of technology infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, computers, projectors, portable interface devices, servers, switches, routers, modules, sound projection systems, printers, digital white boards, document projectors, telephone system, call manager and network security/firewall, wireless technology systems and other miscellaneous equipment and software.

Alternations to Scope; New Construction. The scope and nature of any of the specific projects described above may be altered by the District as required by conditions that may arise during the course of design and construction. In the event that a modernization or renovation project is more economical for or otherwise determined by the Board to be in the best interests of the District to be undertaken as new construction, this bond measure authorizes said new construction including land acquisition, relocation and construction at a new or alternative site, and/or demolition and reconstruction and/or repurposing on the original site, including an expanded site, and all costs relating thereto. In addition, this measure authorizes the acquisition of real property, including necessary rights of ways or other real property interests, required to expand District facilities, to provide access to school or other District facilities, or to provide additional school or related facilities. For any project involving rehabilitation or renovation of a building or the major portion of a building, the District shall be authorized to proceed with new construction instead, if the Board of Trustees determines that replacement and new construction is more economically practical than rehabilitation and renovation, considering the building's age, condition, expected remaining life, and other relevant factors.

Interim Financing Included; Joint Use Projects Authorized. Authorized projects include paying and/or prepaying interim or previously obtained financing for the types of projects included on the Bond Project List, such as bond anticipation notes, and includes prepayment of lease payments to acquire title to facilities and/or equipment previously financed. Projects may also be undertaken on a joint use basis with other public entities.

Bond Project List Not in Order of Priority; Board Determines Prioritization. Approval of this bond measure does not guarantee that the proposed projects will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by the measure. The District's capital needs currently exceed the amount of bonds the voters are being asked to authorize. The order in which particular projects are listed is not intended to suggest priority for funding or completion, and itemization of projects in the list above does not guarantee that all such projects will be undertaken. Project priorities will be determined by the Board of Trustees. The ability of the District to undertake and complete the listed projects is subject to numerous variables including the adequacy and availability of sufficient funding sources. The District is unable to anticipate all unforeseen circumstances which may prevent some of the projects listed above from being undertaken or completed.

Interpretation. The terms of this bond measure and the words used in the Bond Project List shall be interpreted broadly to effect the purpose of providing broad and clear authority for the officers and employees of the District to provide for the school facilities projects the District proposes to finance with the proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition within the authority provided by law, including Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, Education Code Section 15000 *et seq.* and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000. Words used in the Bond Project List such as repair, improve, upgrade, expand, modernize, renovate, and reconfigure are used to describe school facilities projects in plain English but are not intended to expand the nature of such projects beyond what is authorized by law. As such, in accordance with legal requirements, the Bond Project List does not authorize, and shall not be interpreted to authorize, expending proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition for current maintenance, operation or repairs.

Severability. The District Board hereby declares, and the voters by approving this Bond Measure concur, that every section and part of this bond proposition has independent value, and the District Board and the voters would have adopted each provision hereof regardless of every other provision hereof. Upon approval of this measure by the voters, should any part be found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid for any reason, all remaining parts hereof shall remain in full force and effect to the fullest extent allowed by law, and to this end the provisions of this bond measure are severable.

**BOND MEASURE J
SNOWLINE JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF BOND MEASURE J

This Impartial Analysis of Bond Measure J has been prepared by County Counsel pursuant to Section 9500 of the California Elections Code.

This Measure was placed on the ballot by a resolution adopted by the Board of Education ("Board") of the Snowline Joint Unified School District ("District"). A "yes" vote by at least fifty-five percent of the voters voting on this Measure will authorize the District to issue bonds to benefit the District in the amount of \$70,600,000. A "no" vote means that the District will not be authorized to issue and sell the \$70,600,000 in bonds set forth in the Measure.

The District's Resolution No. 25-1698 was adopted pursuant to California Education Code sections 5304, 5322, 15100 et seq., and 15266, and paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and subdivision (b) of Section 18 of Article XVI of the California Constitution. The bond proceeds may only be used for specific school facilities projects listed under the "Bond Project List." The Bond Project List in the full text of the Measure contains the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this ballot Measure and such proceeds may only be used for those specific projects. These projects include: construction, repair, and furnishing of District facilities, including classrooms, common areas, athletics, parking areas, and labs; upgrades for safety and security, including fences, doors, and alarms; repairs to water and technology systems, and other infrastructure.

The District will conduct financial and performance audits annually to ensure that the bond proceeds are spent only on the school facility projects listed in the Measure and will appoint an independent citizens' oversight committee, as required by Education Code section 15278 et seq., which may review audits, inspect school facilities, review deferred maintenance proposals, and review efforts to maximize bond revenues, in order to ensure bond revenues are used for proper purposes and that no funds are used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other school operating expenses.

Information regarding the estimated tax rate to repay these bonds is found in the "Tax Rate Statement" prepared by the District, attached as Appendix C to the full text of the Measure. The projected tax rate is based on projections and estimates from official sources and are not binding upon the District. The bonded debt will be a general obligation of the District and will be financed by taxes levied annually on taxable property located within the District.

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF BOND MEASURE J

This Argument in Favor of Bond Measure J was submitted pursuant to Section 9501 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

Vote Yes on Measure J: Repair Our Aging Local Schools and Ensure Student Safety

Our neighborhood Snowline Joint Unified School District schools serve more than 8,000 students throughout our mountainous and high desert communities. However, many of our schools are over 40 years old, with two built over 80 years ago, and are in critical need of repairs and updates to meet today's safety and educational standards.

Old plumbing, heating, cooling, and electrical systems are outdated. Teachers and students are in classrooms that were built for a different era of education. It is time to upgrade our schools and ensure our students graduate from schools with facilities that can provide a strong foundation in science, math, engineering, and technology.

Our kids deserve the same opportunities as others in the region—safe, modern classrooms, career technical education facilities, and updated technology so they are ready to compete in college and careers.

We can't rely on the state to fix our schools. That's why we need Measure J. It provides a dedicated, locally controlled source of funding that can only be spent on our schools.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR – Continued on next page

Measure J Requires Strict Accountability

- All funds would be locally controlled for our schools only – the state cannot take one penny
- A detailed project list, public spending disclosure, and annual audits are required
- Independent citizen oversight ensures funds are spent as voter intended
- Measure J cannot fund administrator salaries or benefits

Vote YES on Measure J to:

- Upgrade or construct career technical education classrooms and labs to prepare students for college and future careers
- Repair or replace leaking roofs, plumbing, and electrical systems
- Improve school safety and security systems
- Update heating, cooling, and ventilation systems

Join us in voting Yes on Measure J: protect student safety and academic opportunities for all our students.

s/ Janet J. Molina, Charter Kiwanis Member + Grandparent
s/ Matthew Bodell, Snowline Teachers Association President
s/ Kathy Hoffman, Phelan Chamber President, Realtor
s/ Ashley Alvarado, CSEA Chapter 278 President
s/ Patti Hernandez, Vista Verde PTO President

TAX RATE STATEMENT FOR BOND MEASURE J

An election will be held in the Snowline Joint Unified School District (the "District") on November 5, 2024, to authorize the sale of up to \$70,600,000 in general obligation bonds. The following information is submitted in compliance with Sections 9400-9404 of the Elections Code of the State of California. Such information is based upon the best estimates and projections presently available from official sources, upon experience within the District, and other demonstrable factors.

Based upon the foregoing and projections of the District's assessed valuation, the following information is provided:

1. The best estimate of the average annual tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$38 per \$100,000 (3.8¢ per \$100) of assessed valuation. It is currently expected that the tax will be collected until fiscal year 2056-57.

2. The best estimate of the highest tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, is \$40 per \$100,000 (4¢ per \$100) of assessed valuation. This rate is projected to apply in fiscal years 2025-26 through 2059-60, inclusive.

3. The best estimate of total debt service, including principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold will be approximately \$140,900,000.

These estimates are based on projections derived from information obtained from official sources, and are based on the assessed value (not market value) of taxable property on the official tax rolls of the counties in which the District is located. In addition, taxpayers eligible for a property tax exemption, such as the homeowner's exemption, will be taxed at a lower effective tax rate than described above. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills and tax advisors to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions. The attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon projections and estimates only, which amounts are not maximum amounts and durations and are not binding upon the District. The actual debt service, tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary depending on the timing of bond sales, the par amount of bonds sold at each sale and actual increases in assessed valuations. The timing of the bond sales and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on the need for project funds and other considerations. Actual assessed valuations will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the assessors of the counties in which the District is located in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

s/ Ryan Holman, Superintendent, Snowline Joint Unified School District

FULL TEXT FOR BOND MEASURE J

FINDINGS

Snowline Joint Unified School District (the "District") is committed to providing students with a world-class, modern learning experience and to giving them the knowledge and skills necessary to be prepared for college and career opportunities. However, many of the District's schools were built over 80 years ago and have outdated classrooms, plumbing, heating, cooling and electrical systems. Classrooms and science labs that were built for a different era of education now require upgrades to meet today's standards. The Board of Trustees the District (the "Board") has evaluated the needs at each school site and determined a locally controlled funding measure would enable the District to update schools so they can continue to serve our current and future students.

BOND AUTHORIZATION

By approval of this measure by at least 55% of the registered voters voting on the measure, the Snowline Joint Unified School District (the "District") will be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$70,600,000 in aggregate principal amount, at interest rates not to exceed legal limits and to provide financing for the specific types of school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List included below, subject to all the accountability requirements specified below.

ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS

The provisions in this section are specifically included in this measure in order that the voters and taxpayers in the District may be assured that their money will be spent wisely. Expenditures to address specific facilities needs of the District will be in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3), of the State Constitution and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at Education Code Sections 15264 and following.)

The Bonds may be issued under the provisions of the California Education Code (starting at Section 15100), under the provisions of the California Government Code (starting at Section 53506), or under any other provision of law authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds by school districts. The Bonds may be issued in series by the District, from time to time, and each series of Bonds shall mature within the legal limitations set forth in the applicable law under which the Bonds are issued.

Evaluation of Needs. The Board has identified detailed facilities needs of the District, and has determined which projects to finance from a local bond. The Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction, enrollment growth, and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List described below.

Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee. Following approval of this measure, the Board will establish an independent citizens' oversight committee, under Education Code Sections 15278 and following, to ensure bond proceeds are expended only on the types of school facilities projects listed below. The committee will be established within 60 days of the date when the results of the election appear in the minutes of the Board.

Performance Audits. The Board will conduct annual, independent performance audits to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the school facilities projects listed below.

Financial Audits. The Board will conduct annual, independent financial audits of the bond proceeds until all of those proceeds have been spent for the school facilities projects listed below.

Government Code Accountability Requirements. As required by Section 53410 of the Government Code, (1) the specific purpose of the bonds is set forth in this Full Text of the Measure, (2) the proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be used only for the purposes specified in this measure, and not for any other purpose, (3) the proceeds of the bonds, when and if issued, will be deposited into a building fund to be held by the County Treasurers, as required by the Education Code, and (4) the Superintendent of the District shall cause an annual report to be filed with the Board not later than January 1 of each year, which report shall contain pertinent information regarding the amount of funds collected and expended, as well as the status of the projects listed in this measure, as required by Sections 53410 and 53411 of the Government Code.

NO TEACHER OR ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES

Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be used only for the purposes specified in Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3), specifically the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, and the acquisition or lease of school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses.

STATE MATCHING FUNDS

The following statement is included in this measure pursuant to Education Code Section 15122.5: Approval of this measure does not guarantee that the proposed projects that are the subject of bonds under this measure will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by this measure. The District's proposal for the projects described below may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which, if available, could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.

INFORMATION ABOUT ESTIMATES AND PROJECTIONS INCLUDED IN BALLOT

Voters are informed that any estimates or projections in the bond measure or ballot materials, including relating to estimated tax rates, the duration of issued bonds and related tax levies and collections are provided as informational only. Such amounts are estimates and are not maximum amounts or limitations on the terms of the bonds, the tax rate or duration of the tax supporting repayment of issued bonds. Such estimates depend on numerous variables which are subject to variation and change over the term of the District's overall facilities and bond financing plan, including but not limited to the amount of bonds issued and outstanding at any one time, the interest rates applicable to issued bonds, market conditions at the time of sale of the bonds, when bonds mature, timing of project needs and changes in assessed valuations in the District. As such, while such estimates and approximations are provided based on information currently available to the District and its current expectations, such estimates and approximations are not limitations and are not binding upon the District. In addition, the abbreviated and condensed statement of the bond measure presented to voters which is subject to a word count limitation imposed by State law does not limit the scope and complete meaning of the measure provided in this Full Text of Bond Measure and related ballot materials.

BOND PROJECT LIST

Scope of Projects. Bond proceeds will be expended on the modernization, renovation, expansion, acquisition, construction/reconstruction, rehabilitation, and/or replacement of school facilities of the District, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, at all current and future sites and properties.

School Facility Project List. The items presented on the following list provide the types of school facilities projects authorized to be financed with voter-approved bond proceeds. Specific examples included on this list are not intended to limit the types of projects described and authorized by this measure. The following types of projects are authorized at all existing sites of the District and all sites that may be acquired by the District in the future:

Safety and Modernization

- Make health, safety and security improvements including fire alarms, fencing, communication systems and door locks
- Update parking lots and drop off areas to improve campus traffic and safety
- Make accessibility upgrades
- Abate and remove hazardous materials identified prior to or during construction

Repairs and Capital Facility Improvements

- Upgrade or construct career technical classrooms and labs to prepare students for college and future career
- Construct, repair or replace plumbing, electrical, sewer and water systems
- Repair or replace roofs, heating, ventilation and air-conditioning systems
- Construct, modernize, renovate, replace and/or expand schools, classrooms, restrooms, multi-purpose rooms, kitchens and food preparation areas, and other school facilities, including providing updated furnishings and equipment
- Improve, and upgrade technology infrastructure, electrical systems and wiring for computers and Internet access
- Construct, repair, replace and/or upgrade paved surfaces, turf, fields, grounds and outdoor areas, including playgrounds, shade structures, lighting and landscaping improvements, including irrigation

Incidental Expenses. Each of the bond projects described in this Bond Project List include the costs of furnishing and equipping such facilities, and all costs which are incidental but directly related to the types of projects described above. Examples of incidental costs include, but are not limited to: costs of design, engineering, architect and other professional services, facilities assessments, inspections, site preparation, utilities, landscaping, painting, bond project construction management, administration and other planning and permitting, legal, accounting and similar costs; independent annual financial and performance audits; a customary construction contingency; abatement, demolition and disposal of existing structures; the costs of interim housing and storage during construction including relocation and construction costs incurred relating to interim facilities; the preparation or restoration of construction, renovation or remodeling; rental or construction of storage facilities and other space on an interim basis for materials and other equipment and furnishings displaced during construction; costs of relocating facilities and equipment as needed in connection with the projects; interim classrooms and facilities for students, administrators, and school functions, including modular facilities; federal and state-mandated safety upgrades; addressing unforeseen conditions revealed by construction/modernization and other necessary improvements required to comply with existing building codes, including the Field Act; access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act; and costs of the election; bond issuance costs; and project administration during the duration of such projects, as permitted by law.

Furnishing and Equipping. Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, fixtures, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, program/project management, staff training expenses and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. In addition to the listed projects stated above, the list also includes the acquisition of a variety of instructional, maintenance and operational equipment, including the reduction or retirement of outstanding lease obligations and interim funding incurred to advance fund projects from the list; installation of signage and fencing; payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility studies, assessment reviews, facility master plan preparation and updates, environmental studies (including environmental investigation, remediation and monitoring), design and construction documentation, and temporary housing of dislocated District activities caused by construction projects. The upgrading of technology infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, computers, projectors, portable interface devices, servers, switches, routers, modules, sound projection systems, printers, digital white boards, document projectors, telephone system, call manager and network security/firewall, wireless technology systems and other miscellaneous equipment.

Alternations to Scope: Acquisition of Real Property. The scope and nature of any of the specific projects described above may be altered by the District as required by conditions that may arise during the course of design and construction. In the event that a modernization or renovation project is more economical for or otherwise determined by the Board to be in the best interests of the District to be undertaken as new construction, this bond measure authorizes said new construction including land acquisition, relocation and construction at a new or alternative site, and/or demolition and reconstruction and/or repurposing on the original site, including an expanded site, and all costs relating thereto. For any project involving rehabilitation or renovation of a building or the major portion of a building, the District shall be authorized to proceed with new construction instead, if the Board determines that replacement and new construction is more economically practical than rehabilitation and renovation, considering the building's age, condition, expected remaining life, and other relevant factors.

In addition, this measure authorizes the acquisition of real property, including necessary rights of ways or other real property interests required to expand District facilities, to provide access to school or other District facilities, or to provide additional school or related facilities.

Interim Financing Included: Joint Use Projects Authorized. Authorized projects include paying and/or prepaying interim or previously obtained financing for the types of projects included on the Bond Project List, such as bond anticipation notes, and includes prepayment of lease payments to acquire title to facilities and/or equipment previously financed. Projects may also be undertaken on a joint use basis with other public entities.

Bond Project List Not in Order of Priority; Board Determines Prioritization. Approval of this bond measure does not guarantee that the proposed projects will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by the measure. The District's capital needs currently exceed the amount of bonds the voters are being asked to authorize. The order in which particular projects are listed is not intended to suggest priority for funding or completion, and itemization of projects in the list above does not guarantee that all such projects will be undertaken. Project priorities will be determined by the Board. The ability of the District to undertake and complete the listed projects is subject to numerous variables including the adequacy and availability of sufficient funding sources. The District is unable to anticipate all unforeseen circumstances which may prevent some of the projects listed above from being undertaken or completed.

Interpretation. The terms of this bond measure and the words used in the Bond Project List shall be interpreted broadly to effect the purpose of providing broad and clear authority for the officers and employees of the District to provide for the school facilities projects the District proposes to finance with the proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition within the authority provided by law, including Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, Education Code Section 15000 *et seq.* and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000. Words used in the Bond Project List such as repair, improve, upgrade, expand, modernize, renovate, and reconfigure are used to describe school facilities projects in plain English but are not intended to expand the nature of such projects beyond what is authorized by law. As such, in accordance with legal requirements, the Bond Project List does not authorize, and shall not be interpreted to authorize, expending proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition for current maintenance, operation or repairs.

Severability. The Board hereby declares, and the voters by approving this Bond Measure concur, that every section and part of this bond proposition has independent value, and the Board and the voters would have adopted each provision hereof regardless of every other provision hereof. Upon approval of this measure by the voters, should any part be found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid for any reason, all remaining parts hereof shall remain in full force and effect to the fullest extent allowed by law, and to this end the provisions of this bond measure are severable.

**MEASURE K
COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE K

This Impartial Analysis of Measure K has been prepared by County Counsel pursuant to Section 9160 of the California Elections Code.

Measure "K" if approved would increase the Uniform Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) in the unincorporated areas of San Bernardino County ("County") from seven percent (7%) to eleven percent (11%) and make administrative revisions to the language of San Bernardino County Code section 14.0203 which imposes the TOT. The TOT is charged to guests who stay 30 days or less at hotels, inns, tourist homes or houses including short term rentals, motels, studio hotels, bachelor hotels, lodging houses, rooming houses, apartment houses, dormitories, public or private clubs, mobile homes or house trailers at a fixed location, or other similar structures or portions of a similar structure. Operators of these properties collect the TOT when guests pay for their accommodations and submit quarterly payments to the County.

The Measure will also make administrative changes to San Bernardino County Code section 14.0203. The first change is to confirm the definition of "Hotel" includes short term rentals. The second change is to clarify that when a person files for an "Assignment to the Benefit of Creditors" (an alternative to bankruptcy) that a County lien for unpaid TOT will take priority over other debts. The Measure would also make other minor language changes to the ordinance.

The TOT is a general tax and therefore any additional revenue generated by the increased TOT would be deposited in the County's general fund and may be used for any general governmental purpose. If current occupancy rates remain steady and "Measure K" is passed, it would generate approximately \$9,400,000 in additional revenue annually for general government use. Use of the revenue from the TOT will be audited by the County's external independent auditor annually, and all funds will be locally controlled.

This Measure requires a simple majority vote for approval and was placed on the ballot by the Board of Supervisors.

A yes vote on this Measure will increase the TOT to 11% and if current occupancy rates remain steady will provide approximately an additional \$9,400,000 annually for general government use. It will also make administrative changes to San Bernardino County Code section 14.0203 which describes how the TOT is collected.

A no vote on this Measure will keep in effect the TOT rate of 7% and will not make administrative changes to San Bernardino County Code section 14.0203.

Office of County Counsel
s/ JOLENA E. GRIDER
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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE K

This Argument in Favor of Measure K was submitted pursuant to Section 9162 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

Vote 'YES' on Measure K – an ordinance to increase the Uniform Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) from 7% to 11%, a tax paid by out-of-area tourists staying in hotels, short-term rentals, and other lodging establishments in the unincorporated areas of our county.

San Bernardino County is at a crucial juncture. By passing Measure K, we can generate an additional \$9.4 million annually from tourism, which will be reinvested directly into our communities to enhance our quality of life.

Why Should You Support Measure K?

1. **Ensuring Fair Contributions from Visitors:** Tourists and short-term renters utilize our public services and infrastructure without directly contributing to their upkeep. By increasing the TOT, Measure K ensures that those who benefit from our county's attractions also help cover the costs associated with their stay.
2. **Keeping Pace with Inflation:** The TOT rate has not been raised since 2002 – a time when gas cost less than \$2 dollars a gallon. As the cost of living rises, our current rate lags behind neighboring counties, where the average TOT is already 11%.
3. **Strengthening Community Services and Infrastructure:** This modest revenue increase will be allocated to vital projects, including road repairs, park maintenance, and improvements in public safety.

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Investing in Our County's Future

Supporting Measure K means investing in the long-term success of San Bernardino County. This increase is a sensible step to ensure that visitors contribute fairly, allowing us to continue making meaningful investments in our infrastructure and services.

Join us in voting 'YES' on Measure K to strengthen our local economy and create a brighter future for all residents of San Bernardino County.

Vote YES on Measure K—Invest in Our County's Future!

- s/ James M. Lally, DO, CEO, Health Service Alliance
- s/ Mary Armendarez, Teacher
- s/ David E. Mlynarski, Business Principal
- s/ Grant Ward, President of Sheriff's Employees' Benefit Association
- s/ Kayla Haney, Registered Nurse

FULL TEXT FOR MEASURE K

Section I. County Code Amendment

A. Title 1, Division 4, Chapter 2, Section 14.0203 of the County Code is amended as follows

(with new language underlined and repealed language in ~~strikeout~~ text):

§ 14.0203 Uniform Transient Occupancy Tax.

(a) *Definitions and General Provisions.*

(1) *Reference to Ordinance or Statute.* Whenever any reference is made to any portion of this, or ~~of~~ to any other ordinance, or to any statute, such reference shall apply to all amendments and additions thereto now or hereafter made.

~~(2) *Severance Clause.* If any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Chapter or any part thereof is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Chapter or any part thereof. The Board of Supervisors hereby declares that it would have passed each section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unconstitutional.~~

~~(32)~~ *Tenses.* The present tense includes the past and future tenses.

~~(43)~~ *Genders.* Each gender includes ~~the~~ all other ~~two~~ genders.

~~(54)~~ *Number.* The singular number includes the plural and the plural the singular.

~~(65)~~ *Definitions.* Unless the context otherwise requires, the definitions in this Section ~~Article~~ shall govern the construction of this Section ~~Chapter~~.

~~**ARTICLE.** An Article of this Chapter unless some other chapter or statute is mentioned.~~

~~**BOARD.** The Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino County.~~

~~**COUNTY.** The County of San Bernardino County.~~

~~**HOTEL.** Any structure in the unincorporated territory of the County, or any portion of any such structure, which is occupied or intended or designed for occupancy by transients for dwelling, lodging or sleeping purposes, and includes any hotel, inn, tourist home or house including short term rentals, motel, studio hotel, bachelor hotel, lodging house, rooming house, apartment house, dormitory, public or private club, mobilehome or house trailer at a fixed location, or other similar structure or portion thereof.~~

~~**OCCUPANCY.** The use or possession, or the right to the use or possession of any room or rooms or portion thereof, in any hotel for dwelling, lodging or sleeping purposes.~~

~~**OPERATOR.** The person who is proprietor of the hotel, whether in the capacity of owner, lessee, sublessee, mortgagee in possession, licensee, or any other capacity. Where the operator performs ~~his or her~~ its functions through a managing agent, the managing agent shall also be deemed an operator for the purposes of this Chapter ~~Section~~ and shall have the same duties and liabilities as ~~his or her principal~~ the operator. Compliance with the provisions of this Chapter ~~Section~~ by either the principal or the managing agent shall, ~~however,~~ be considered ~~deemed to be~~ compliance by both.~~

~~**PERSON.** Any individual, firm, partnership, joint venture, association, social club, fraternal organization, joint stock company, corporation, estate, trust, business trust, receiver, trustee, syndicate, or any other group of or combination acting as a unit.~~

~~**RENT.** The consideration charged, whether or not received, for the occupancy of space in a hotel valued in money, whether to be received in money, goods, labor or otherwise including all receipts, cash, credits and property and services of any kind or nature, without any deduction therefrom whatsoever.~~

~~**SECTION.** A Section of this Chapter.~~

~~**SHALL** and **MAY.** "Shall" is mandatory and "may" is permissive.~~

~~**TAX.** The transient occupancy tax.~~

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TAX ADMINISTRATOR. The Tax Collector or other County Department designated by the Board of Supervisors.

TAX COLLECTOR. The Tax Collector of the County of San Bernardino County.

TRANSIENT. Any person who exercises occupancy or is entitled to occupancy by reason of concession, permit, right of access, license or other agreement for a period of 30 consecutive calendar days or less, counting portions of calendar days as full days. Any such person so occupying space in a hotel shall be deemed a transient until the period of 30 days has expired unless there is an agreement in writing between the operator and the occupant providing for a longer period of occupancy. In determining whether a person is a transient, uninterrupted periods of time extending both prior and subsequent to the effective date of this ~~Section~~ Chapter may be considered.

(b) *Imposition of Tax.*

(1) *Tax imposed.* For the privilege of occupancy in any hotel, each transient is subject to and shall pay a tax in the amount of ~~seven~~ eleven percent (11%) of the rent charged by the operator.

(2) *Payment by Transient.* The transient shall pay the tax to the operator of the hotel at the time the rent is paid. If the rent is paid in installments, a proportionate share of the tax shall be paid with each installment. The unpaid tax shall be due upon the transient's ceasing to occupy space in the hotel. If, for any reason the tax due is not paid to the operator of the hotel, the Tax Collector may require the transient to pay such tax directly to the Tax Collector.

(3) *Exemptions.* If a proper claim for exemption is made, a tax shall not be imposed upon ~~(a), (b), (c)~~ any of the following:

(a) Any person as to whom, or any occupancy as to which, it is beyond the legal power of the County to impose the tax ~~herein provided~~;

(b) Any Federal or State of California officer or employee when on official business;

(c) Any officer or employee of a foreign government who is exempt by reason of express provision of Federal law or ~~intentional~~ international treaty.

(d) Any occupancy of a hotel which is used exclusively for religious, educational, charitable or welfare purposes, such as church or other religious lodges, camps and retreats, Boy Scout and Girl Scout grounds, fresh air camps, and similar sites, shall be exempt from this tax, and the operators of such hotels are not required to register ~~as provided for under Article 3.~~ However, it shall be the duty of the operator of any such hotel to furnish the Tax Collector with such information as the Tax Collector ~~deems~~ specifies as necessary to establish or retain such exempt status. Transients occupying such hotels are not required to furnish individual exemption claims.

(4) *Claim of Exemption.* The Tax Collector shall prepare and furnish to the operators of hotels who have registered as required by this Section, Article 3 forms by which transients may claim exemption from the payment of the tax. An exemption shall not be granted to any transient except upon a claim therefor made at the time rent is collected and under penalty of perjury upon the form supplied by the Tax Collector.

(5) *Operator's Duties.* Each operator shall collect the tax imposed by this Section to the same extent and at the same time as the rent is collected from every transient. The amount of tax shall be separately stated from the amount of the rent charged, and each transient shall receive a receipt for payment from the operator. The operator of a hotel shall not advertise or state in any manner, whether directly or indirectly, that the tax or any part thereof will be assumed or absorbed by the operator, or that it will not be added to the rent, or that, if added, any part will be refunded except in the manner hereinafter provided.

(6) *Records.* Every operator liable for the collection and payment to the County of any tax imposed by this Section Article shall keep and preserve, for not less than three years, all records ~~which may be~~ reasonably necessary to determine the amount of such tax for the collection ~~of,~~ and payment ~~of,~~ to the County of any tax for which the operator may be, or may become, liable. The Tax Collector or Tax Collector's designee may inspect these records at any reasonable time. The operator shall make such records available at any reasonable time requested by the Tax Collector.

(c) *Registration.*

(1) *Operator Must Register.* Within 30 days after the effective date of this Section, or within 30 days after commencing business, whichever is later, each operator of any hotel renting occupancy to transients shall register the said hotel with the Tax Collector. Upon such registration, the Tax Collector shall issue to such operator a "Transient Occupancy, Registration Certificate."

(2) *Posting of Certificate.* The operator shall post, and at all times keep posted in a conspicuous place on the premises of the hotel, the ~~Transient~~ Occupancy ~~Registration~~ Certificate.

(3) *Contents of Certificate.* The ~~Transient~~ Occupancy ~~Registration~~ Certificate shall, ~~among other things,~~ state the following: A(1) the name of the operator; B(2) the address of the hotel; C(3) the date upon which the certificate was issued; and D(4) "This Transient Occupancy Registration Certificate signifies that the person named on the face hereof has fulfilled the requirements of the Uniform Transient Occupancy Tax Ordinance by registering with the Tax Collector for the purpose of collecting from transients the Transient Occupancy Tax and remitting said tax to the Tax Collector. This certificate does not authorize any person to conduct any unlawful business or to conduct any lawful business in an unlawful manner, nor to operate a hotel without strictly complying with all local applicable laws, including but not limited to those requiring a permit from any board, commission, department or office of this County. This Certificate does not constitute a permit."

(d) *Reporting and Remitting.*

(1) *Operator Must Report.* Each operator, on or before the last day of the month following the close of the calendar quarter, or at the close of any other reporting period which may be established by the Tax Collector, shall make a return to the Tax Collector, on forms ~~the Tax Collector provided by him or her~~, of the total rents charged and received and the amount of tax collected for transient occupancies.

(2) *Payment of the Tax.* At the time the return is filed, the operator shall remit to the Tax Collector the full amount of the tax collected ~~to the Tax Collector~~. The Tax Collector may establish shorter, longer, or other reporting periods for any certificate holder if ~~he or she~~ the Tax Collector deems it necessary or expedient in order to insure collection of the tax. The Tax Collector may require further information in the return. Returns and payments are due immediately upon cessation of business for any reason.

(3) *Taxes Held in Trust.* Every operator shall hold all taxes collected by such operator in trust for the account of the County until payment thereof is made to the Tax Collector, ~~all taxes collected by such operator~~.

(e) *Penalties and Interest.*

(1) *Original Delinquency.* Any operator who fails to remit any tax imposed by this Section within the time required, shall pay a penalty of ten percent of the amount of the tax, ₁ in addition to the amount of the tax.

(2) *Continued Delinquency.* Any operator who fails to remit any delinquent remittance on or before ~~a period of~~ 30 days following the date on which the remittance first became delinquent, shall pay a second delinquency penalty of ten percent of the amount of the tax, ₁ in addition to the amount of the tax and the ten percent penalty first imposed.

(3) *Fraud.* If the Tax Administrator determines that the non-payment of any remittance due under this Section is due to fraud, a penalty of 25 percent of the amount of the tax shall be added thereto, ₁ in addition to the penalties stated in Subsections § 14.0203(e)(1) and 14.0203(e)(2).

(4) *Interest.* In addition to the penalties imposed, any operator who fails to remit any tax imposed by this Section shall pay interest at the rate of one-half of one percent per month or fraction thereof on the amount of the tax, exclusive of penalties, from the date on which the remittance first became delinquent until paid.

(5) *Penalties Merged with Tax.* Every penalty imposed and such interest as accrues under the provisions of this Section shall become a part of the tax herein required to be paid.

(6) *Failure to Collect and Report Tax.* Determination of Tax Administrator. If any operator shall fail or refuse to collect said tax and to make, within the time provided in this Section, any report and remittance of said tax or any portion thereof required by this Section, the Tax Collector shall proceed in such manner as he or she may deem best to obtain facts and information on which to base ~~his or her~~ an estimate of the tax due. As soon as the Tax Collector shall procure such facts and information as he or she is able to obtain upon which to base the assessment of any tax imposed by this Section and payable by any operator who has failed or refused to collect the same and to make such report and remittance, he or she shall proceed to determine and assess against such operator the tax, interest and penalties provided for by this Section.

(7) *Notice.* If the Tax Collector makes a determination pursuant to this Section Chapter, he or she shall give a notice of the amount so assessed, either by serving such notice personally or by depositing it in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the operator so assessed at his or her last known place of business.

(8) *Application for Hearing.* Within ten days after the serving upon any operator of such notice, such operator may apply in writing to the Tax Collector for a hearing on the amount assessed. If application by the operator for a hearing is not made within the time prescribed, the tax, interest and penalties, if any, determined by the Tax Collector, ₁ shall become final and conclusive and immediately due and payable.

(9) *Hearing by Tax Collector.* If such application is made, the Tax Collector shall give not less than five days written notice in the manner prescribed herein to the operator to show cause at a time and place fixed in said notice why said amount specified therein should not be fixed for such tax, interest and penalties. At such hearing, the operator may appear and offer evidence why ~~such the~~ specified tax, interest and penalties contained in the notice should not be ~~fixed~~ assessed. After such hearing, the Tax Collector shall determine the proper tax to be remitted and shall thereafter give written notice to the person in the manner prescribed herein of such determination and the amount of such tax, interest and penalties. The amount determined to be due shall be payable after 15 days unless an appeal is taken as provided in Subsection (f)(1).

(f) *Appeal.*

(1) *Notice of Appeal.* Any operator deeming himself or herself aggrieved by any decision of the Tax Collector with respect to the amount of the tax, interest and penalties, if any, may appeal to the Board by filing a notice of appeal with the Clerk of the Board within 15 days of the serving or mailing of the determination of the tax due.

(2) *Notice of Hearing.* Upon the filing of a notice of appeal, the Board shall fix a time and place for hearing such appeal and the Clerk of the Board shall give not less than five days' notice in writing, either personally or by United States mail, postage prepaid, to the last known address of the operator.

(3) *Appointment of Referee.* The Board may appoint a referee to take testimony at any hearing provided for in this Article Subsection (f), and to report ~~the his~~ findings and recommendations to the Board. Neither the Tax Collector nor any officer or employee in ~~be the~~ the Office of the Tax Collector may be appointed referee.

(4) *Compensation of Referee.* If the Board appoints a County officer or County employee to act as referee, he or she shall serve as such without any additional compensation. All time spent as a referee shall be considered as time spent by such officer or employee in performing the duties of his or her position.

(5) *Conduct of Hearing.* At the time set for the hearing, or at the date to which the hearing may be continued by the Board or referee, the Board or referee shall hear the appellant and any other competent witnesses, and decide whether the determination of the Tax Collector was correct or not, and, if not, what tax, interest, or penalties, if any, are due to the County from the appellant. The Board or referee may place any witness, including the appellant, under oath.

(6) *Decision on Appeal.* The Board shall determine from the evidence, or from the report of the referee, what tax, interest, or penalties, if any, are due to the County from the appellant. This decision shall be final and conclusive. The Clerk of the Board shall serve a copy of the decision upon the appellant in writing, either personally or by United States mail, postage prepaid, to the last known address of the operator. ~~as provided in § 14.0203(f)(2).~~ Any amount due shall be immediately due and payable upon the service of the said notice.

(g) *Refunds.* Whenever the amount of any tax, interest or penalty has been overpaid, or paid more than once, or has been erroneously or illegally collected or received by the County under this Section, the operator so paying may have such amount applied to subsequent taxes due, or it may be refunded as provided in this Section Article if, within three years after the date of payment the operator files with the Tax Collector in writing, a claim therefor. In such claim the operator shall state, under penalty of perjury, the specific grounds and specific facts upon which the claim is founded. The claims shall be on forms furnished by the Tax Collector.

(1) *Credit to Operator.* An operator may take as credit against subsequent taxes, the amount overpaid, paid more than once, or erroneously or illegally collected or received, when it is established in a manner prescribed by the Tax Collector that the person from whom the tax was collected was not a transient, and the amount of the tax so collected has either been refunded to the transient or credited to rent subsequently payable by the transient to the operator.

(2) *Refund to Operator.* When an operator establishes a right to a credit as provided in this Section Article, and also shows to the satisfaction of the Tax Collector either that he or she no longer is operating a hotel in the unincorporated territory of the County, or will cease such operation before the credit can be applied, and files a proper claim therefor, in lieu of such credit the County shall refund to such operator the amount overpaid, paid more than once or erroneously or illegally collected or received.

(3) *Refund to Guest.* A transient or other guest of a hotel may obtain a refund of taxes overpaid or paid more than once or erroneously or illegally collected or received by the County by filing a claim in the manner provided in this Subsection (g), if the tax was paid by the transient or other guest directly to the Tax Collector, or if the transient or other guest has paid the tax to the operator, and establishes to the satisfaction of the Tax Collector that the transient or other guest has been unable to obtain a refund from the operator who collected the tax.

(4) *Written Records.* A refund shall not be paid pursuant to this Section Article unless the claimant establishes his or her right thereto by written records showing that he or she is entitled thereto.

(h) *Civil Actions.*

(1) *Debt Due From Transient.* Any tax required to be paid by any transient under the provisions of this Section shall be deemed a debt owed by the transient to the County.

(2) *Debt Due from Operator.* Any tax collected from a transient by an operator pursuant to the provisions of this Section which has not been paid to the County shall be deemed a debt owed by the operator to the County.

(3) *Actions to Collect.* The Tax Collector, in the name of ~~the County of San Bernardino~~ County, as plaintiff, may bring suit for the recovery of the unpaid tax imposed by ~~of~~ this Section.

(4) *Responsibility.* ~~Any tax required to be paid by any transient under the provisions of this Chapter shall be deemed a debt owed by the transient to the County. Any such tax collected by an operator which has not been paid to the County shall be deemed a debt owed by the operator to the County.~~ Any person owing money to the County under the provisions of this Section Chapter shall be liable to an action brought in the name of ~~the County of San Bernardino~~ County for the recovery of such amount.

(5) *Recording Certificate; Lien.* If any amount required to be paid to the County under this Section Chapter is not paid when due, the Tax Collector may, within three years after the amount is due, file for record in the Office of the San Bernardino County Recorder a certificate specifying the amount of tax, penalties and interest due, the name and address as it appears on the records of the Tax Collector of the operator liable for the same and the fact that the Tax Collector has complied with all provisions of this ordinance in the determination of the amount required to be paid. From the time of the filing for record, the amount required to be paid together with penalties and interest constitutes a lien upon all real property in the County owned by the operator or afterwards and before the lien expires acquired by him or her. The lien has the force, effect and priority of a judgment lien and shall continue for ten years from the time of filing of the certificate unless sooner released or otherwise discharged.

(6) *Priority and Lien of Tax.* The amount required to be paid by any operator under this Section Chapter with penalties and interest shall be satisfied first in any of the following cases:

- (A) Whenever the person is insolvent;
- (B) Whenever the person makes a voluntary assignment of his or her assets;

(C) Whenever the estate of the person in the hands of executors, administrators or heirs is insufficient to pay all debts due from the deceased;

(D) Whenever the estate and effects of an absconding, concealed or absent person required to pay any amount under this ~~Section~~Chapter are levied upon by process of law. This ~~Section~~Chapter does not give the County a preference over any recorded lien which attached prior to the date when the amounts required to be paid became a lien;

(E) Whenever the person files for Assignment to the Benefit of Creditors.

The preference given to the County by this Section shall be subordinate to the preference given to claims for personal services by Code of Civil Procedure §§ sections 1204 and 1206.

(7) *Seizure and Sale.* At any time within three years after any operator is delinquent in the payment of any amount, the Tax Collector may forthwith collect the amount in the following manner:

The Tax Collector shall seize any property, real or personal, of the operator and sell the property, or a sufficient part of it, at public auction to pay the amount due together with any penalties and interest imposed for the delinquency and any costs incurred on account of the seizure and sale. Any seizure made to collect occupancy taxes due shall be only of property of the operator not exempt from execution under the provisions of the Code of Civil Procedure.

(8) *Successor's Liability—Withholding by Purchaser.* If any operator liable for any amount under this ~~Section~~Chapter sells out his or her business or quits the business, his or her successor or assignee shall withhold sufficient of the purchase price to cover such amount until the former owner produces a receipt from the Tax Collector showing that it has been paid or a certificate stating that no amount is due.

(9) *Liability of Purchaser; Release.* If the purchaser of a hotel fails to withhold from the purchase price as required, he or she shall become personally liable for the payment of the amount required to be withheld by him or her to the extent of the purchase price, valued in money. Within 30 days after receiving a written request from the purchaser for a certificate, or within 30 days from the date the former owner's records are made available for audit, whichever period expires the later, but in any event not later than 60 days after receiving the request, the Tax Collector shall either issue the certificate or mail notice to purchaser at his or her address as it appears on the records of the Tax Collector of the amount that must be paid as a condition of issuing the certificate. Failure of the Tax Collector to mail the notice will release the purchaser from any further obligation to withhold from the purchase price as above provided. The time within which the obligation of the successor may be enforced shall start to run at the time the operator sells his or her business or at the time that the determination against the operator becomes final, whichever event occurs the later.

(i) *Violations.*

(1) *Misdemeanor.* Every person is guilty of a misdemeanor who:

(A) Fails or refuses to register as required by this Section;

(B) Fails or refuses to furnish any return required to be made, or fails or refuses to furnish a supplemental return or other data required by the Tax Collector;

(C) Renders a false or fraudulent return;

(D) If required by this Section to make, render, sign or verify any report or claim, makes any false or fraudulent report or claim with intent to defeat or evade the determination of any amount due;

(E) Collects the tax due pursuant to this Section from any transient and fails to pay the same to the County;

(F) Violates in any way any other provision of this Section.

(2) *Punishment.* Violation of any provisions of this Section is punishable by a fine of not more than \$500.00 or by imprisonment in the County Jail for not more than six months or by both such fine and imprisonment.

**MEASURE L
COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE L

This Impartial Analysis of Measure L has been prepared by the County Counsel pursuant to Section 9160 of the California Elections Code.

Measure "L," if approved would amend Section 308 of the San Bernardino County Charter and add Section 309 and Article VIII to the Charter.

The Measure would amend Charter Section 308 so that beginning January 1, 2025 the annual base salary of elected county officials, except for (1) the Sheriff, (2) the District Attorney, (3) the County Superintendent of Schools and (4) Members of the Board of Supervisors, will be the average of the base salaries paid to officers holding the most similar positions in Orange, Riverside, Los Angeles, San Diego and Ventura Counties. It would provide that those individuals holding the positions of Auditor-Controller/Treasurer/Tax Collector and Assessor-Recorder on November 5, 2024, shall not have their base salary reduced under this Section and that they shall receive base salary increases of 4% on January 1 of each year while they occupy the specific elective office they held on November 5, 2024, including any consecutive elected terms. Section 308 would provide that elected county officials will also receive compensation and benefits pursuant to the Salaries and Working Conditions of the County-Wide Elected Official Ordinance. Section 308 will continue to require that the salary and benefits of the elected county officials be posted on the County website.

The Measure would add Charter Section 309 governing the compensation of the Sheriff and the District Attorney. Beginning January 1, 2025, the annual base salary for these two positions will be the average of the salaries paid to the Sheriff and the District Attorney in Orange, Riverside, Los Angeles, San Diego, and Ventura Counties. Section 309 would provide that the County Sheriff and District Attorney shall also receive compensation and benefits pursuant to the Salaries and Working Conditions of the County-Wide Elected Officials Ordinance. Section 309 will require the salary and benefits for the Sheriff and the District Attorney be posted on the County website.

The Measure would add Article VIII to the Charter which will require the Board of Supervisors to allocate a minimum amount of funding in its annual budget to fund County Patrol Personnel's direct salary and benefit costs for operations in the unincorporated area of the County. The minimum amount would be an average of the amount of actual Patrol Personnel salary and benefit costs in the unincorporated area of the County in the three previous fiscal years. This amount would exclude all salary and benefits associated with cities that contract with the County for services and any "one-time" funding received by the County. The Board of Supervisors by a four-fifths majority would be able to annually suspend the minimum funding requirement for up to twelve months by resolution that declares a fiscal emergency.

Article VIII would require the Sheriff to publish an annual report discussing (1) calls for service and deputy reports in the unincorporated area for the two prior fiscal years, (2) the current and two prior fiscal years' adopted unincorporated Patrol Personnel salary and benefit budgets approved by the Board of Supervisors, and (3) the calculated minimum allocation for the current fiscal year's unincorporated Patrol Personnel budget. The annual report would be published each December on the County's official website.

This Measure requires a simple majority vote for approval and was placed on the ballot by the Board of Supervisors.

A yes vote on this Measure will amend the County Charter to set the compensation for elected county officials, except for the Board of Supervisors and County Superintendent of Schools, set the compensation for the Sheriff and the District Attorney, and provide for minimum funding for Patrol Personnel in the unincorporated area of the County.

A no vote on this Measure will result in no changes in the County Charter.

Office of County Counsel
s/ JOLENA E. GRIDER
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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE L

This Argument in Favor of Measure L was submitted pursuant to Section 9162 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

Vote 'YES' on Measure L – The San Bernardino County Law Enforcement Staffing and Community Protection Act.

LIMIT PRICE INFLATION AT RETAIL STORES AND INSURANCE RATES. DON'T ALLOW THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO DEFUND THE POLICE

The cost of living continues to increase for all of us. Meanwhile, the people in San Bernardino County are unsafe in their communities, constantly looking over their shoulders due to increased crime from soft-on-crime policies. We can't afford to live like this anymore. Measure L will protect your wallet and safety by doing the following:

- Ensure that law enforcement officers constantly patrol our unincorporated communities by establishing a minimum staffing model.
- Assure retailers and insurance companies that there will always be a police presence in our communities, allowing them to reduce insurance premiums and stop price hikes when shopping at local stores.
- Establish a charter amendment that would NEVER allow the Board of Supervisors to defund the Sheriff's Department's patrol operation without a vote of the people.
- Cuts the County's elected officials' special compensation for personal vehicles and cell phones.

Our elected officials work for us, and our voices must be heard. Let's keep our communities safe and reduce our cost of living by voting 'YES' on Measure L – The Law Enforcement Staffing and Community Protection Act.

Learn more at: SanBernardinoSafe.com

s/ Shannon D. Dicus, Sheriff-Coroner-Public Administrator

s/ Jason M. Anderson, District Attorney of San Bernardino County

s/ Phil Cothran Sr., President, Cothran Insurance Agency

s/ Mark Creffield, President/CEO, Greater High Desert Chamber of Commerce

s/ Dr. Cherina Betters, Chief of Equity and Access, San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools

FULL TEXT FOR MEASURE L

MEASURE "L" SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT STAFFING AND COMMUNITY PROTECTION ACT OF 2024

Section I. Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this measure is the following:

- To ensure that the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department patrol stations in the unincorporated County are adequately funded to maintain public safety;
- To establish a minimum funding level formula for patrol personnel resource dedicated to law enforcement operations in the unincorporated area of the County;
- To protect the community from potential defunding of law enforcement services; and
- To provide competitive compensation for County Elected Officers, except the Board of Supervisors and County Superintendent of Schools, to attract and retain qualified individuals to serve in these constitutionally elected offices.

Section II. Charter Amendments

A. Article III, Section 308, Compensation of Elective County Officers, of the Charter of San Bernardino County is hereby repealed and replaced in its entirety (with the new language underlined and the repealed language in ~~strikethrough~~ text):

Section 308. Compensation of Elective County Officers.

~~The annual salaries of elected County Officers, excepting that of the County Superintendent of Schools and Members of the Board of Supervisors, shall be set by, but shall never exceed, the average of the salaries paid to corresponding officers in the following California Counties: Riverside, Kern, San Diego, Orange and Ventura. The salaries shall be computed each year on December 1 as follows: On December 1, 1985, 70 percent of the average, on December 1, 1986, 80 percent of the average, on December 1, 1987, 90 percent of the average, and on December 1, 1988, and thereafter, 100 percent of the average; provided, however, that on December 1, 1989, and each December 1 thereafter, regardless of the amount of increase in the average salaries from the other counties, no increase shall exceed 4 percent of the~~

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~~annual salary of the elected officer unless submitted to and approved by the voters of the County at a County-wide election. Where no comparable offices exist in a majority of named counties, the salary of the office shall be adjusted by the average of the percentage adjustments of the other county officers governed by this section. No provision of this amendment shall provide retroactive benefits. No salary adjustment shall be made on December 1, 1985, for any elected official whose salary has been adjusted since November 7, 1978, but such salaries shall be adjusted thereafter in accordance with this section. This section is intended to operate as a continuous application of the third paragraph of Section 1 of Article VI of the County Charter of 1913.~~

~~The salary and benefits that elective County officers are eligible to receive shall be posted on the County website and accessible from a link located on the home page of the County website.~~

Beginning January 1, 2025, the base salary for the elective County officers, except (1) those covered under Section 309, (2) the County Superintendent of Schools, and (3) Members of the Board of Supervisors, shall be set by the average of the base salaries paid to officers holding the most similar position in the following California counties: Orange, Riverside, Los Angeles, San Diego and Ventura. In calculating the base salary of the elective County officers, the salary paid to the individual holding the most similar office in the five identified counties to the elective County officer shall be used, regardless of whether the position has been consolidated with other elected offices or appointed positions. The base salary of the County officers shall be set based upon this section, regardless of whether the elective County office has been consolidated with other elective County offices in Section 301 or appointed positions. The base salary shall be adjusted annually on January 1 as provided in this paragraph.

The individuals holding the positions of Auditor-Controller/Treasurer/Tax Collector and Assessor-Recorder on November 5, 2024, shall not have their base salary reduced pursuant to this Section, and shall receive base salary increases of 4% annually on January 1 while they occupy that specific elective County office, including any future consecutive elected terms.

Beginning January 1, 2025, in addition to base salary, the elective County officers shall receive compensation and benefits pursuant to the Salaries and Working Conditions of the County-Wide Elected Officials Ordinance, as amended or replaced by ordinance approved by the Board of Supervisors.

The salary and benefits that elective County officers are eligible to receive shall be posted on the County website and accessible from a link located on the home page of the County website.

B. Article III, Section 309, Compensation of County Sheriff and District Attorney, is added to the Charter of San Bernardino County as follows (with the new language underlined):

Section 309. Compensation of County Sheriff and District Attorney.

Beginning January 1, 2025, the base salary for the County Sheriff and District Attorney shall be the average of the salaries paid to the Sheriff and District Attorney in the following California counties: Orange, Riverside, Los Angeles, San Diego and Ventura. In calculating the base salary of the County Sheriff and District Attorney based on the salaries in the five identified counties, the salary paid to the individuals holding the offices of Sheriff and District Attorney in those counties shall be used, regardless of whether the position has been consolidated with other elected offices or appointed positions. The base salary of the County Sheriff and District Attorney shall be set based upon this section, regardless of whether the elected office has been consolidated with other elective County offices or appointed positions. The base salary shall be adjusted annually on January 1 of each year as provided in this paragraph.

Beginning January 1, 2025, in addition to base salary the County Sheriff and District Attorney shall receive compensation and benefits pursuant to the Salaries and Working Conditions of the County-Wide Elected Officials Ordinance, as amended or replaced by an ordinance approved by the Board of Supervisors.

The salary and benefits that the County Sheriff and District Attorney are eligible to receive shall be posted on the County website and accessible from a link located on the home page of the County website.

C. Article VIII, Law Enforcement Funding, is added to the Charter of San Bernardino County as follows (with the new language underlined):

ARTICLE VIII, LAW ENFORCEMENT FUNDING

Section 801. Definitions

For purposes of Article VIII the following definition applies:

"Patrol Personnel" means all Deputy Sheriffs, Detectives/Corporals, Sergeants, Lieutenants, and Captains whose job duties directly support the operations of County unincorporated patrol stations.

Section 802. Minimum Unincorporated County Patrol Personnel Funding

The Board of Supervisors shall allocate a minimum amount of funding in its annual budget to fund County Patrol Personnel's direct salary and benefit costs for operations in the unincorporated area of the County. .

This minimum amount shall be the average of actual Patrol Personnel salary and benefit costs in the unincorporated area of the County in the three (3) preceding fiscal years. Minimum amounts shall exclude all Patrol Personnel salary and benefit costs associated with cities that contract with the County for law enforcement services and shall also exclude any funding received for Patrol Personnel salary and benefit costs that is designated as "one-time" funding (as opposed to "ongoing" funding).

The Board of Supervisors may annually suspend the minimum funding budget requirement of this section for up to twelve (12) months by resolution approved by a four-fifths (4/5) majority of the entire Board which includes a declaration of a fiscal emergency.

Should the Board of Supervisors approve a resolution that includes a declaration of a fiscal emergency, the up to 12-month suspension period shall not be included in the three-year average, unless in a separate vote all five members of the Board of Supervisors vote unanimously to include the up to 12-month suspension period in the three year average.

If the up to 12-month suspension period is not included, the three-year average will be based on the most recent three years with no declared fiscal emergency.

Section 803. Accountability and Transparency

The Sheriff of San Bernardino County shall publish an annual report detailing:

- (i) The total number of calls for service in the unincorporated area and deputy reports issued for the two (2) prior fiscal years.
- (ii) The current and two (2) prior fiscal years' adopted unincorporated Patrol Personnel salary and benefit budgets approved by the Board of Supervisors.
- (iii) The calculated minimum allocation for the current fiscal year's unincorporated Patrol Personnel budget. The calculation will include all components detailed under Section 802, Minimum Unincorporated County Patrol Personnel Funding. .

The annual report shall be made available to the public and published on the County's official website in December of each year.

Section III. Effective Date

- A. To the extent permitted by law, these Charter Amendments and their various provisions shall be effective upon voter approval of this ballot measure as provided by California law.
- B. On the effective date of this measure as provided by California law (the "Effective Date"), all provisions of this amendment are inserted into and become part of the San Bernardino County Charter.
- C. No provision of the San Bernardino County Code of Ordinances that is inconsistent with this ballot measure shall be enforced after the Effective Date.
- D. Any resident of the County shall have the right to file a lawsuit to compel the Board of Supervisors to comply with the provisions of this measure.

Section IV. Severability

If any word or words of this measure, or its application to any situation, are held invalid or unenforceable, in a final judgment that is no longer subject to rehearing, review, or appeal by a court of competent jurisdiction, then that word or those words are severed and the remaining part of this measure, and the application of any part of this measure to other situations, shall continue in full force and effect. We, the people of San Bernardino County, declare that we would have adopted this measure, and each word in it, irrespective of the fact that any other condition, word, or application to any situation, be held invalid. We, the people of San Bernardino County, further declare that we would have adopted the provisions regarding minimum unincorporated County Patrol Personnel funding, compensation for the County Sheriff, District Attorney and other elective County officers, and the annual accountability and transparency reporting by the County Sheriff, whether presented together or separately, and irrespective of the fact that any of those provisions are held invalid.

**MEASURE M
CITY OF GRAND TERRACE**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE M

This Impartial Analysis of Measure M has been prepared by the City Attorney pursuant to Section 9280 of the California Elections Code.

The Grand Terrace City Council voted to place the "Grand Terrace General Services Measure" ("Measure") on the November 5, 2024 general municipal election ballot. The Measure, if adopted, will add a new Chapter 3.32 to the City of Grand Terrace's Municipal Code, establishing a one percent (1.00%) transactions and use tax (commonly known as a "sales tax") for City general fund purposes.

State law allows certain entities, including municipalities, to increase sales taxes, if approved by the voters. If approved, the Measure imposes a 1.00% tax upon retailers' gross receipts from the retail sale of most tangible personal property sold within the City. The Measure also imposes an excise tax upon the storage, use or consumption of the most tangible personal property purchased from any retailer for storage, use or other consumption in the City at a rate of 1.00% of the sales price of the property, where "sales price" includes delivery charges when such charges are subject to state sales or use tax, regardless of the place to which delivery is made.

It is estimated that this tax will generate approximately \$1,000,000 annually in revenue. Funds generated would be unrestricted and be placed in City's general fund and may be used for any City general fund purposes, such as the following:

- Law enforcement services,
- Responding to non-emergency calls for service,
- Funding general public services provided by the City.

Food purchased as groceries and prescription medication will not be taxed under the Measure. Visitors to Grand Terrace will bear part of the tax burden imposed by their local activities and thus contribute to the City's ability to maintain general public services they use while visiting. Residents and other purchasers of goods in the City will also be subject to the tax. The specific retail sales and uses subject to the tax would be determined under California Department of Tax and Fee Administration ("CDTFA") regulations and the CDTFA would administer the tax under contract with the City of Grand Terrace.

While the ordinance permits future amendments by the City Council, any tax increase must be approved by voters. A "YES" vote is a vote to approve a 1.00% transactions and use general tax. A "NO" vote is a vote against a 1.00% transactions and use general tax. The transactions and use tax proposed by the Measure would take effect only if it receives a majority "YES" vote at the November 5, 2024, general municipal election.

The above statement is an impartial analysis of the Measure. If you desire a copy of the ordinance or measure, please call the Grand Terrace City Clerk's Office at (909) 954-5207 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.

Dated:

s/ Adrian R. Guerra, City Attorney
City of Grand Terrace

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE M

This Argument in Favor of Measure M was submitted pursuant to Section 9282 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

Vote Yes on M to improve 911 emergency response times, protect Grand Terrace's quality of life, secure economic stability, and ensure our city remains safe and thriving.

Grand Terrace faces increasing challenges due to unfunded State mandates and Sacramento's soft on crime policies. Despite these obstacles, our city has remained fiscally responsible, adopting balanced budgets, reducing costs, and delaying necessary investments. However, there's no more room for cuts without jeopardizing critical community services and public safety.

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Measure M is our solution to enhance law enforcement services, improving public safety and emergency response times essential for protecting our property values.

Here's what Measure M will do:

- **Enhance Police and Emergency Response:** Strengthen law enforcement to respond faster in emergencies.
- **Combat Theft and Improve Neighborhood Safety:** Increase patrols and crime prevention programs to reduce theft and ensure safer neighborhoods.
- **Address Homelessness and Retail Theft:** Provide resources to tackle homelessness and curb retail theft, enhancing overall community safety.

Best of all, Measure M ensures out-of-town visitors pay their share when they are in our community and those tax dollars will help keep our Grand Terrace safe.

Measure M is designed with fiscal accountability and transparency in mind and is subject to annual audits. Importantly, 100% of Measure M funds remain in Grand Terrace and cannot be taken by the state.

Groceries, prescription medicine, labor and professional services would be exempt from Measure M.

Please join emergency responders, businesses, faith leaders and your neighbors - **Vote YES on M to keep Grand Terrace neighborhoods safe** and keep our city strong for generations to come.

s/ Johan M Gallo, Resident

s/ Edward A. Giroux, Retired Sergeant Law Enforcement

s/ Kellie V. Bruhl, Retired / Resident

s/ Vicki Doyle, Retired / Resident

s/ Shannon Dicus, Sheriff

FULL TEXT FOR MEASURE M

ORDINANCE NO. 353

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRAND TERRACE, CALIFORNIA, FUNDING CITY OF GRAND TERRACE GENERAL SERVICES BY IMPOSING A 1.00% TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TAX AND FEE ADMINISTRATION

WHEREAS, Article XIII C, Section 2 of the California Constitution authorizes a city to impose a general tax if approved by a majority vote of the qualified electors; and

WHEREAS, Article XIII C, Section 2, of the California Constitution requires that the election at which a general tax increase is submitted to the electorate shall be consolidated with a regularly scheduled general election for members of the governing body of the local government, except in cases of emergency declared by a unanimous vote of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, Part 1.6 (commencing with Section 7251) of Division 2 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code, and Section 7285.9 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code, authorizes a city to adopt a transactions and use (sales) tax ordinance, which shall be operative if a majority of the electors voting on the measure vote to approve the imposition of the tax at an election called for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, the City assembled an Ad Hoc Citizens Committee for Enhanced Law Enforcement Services to explore funding for additional law enforcement services; and

WHEREAS, the Ad Hoc Citizens Committee found a need to fund increased law enforcement services based on the City's increase in population, call volume, traffic, non-emergency response time; heavy reliance on mutual aid; and higher than average ratio of calls to deputies and deputies to population; and

WHEREAS, to preserve and fund vital general City services, including those items discussed herein, the City must identify a reliable source of locally controlled funding; and

WHEREAS, therefore, this Ordinance could maintain vital funding for vital City services and help implement the needs and plans of the City by establishing a general tax in which the proceeds will be deposited in the City's General Fund for general government use; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance would create a locally-controlled funding source that can only be used for local services and address local priorities, which is legally-protected from being taken by the State; and

WHEREAS, on May 28, 2024, the City Council of the City of Grand Terrace adopted Resolution No. 2024-11, submitting the GRAND TERRACE GENERAL SERVICES MEASURE ("Transactions and Use Tax Measure") to the voters at the General Municipal Election to be held in the City of Grand Terrace on November 5, 2024 ("General Municipal Election"), which, if approved, would establish a transactions and use (sales) tax at the rate of 1.00%; and

WHEREAS, as part of Resolution No. 2024-11, on May 28, 2024, the City Council also approved this Ordinance, pursuant to Revenue & Taxation Code Section 7285.9, subject to the City voters' approval; and

WHEREAS, the General Municipal Election was also a regularly scheduled general election for members of the Grand Terrace City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND TERRACE DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Recitals set forth above are incorporated herein by this reference.

SECTION 2. ADOPTION OF NEW CHAPTER. A new Chapter 3.32 is hereby added to the Grand Terrace Municipal Code to read as follows:

"Chapter 3.32
TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX

3.32.010 Title.

This ordinance shall be known as the "City of Grand Terrace Transactions and Use Tax Ordinance. The City of Grand Terrace hereinafter shall be called "City." This ordinance shall be applicable in the incorporated territory of the City.

3.32.020 Operative Date.

"Operative Date" means the first day of the first calendar quarter commencing more than 110 days after the adoption of this ordinance, the date of such adoption being as set forth below.

3.32.030 Purpose.

This ordinance is adopted to achieve the following, among other purposes, and directs that the provisions hereof be interpreted in order to accomplish those purposes:

A. To impose a retail transactions and use tax in accordance with the provisions of Part 1.6 (commencing with Section 7251) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code and Section 7285.9 of Part 1.7 of Division 2 which authorizes the City to adopt this tax ordinance which shall be operative if a majority of the electors voting on the measure vote to approve the imposition of the tax at an election called for that purpose.

B. To adopt a retail transactions and use tax ordinance that incorporates provisions identical to those of the Sales and Use Tax Law of the State of California insofar as those provisions are not inconsistent with the requirements and limitations contained in Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

C. To adopt a retail transactions and use tax ordinance that imposes a tax and provides a measure therefore that can be administered and collected by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration in a manner that adapts itself as fully as practicable to, and requires the least possible deviation from, the existing statutory and administrative procedures followed by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration in administering and collecting the California State Sales and Use Taxes.

D. To adopt a retail transactions and use tax ordinance that can be administered in a manner that will be, to the greatest degree possible, consistent with the provisions of Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, minimize the cost of collecting the transactions and use taxes, and at the same time, minimize the burden of record keeping upon persons subject to taxation under the provisions of this ordinance.

3.32.040 Contract with State.

Prior to the operative date, the City shall contract with the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration to perform all functions incident to the administration and operation of this transactions and use tax ordinance; provided, that if the City shall not have contracted with the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration prior to the operative date, it shall nevertheless so contract and in such a case the operative date shall be the first day of the first calendar quarter following the execution of such a contract.

3.32.050 Transactions Tax Rate.

For the privilege of selling tangible personal property at retail, a tax is hereby imposed upon all retailers in the incorporated territory of the City at the rate of 1.00% of the gross receipts of any retailer from the sale of all tangible personal property sold at retail in said territory on and after the operative date of this ordinance.

3.32.060 Place of Sale.

For the purposes of this ordinance, all retail sales are consummated at the place of business of the retailer unless the tangible personal property sold is delivered by the retailer or his agent to an out-of-state destination or to a common carrier for delivery to an out-of-state destination. The gross receipts from such sales shall include delivery charges, when such charges are subject to the state sales and use tax, regardless of the place to which delivery is made. In the event a retailer has no permanent place of business in the State or has more than one place of business, the place or places at which the retail sales are consummated shall be determined under rules and regulations to be prescribed and adopted by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration.

3.32.070 Use Tax Rate.

An excise tax is hereby imposed on the storage, use or other consumption in the City of tangible personal property purchased from any retailer on and after the operative date of this ordinance for storage, use or other consumption in said territory at the rate of 1.00% of the sales price of the property. The sales price shall include delivery charges when such charges are subject to state sales or use tax regardless of the place to which delivery is made.

3.32.080 Adoption of Provisions of State Law.

Except as otherwise provided in this ordinance and except insofar as they are inconsistent with the provisions of Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, all of the provisions of Part 1 (commencing with Section 6001) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code are hereby adopted and made a part of this ordinance as though fully set forth herein.

3.32.090 Limitations on Adoption of State Law and Collection of Use Taxes.

In adopting the provisions of Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code:

A. Wherever the State of California is named or referred to as the taxing agency, the name of this City shall be substituted therefor. However, the substitution shall not be made when:

1. The word "State" is used as a part of the title of the State Controller, State Treasurer, State Treasury, or the Constitution of the State of California;

2. The result of that substitution would require action to be taken by or against this City or any agency, officer, or employee thereof rather than by or against the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration, in performing the functions incident to the administration or operation of this Ordinance.

3. In those sections, including, but not necessarily limited to sections referring to the exterior boundaries of the State of California, where the result of the substitution would be to:

a. Provide an exemption from this tax with respect to certain sales, storage, use or other consumption of tangible personal property which would not otherwise be exempt from this tax while such sales, storage, use or other consumption remain subject to tax by the State under the provisions of Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, or;

b. Impose this tax with respect to certain sales, storage, use or other consumption of tangible personal property which would not be subject to tax by the state under the said provision of that code.

4. In Sections 6701, 6702 (except in the last sentence thereof), 6711, 6715, 6737, 6797 or 6828 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

B. The word "City" shall be substituted for the word "State" in the phrase "retailer engaged in business in this State" in Section 6203 and in the definition of that phrase in Section 6203.

1. "A retailer engaged in business in the District" shall also include any retailer that, in the preceding calendar year or the current calendar year, has total combined sales of tangible personal property in this state or for delivery in the State by the retailer and all persons related to the retailer that exceeds five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000). For purposes of this section, a person is related to another person if both persons are related to each other pursuant to Section 267(b) of Title 26 of the United States Code and the regulations thereunder.

3.32.100 Permit Not Required.

If a seller's permit has been issued to a retailer under Section 6067 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, an additional transactor's permit shall not be required by this ordinance.

3.32.110 Exemptions and Exclusions.

A. There shall be excluded from the measure of the transactions tax and the use tax the amount of any sales tax or use tax imposed by the State of California or by any city, city and county, or county pursuant to the Bradley-Burns Uniform Local Sales and Use Tax Law or the amount of any state-administered transactions or use tax.

B. There are exempted from the computation of the amount of transactions tax the gross receipts from:

1. Sales of tangible personal property, other than fuel or petroleum products, to operators of aircraft to be used or consumed principally outside the county in which the sale is made and directly and exclusively in the use of such aircraft as common carriers of persons or property under the authority of the laws of this State, the United States, or any foreign government.

2. Sales of property to be used outside the City which is shipped to a point outside the City, pursuant to the contract of sale, by delivery to such point by the retailer or his agent, or by delivery by the retailer to a carrier for shipment to a consignee at such point. For the purposes of this paragraph, delivery to a point outside the City shall be satisfied:

a. With respect to vehicles (other than commercial vehicles) subject to registration pursuant to Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 4000) of Division 3 of the Vehicle Code, aircraft licensed in compliance with Section 21411 of the Public Utilities Code, and undocumented vessels registered under Division 3.5 (commencing with Section 9840) of the Vehicle Code by registration to an out-of-City address and by a declaration under penalty of perjury, signed by the buyer, stating that such address is, in fact, his or her principal place of residence; and

b. With respect to commercial vehicles, by registration to a place of business out-of-City and declaration under penalty of perjury, signed by the buyer, that the vehicle will be operated from that address.

3. The sale of tangible personal property if the seller is obligated to furnish the property for a fixed price pursuant to a contract entered into prior to the operative date of this ordinance.

4. A lease of tangible personal property which is a continuing sale of such property, for any period of time for which the lessor is obligated to lease the property for an amount fixed by the lease prior to the operative date of this ordinance.

5. For the purposes of subparagraphs (3) and (4) of this section, the sale or lease of tangible personal property shall be deemed not to be obligated pursuant to a contract or lease for any period of time for which any party to the contract or lease has the unconditional right to terminate the contract or lease upon notice, whether or not such right is exercised.

C. There are exempted from the use tax imposed by this ordinance, the storage, use or other consumption in this City of tangible personal property:

1. The gross receipts from the sale of which have been subject to a transactions tax under any state-administered transactions and use tax ordinance.

2. Other than fuel or petroleum products purchased by operators of aircraft and used or consumed by such operators directly and exclusively in the use of such aircraft as common carriers of persons or property for hire or compensation under a certificate of public convenience and necessity issued pursuant to the laws of this State, the United States, or any foreign government. This exemption is in addition to the exemptions provided in Sections 6366 and 6366.1 of the Revenue and Taxation Code of the State of California.

3. If the purchaser is obligated to purchase the property for a fixed price pursuant to a contract entered into prior to the operative date of this ordinance.

4. If the possession of, or the exercise of any right or power over, the tangible personal property arises under a lease which is a continuing purchase of such property for any period of time for which the lessee is obligated to lease the property for an amount fixed by a lease prior to the operative date of this ordinance.

5. For the purposes of subparagraphs (3) and (4) of this section, storage, use, or other consumption, or possession of, or exercise of any right or power over, tangible personal property shall be deemed not to be obligated pursuant to a contract or lease for any period of time for which any party to the contract or lease has the unconditional right to terminate the contract or lease upon notice, whether or not such right is exercised.

6. Except as provided in subparagraph (7), a retailer engaged in business in the City shall not be required to collect use tax from the purchaser of tangible personal property, unless the retailer ships or delivers the property into the City or participates within the City in making the sale of the property, including, but not limited to, soliciting or receiving the order, either directly or indirectly, at a place of business of the retailer in the City or through any representative, agent, canvasser, solicitor, subsidiary, or person in the City under the authority of the retailer.

7. "A retailer engaged in business in the City" shall also include any retailer of any of the following: vehicles subject to registration pursuant to Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 4000) of Division 3 of the Vehicle Code, aircraft licensed in compliance with Section 21411 of the Public Utilities Code, or undocumented vessels registered under Division 3.5 (commencing with Section 9840) of the Vehicle Code. That retailer shall be required to collect use tax from any purchaser who registers or licenses the vehicle, vessel, or aircraft at an address in the City.

D. Any person subject to use tax under this ordinance may credit against that tax any transactions tax or reimbursement for transactions tax paid to a district imposing, or retailer liable for a transactions tax pursuant to Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code with respect to the sale to the person of the property the storage, use or other consumption of which is subject to the use tax.

3.32.120 Amendments.

All amendments subsequent to the effective date of this ordinance to Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code relating to sales and use taxes and which are not inconsistent with Part 1.6 and Part 1.7 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, and all amendments to Part 1.6 and Part 1.7 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, shall automatically become a part of this ordinance, provided however, that no such amendment shall operate so as to affect the rate of tax imposed by this ordinance.

3.32.130 Enjoining Collection Forbidden.

No injunction or writ of mandate or other legal or equitable process shall issue in any suit, action or proceeding in any court against the State or the City, or against any officer of the State or the City, to prevent or enjoin the collection under this ordinance, or Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, of any tax or any amount of tax required to be collected.

3.32.150 Severability.

If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

3.32.160 Council Authority to Amend.

Pursuant to Elections Code Section 9217, the City Council shall have and retain the right and authority to amend this ordinance to further its purposes and intent (including but not limited to amendment for more efficient administration as determined by the City Council) in any manner that does not increase a tax rate, or otherwise constitute a tax increase for which voter approval is required by Article XIII C of the California Constitution.

3.32.170 Effective Date.

This chapter relating to the levying and collecting of the City transactions and use tax shall be effective ten (10) days after the date on which the City Council has declared that the voters of the City of Grand Terrace have approved the ordinance by a vote of no less than a majority of the votes cast by the electors voting on the tax measure set forth in this chapter at that general municipal election to be held on November 5, 2024.

3.32.180 Termination Date.

The authority to levy the tax imposed by this ordinance shall continue until the ordinance codified in this chapter is repealed by the majority vote of qualified electors."

SECTION 3. COUNCIL AUTHORITY TO AMEND. This is a City Council-sponsored initiative Ordinance which otherwise would only be subject to amendment by the voters of the City. However, pursuant to Elections Code Section 9217, the City Council shall have and retain the right and authority to amend the Ordinance to further its purposes and intent (including but not limited to amendment for more efficient administration as determined by the City Council) in any manner that does not increase a tax rate, or otherwise constitute a tax increase for which voter approval is required by Article XIII C of the California Constitution.

SECTION 4. CEQA. The adoption of this Ordinance is not a "project" subject to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code Section §§ 21000 *et seq.*). CEQA Guideline § 15378(b)(4) provides that the creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities that do not involve any commitment to a specific project that may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment are not projects subject to the requirements of CEQA.

SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY. If any section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or place, is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this ordinance, and each and every section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, subdivisions, sentences, clauses, phrases, or portions thereof be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 6. APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT. Pursuant to Article XIII B of the California Constitution, the appropriations limit for the City of Grand Terrace is increased to the maximum extent over the maximum period of time allowed under the law consistent with the revenues generated by this tax.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. If a majority of the voters of the City of Grand Terrace voting at the General Municipal Election of November 5, 2024, vote in favor of this Ordinance, then this Ordinance shall become a valid and binding ordinance of the City of Grand Terrace, and shall be considered as adopted upon the date that the vote is declared by the City Council, and this Ordinance shall go into effect ten (10) days after that date, pursuant to Election Code section 9217.

**MEASURE N
CITY OF UPLAND**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE N

This Impartial Analysis of Measure N has been prepared by the City Attorney pursuant to Section 9280 of the California Elections Code.

On August 9, 2024, the City Council voted to place Measure "N" on the November 5, 2024 General Municipal Election ballot. By placing Measure "N" on the ballot, the City complies with Article XIII C of the California Constitution (Proposition 218), which requires a majority of the voters to approve an ordinance which establishes a general tax.

If approved by a majority of Upland voters, this Measure would authorize a one percent (1%) retail transactions and use (sales) tax within the City of Upland. A 1% rate equates to an extra \$1.00 per \$100 purchased. It is estimated that Measure "N" will provide an additional \$20,000,000 in annual local funding which could be used for general City services such as the improvement and maintenance of infrastructure and provision of public safety services. This tax would be a "general tax," meaning that revenues raised from the tax would go into the City's general fund to pay for any lawful City program, improvement, or service.

California Revenue and Taxation Code section 7285.9 authorizes the City to levy a general transactions and use/sales tax at a rate of one percent (1%) so long as the tax is approved by a majority of the voters voting in an election on that issue. If approved, the tax would remain in effect until ended by Upland voters voting at a subsequent election.

The tax would be paid in addition to current sales taxes and would be collected at the same time and in the same manner as existing sales taxes. All revenues raised by the tax would remain in the City and would not be shared with the State, County or any other agency.

A "yes" vote on Measure "N" will authorize the 1% transactions and use (sales) tax.

A "no" vote on Measure "N" will not authorize the 1% transactions and use (sales) tax.

If Measure "N" is not approved, the General Fund will not receive the sales tax revenues identified in the Measure. The City Council will then have to decide, as part of the budgeting process, whether other revenues are available to pay for City programs and services, or whether City programs and services will have to be reduced.

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure "N". If you desire a copy of the Measure, please call the City's elections official at (909) 931-4120 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.

s/ STEPHEN P. DEITSCH
City Attorney

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE N

This Argument in Favor of Measure N was submitted pursuant to Section 9282 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

PAVE STREETS NOW AND KEEP UPLAND SAFE!

Vote Yes on Measure N so that every penny generated stays in Upland, directly benefiting our community by filling potholes, paving our streets now, and investing in public safety.

Yes on Measure N will provide the funds needed to fix our streets, making them smooth and safe. We deserve streets free of potholes, and **Yes on N** will make that happen.

Yes on Measure N will provide funds to protect us, especially growing threats from outside Upland, by funding gang and crime prevention, which is a top priority.

Yes on Measure N ensures Upland first responders have the resources needed to protect our neighborhoods, respond quickly to 9-1-1 emergencies, and keep Upland residents safe.

Yes on Measure N mandates citizen oversight, full audits and requires every dollar is spent and accounted for in Upland, directly benefitting our community. By law, these funds cannot be taken by the State or County and can only be used to improve Upland.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR – Continued on next page

Yes on Measure N is supported by local businesses because it reinvests in our economy and supports jobs. Residents from neighboring cities who shop in Upland will also contribute their fair share of maintaining our streets and public safety services.

Upland has overcome challenges and is now recognized as a Best Managed City for our innovative, fiscally responsible approach. To continue this progress, Vote **Yes on Measure N** to secure needed funding for our future.

Pave Streets Now and Keep Upland Safe! Join Upland Public Safety, Local Business and Neighborhood Leaders in voting **YES on Measure N!**

- s/ Amy Valdivia, Chairman of the Board, Upland Chamber of Commerce
- s/ Gary Hester, Vice President, Upland Police Foundation
- s/ Jennifer Morris, Upland Resident/School Principal
- s/ Linda Trawnik, President, Historic Downtown Upland Inc.
- s/ David Bonanno, Upland Resident/Firefighter

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE N

This Rebuttal to Argument in Favor of Measure N was submitted pursuant to Section 9285 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

Residents struggling to pay their bills cannot afford an inflationary city-imposed sales tax. VOTE NO ON N!

This sales tax increase has little to do with fixing streets. In reality, this tax is about paying for ever increasing salaries, benefits and exorbitant pensions!

City Council recently doubled their own pay, gave themselves health insurance, retirement plans and employees' generous raises.

City Council now wants YOU hard working families and seniors on fixed incomes to pay for all of this. Untrustworthy politicians take care of themselves and special interests, NOT YOU! VOTE NO ON N!

What an UNTRUSTWORTHY City Council is NOT telling YOU, is the cost of salaries, benefits and exorbitant pensions is nearly consuming 80% of all revenue collected from residents. CalPERS California Pension Retirement Program allows employees to retire with up to 100% of their final year's salary. VOTE NO ON N!

In 2022, according to Transparent California website, the total compensation of the following:

- *Chief of Police was \$450,839
- *City Manager was \$393,057
- *Assistant City Manager was \$344,289
- *Police Captain was \$368,944
- *City Clerk was \$190,909

The United States President's salary is \$400,000. A One Star Army General's top salary is \$190,740. The average California Social Security recipient in 2022 was ONLY \$20,040 annually.

At a recent City Council meeting, Mayor Velto said residents do not trust the City Council. He is correct. VOTE NO on N!

Do not be fooled by UNTRUSTWORTHY City Council and Measure N proponents DECEPTIVE RHETORIC!

VOTE NO on Measure N!

- s/ Glenn Bozar, Former City Councilmember
- s/ Lois Sicking Dieter, 35-year Resident

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE N

This Argument Against Measure N was submitted pursuant to Section 9282 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

With record high food and gasoline prices, hardworking families and senior citizens living on fixed incomes cannot afford a City-imposed sales tax increase. Residents struggle to make ends meet to pay their bills.

Yet a tone-deaf City Council approved the sales tax increase ballot initiative.

A Federal Reserve Bank President recently said while inflation is down prices are still high and thinks consumers have gotten to the point where they are NOT just accepting it. Now is not the time to raise taxes. VOTE NO!

The Police Department's budget over the years has increased staffing from 104 ten years ago to now 124 EXCLUDING animal control staff. The overwhelming majority of 911 emergency calls are for medical assistance handled by AMR Ambulance Service and the County Fire Department – not the Upland Police Department.

Over the last 24 years the City has been through various budget shortfalls and budget cuts. During that time, resident-driven financial workout plans and workshops forced City Councils that represent you to take actions to improve operating efficiencies and reduce costs. Outsourcing the Fire Department to the County worked well. The City has remained solvent and will continue to do so without new taxes. VOTE NO!

Residents are struggling to pay their monthly bills after record high inflation, high gas prices, insurance rates, costly groceries, increased electricity costs, increased water rates, trash rates, and economic uncertainty.

At a recent City Council meeting, Mayor Velto said residents do not trust the City Council. He is correct. VOTE NO! The City Manager said residents rejected the sales tax increase two years ago and is not sure this community is ready to pass a sales tax measure now. He is correct! VOTE NO!

Now is not the time to increase sales taxes. VOTE NO on Measure N!

s/ Glenn Bozar, Former City Councilmember

s/ Lois Sicking Dieter, 35-year Resident

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE N

This Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure N was submitted pursuant to Section 9285 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

The argument against Measure N is full of misleading claims and ignores the realities facing Upland. Let's cut through the nonsense:

1. **Crime Won't Wait:** Crime is rising, and underfunding our police is reckless. Measure N ensures our police and first responders can protect us from crime coming in from other regions. Voting No is a vote for more crime.
2. **Repair Our Streets Now:** Upland's streets are crumbling, and the opposition wants to ignore it. Measure N provides the necessary funds to repair our streets before they get worse and more expensive.
3. **Economic reality:** Opponents point out that the city has remained solvent by cutting services. That's why street repairs have fallen far behind. Voting YES on Measure N helps provide funding to protect public safety and infrastructure from additional cuts.
4. **Cost excuses:** Inflation is real, but ignoring our city's needs will cost more in the long run. Voting YES on Measure N shares the burden with out-of-town shoppers, making it a fair solution.
5. **Keep Funds in Upland:** Voting YES on Measure N ensures every dollar stays in Upland and guarantees our money is spent responsibly with annual audits. Neither the State, County, nor Washington DC can take Measure N funds. Every dollar must be spent in Upland for Upland.

Bottom Line: Opponents of Measure N have no solutions. They want to cut more services while ignoring our community's needs. It's irresponsible.

Protect Public Safety and Repair Our Streets NOW – **Vote YES on Measure N.**

s/ Amy Valdivia, Chairman of the Board, Upland Chamber of Commerce

s/ Gary Hester, Vice-President, Upland Police Foundation

s/ Jennifer Morris, Upland Resident/School Principal

s/ Linda Trawnik, President, Historic Downtown Upland Inc.

s/ David Bonanno, Upland Resident/Firefighter

**MEASURE O
CITY OF NEEDLES**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE O

This Impartial Analysis of Measure O has been prepared by the City Attorney pursuant to Section 9280 of the California Elections Code.

Measure O, if approved by a majority of voters, will enact an alternative tax that the City Council may impose on persons actively engaged in the business of Cannabis Cultivation in the City, at a monthly rate of up to \$1.75 per square foot of Cannabis Cultivation Area or fraction thereof. Starting January 1 of the first full year after such tax is implemented by the City Council, and on each January 1, thereafter, the maximum monthly tax rate above shall increase by the percentage increase in CPI, but in no case more than 5% or less than 2%.

During the time the alternative tax is imposed by Council, the enforcement of the percentage-based Marijuana Business Tax (Measure S, 2012) shall be suspended as to Cannabis Cultivation, only. This tax will be in addition to any current business tax imposed on businesses in the City, and nothing therein prevents or otherwise suspends the enforcement of the Marijuana Business Tax as to any other Cannabis Business types in the City.

This tax will not take effect until the City Council, by ordinance, sets the rate of the tax, which cannot exceed a monthly tax rate of up to \$1.75 per square foot of Cannabis Cultivation Area or fraction thereof, plus the CPI adjustment. The City Council may, at any time, set a lower tax rate for Cannabis Cultivation Facilities or establish differing tax rates for different categories of Cultivation Facilities, subject to the maximum monthly rates set forth above. The City Council may also increase the tax rate from time to time, provided the rate set does not exceed the maximum rate set forth above.

The revenues from the tax imposed by Measure O will be deposited in the general fund and will be subject to the annual audit performed by the City's independent auditor which is reported in the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

A "yes" vote is a vote to permit the City Council to impose, by ordinance, an alternative tax on persons actively engaged in the business of Cannabis Cultivation operating in the City based on square footage at a monthly rate of up to \$1.75 per square foot of Cannabis Cultivation Area or fraction thereof, plus the CPI adjustment. A "yes" vote will not impact the City's current Marijuana Business Tax as to other Cannabis Business types.

A "no" vote is a vote not to permit the City Council to impose an alternative tax on Cannabis Cultivation and Cultivation Facilities operating in the City based on square footage. A "no" vote will not impact the City's current Marijuana Business Tax.

Measure O was placed on the ballot by the City Council.

/s/

John O. Pinkney
City Attorney
City of Needles

A copy of the ordinance or measure is included in the voter pamphlet.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE O

This Argument in Favor of Measure O was submitted pursuant to Section 9282 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

In 2012, the voters in the City of Needles approved Measure S. The measure locally legalized cannabis and created a system for it to be taxed at a rate of 10% for the benefit of our residents. The promise was that revenues would be used to enhance public services including repaving roads, providing additional police and fire personnel and improvements to our parks. Since that time, the City has received and invested over \$20 million keeping the promise. Unfortunately, state and federal laws have not kept pace with our local actions and taxing cannabis cultivators based on a percentage of sales is proving challenging to regulate and audit. Measure O provides the opportunity for the City Council to convert the current percentage tax system to a per square foot tax system where all cannabis cultivators will pay a monthly fee based on actual cultivation space.

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If passed, the City Council for the City of Needles will create a working committee of cannabis industry representatives, community leaders and elected officials to discuss converting to a per square foot tax instead of the current percentage tax to make sure that it is done in a fair and equitable manner protecting the cannabis industry, local jobs and the tax revenue that has and will continue to benefit our residents.

Please join me and my colleagues on the City Council in voting YES on Measure O. Help us continue our work to continue to provide a safe community for our children and families.

s/ Janet Jernigan, Mayor, City of Needles

FULL TEXT FOR MEASURE O

ORDINANCE NO. 665-AC

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEEDLES, CALIFORNIA, ADDING ARTICLE IX (CANNABIS CULTIVATION SQUARE FOOT TAX) TO CHAPTER 20, OF THE NEEDLES MUNICIPAL CODE ESTABLISHING AN ALTERNATIVE SQUARE FOOT TAX ON CANNABIS CULTIVATION

WHEREAS, on November 6, 2012, City voters passed Measure S, approving a tax on persons engaged in marijuana business in the City at a rate of up to 10% of gross receipts.

WHEREAS, on December 26, 2012, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 549-AC, setting the rate at 10%, which has been in effect since that time.

WHEREAS, since the adoption of the Marijuana Business Tax, the legal landscape surrounding cannabis and cannabis businesses has changed significantly. The City currently regulates a variety of Cannabis Business types, including retail, cultivation, manufacturing, distribution, transportation, and testing laboratories.

WHEREAS, despite significant revenues that have been generated since the regulation of Cannabis Businesses, the City has expressed concerns that the current gross receipts tax may not be the most appropriate basis for the City's Cannabis Cultivation Facilities, which could lead either to underreporting of revenue and/or costly auditing expenses.

WHEREAS, the City commissioned a fiscal analysis of the current gross-receipts tax rates for Cultivation Facilities in order to develop a new, alternative cannabis tax for Cultivation Facilities that will yield the same level of annual tax revenue, based on square footage.

NOW THEREFORE, THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF NEEDLES, CALIFORNIA DO HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: Chapter 20, Article IX of City of Needles Municipal Code "Cannabis Cultivation Square Foot Tax" is hereby added to read as follows:

Article IX. Cannabis Cultivation Square Foot Tax

Section 20-50.1. Purpose. This Article is enacted solely to raise revenue for general municipal purposes. It is not a sales and use tax, a tax upon income, or a tax upon real property, and shall not be calculated or assessed as such. The tax is a general tax enacted solely for general, governmental purposes of the City and not for specific purposes. All of the proceeds from the tax imposed by this Article shall be placed in the City's general fund and be available for any lawful City purpose.

Section 20-50.2. Intent. The intent of the Article is to implement an alternative tax that the City Council may implement in place of the current percentage based "Marijuana Business Tax" on persons actively engaged in the business of Cannabis Cultivation operating in the City based on square footage. Nothing in this Article shall be interpreted to authorize or permit any business activity that would not otherwise be legal or permissible under laws applicable to activity at the time the activity is undertaken.

Section 20-50.3. Definitions. As applicable, and except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the definitions set forth in Chapter 20, Article VIII of the Code, Sections 20-40.3 – 20.40. 14, and any amendments thereto, are hereby incorporated by reference. The following additional definitions shall apply to this Article.

- (A) "**Cannabis**" has the same definition as used elsewhere in the Code. "Cannabis" also means "Marijuana."
- (B) "**Cannabis Business**" means any Cannabis related activity, including but not limited to, planting, possessing, cultivating, harvesting, transporting, manufacturing, compounding, converting, processing, preparing, storing, packaging, testing, labeling, distributing, delivering, wholesale, and/or retail sales of Cannabis or any Cannabis goods or product, whether or not carried on for gain or profit.
- (C) "**Cannabis Cultivation Area**" means the total aggregate area(s) of Cannabis Cultivation on one or more parcels in the City by a Cannabis Business as measured around the outmost perimeter of each separate and discreet area of Cannabis Cultivation at the dripline of the Canopy expected at maturity and includes, but is not limited to, space between plants within a cultivation area, the exterior dimensions of garden beds, garden plots, hoop houses, green houses, and each room or area where Cannabis plants are grown, as determined by the City Manager. If Cannabis plants are cultivated using a shelving, tiered, or multi-level system, the surface area of each tier, level or shelf shall be included when calculating the Canopy and Cannabis Cultivation Area.
- (D) "**Canopy**" means the designated area(s) at a licensed Cannabis Business that will contain Cannabis plants at any time. As set forth in subsection (C), if Cannabis plants are cultivated using a shelving, tiered, or multi-level system, the surface area of each tier, level or shelf shall be included when calculating the Canopy area. Canopy area shall be expressed in square feet and measured using clearly identifiable boundaries of all areas that will contain Cannabis plants at any time, including the entire area of those boundaries. Canopy may be noncontiguous, but each noncontiguous area within those boundaries shall be defined by an identifiable boundary such as an interior wall.
- (E) "**City**" shall mean the City of Needles.
- (F) "**Code**" shall mean the City of Needles Municipal Code.
- (G) "**Cultivation**" means the planting, growing, harvesting, drying, curing, grading, trimming, and/or processing of one or more Cannabis plants or any part thereof, in any location, indoor or outdoor, including within a Fully Enclosed Structure, as defined.
- (H) "**Cultivation Facility**" shall mean a non-residential fixed and stationary building where Cannabis Cultivation occurs.
- Cultivation Facility does not include Personal Use Cultivation, as defined.
- (I) "**Marijuana Business Tax**" shall mean the tax on persons engaged in marijuana business in the City at a rate of up to 10% of gross receipts as provided for in Chapter 20, Article VIII of the Code, approved by the voters of the City on November 6, 2012.
- (J) "**Personal Use Cultivation**" shall mean cultivation by either:
- (1) An individual Qualified Patient cultivating Cannabis pursuant to H&S Code section 11362.5, *et seq.*, if he/she cultivates Cannabis for his/her personal medical use and does not sell, distribute, donate, transfer, or provide Cannabis to any other person or entity; or
 - (2) A Primary Caregiver cultivating Cannabis pursuant to H&S Code section 11362.5, *et seq.*, if he/she cultivates Cannabis exclusively for the medical use of no more than five (5) specified Qualified Patients for whom he/she is the Primary Caregiver within the meaning of H&S Code section 11362.7, and does not receive remuneration for these activities, except for compensation provided in full compliance with subdivision (c) of H&S Code section 11362.765; or
 - (3) A person 21 years of age or older who, in strict accordance with the City Code, State law and/or regulations, as may be amended from time to time, possesses, plants, cultivates, harvests, dries, or processes not more than six living Cannabis plants and possess the Cannabis produced by those plants, and those living plants are planted, cultivated, harvested, dried or processed within a single private residence, or upon the grounds of a private residence within a Fully Enclosed Structure, are in a locked space, and are not visible by normal unaided vision from a public place.

Section 20-50.4. Alternative Square Foot Tax.

- (A) Maximum Monthly Tax Rate. In lieu of the payment of the Marijuana Business Tax set forth in Section 20.40.20 of the Code, the City Council may, by ordinance, impose on persons actively engaged in the business of Cannabis Cultivation in the City, a monthly tax of up to \$1.75 per square foot of Cannabis Cultivation Area or fraction thereof.

The tax shall not be applicable to Personal Use Cultivation, nor shall it apply to any Cannabis Business not actively engaged in Cannabis Cultivation.

- (B) CPI Adjustment. The tax rate specified above in Section (A) shall be adjusted annually by the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index ("CPI") as published by the United States Government Bureau of Labor Statistics for Consumers in the Western Consumer Price Index Area West Region Size Class B/C, but in no case more than 5% or less than 2%, starting January 1 of the first full year after such tax is implemented by the City Council as provided for herein, and on each January 1, thereafter. No CPI adjustment resulting in a decrease of any tax imposed by this subsection shall be made.

- (C) Council Imposition of Tax. The Cannabis Square Foot Tax shall not be imposed on any Cultivation Facilities unless and until the City Council, by ordinance, takes action to set the rate, not to exceed the amounts in this Section.

Section 20.50.5. Suspension of Marijuana Business Tax as to Cannabis Cultivation Only. During the time this Square Foot Tax is imposed by Council approved ordinance, the enforcement of the percentage-based Marijuana Business Tax shall be suspended as to Cannabis Cultivation, only. Nothing herein prevents or otherwise suspends the enforcement of the Marijuana Business Tax as to any other Cannabis Business in the City.

Section. 20-50.6. Other Licenses, Permits, Taxes, Fees or Charges. Except as expressly suspended by this Article, nothing contained herein shall be deemed to repeal, amend, be in lieu of, replace or in any way affect any requirements for any license or permit required by, under or by virtue of any provision of any other Title or Chapter of this Code or any other ordinance or resolution of the city or of its Council, nor be deemed to repeal, amend, be in lieu of, replace or in any way affect any tax, fee or other charge imposed, assessed or required by, under or by virtue of any other Title or Chapter of this Code including, but not limited to, the business tax imposed by and the requirements set forth in Chapter 20, or any other ordinance or resolution of the City or of its Council. Any references made or contained in any other Title or Chapter of this Code to any licenses, license taxes, fees or charges, or to any schedule of license fees, shall be deemed to refer to the licenses, license taxes, fees or charges, or schedule of license fees, provided for in other Titles or Chapter of this Code.

Section 20-50.7. Payment of Tax Does Not Authorize Unlawful Business.

- (A) The payment of the tax required by this Article, and its acceptance by the City, shall not entitle any person to carry on a Cannabis Business unless the person has complied with all of the requirements of this Code, and all other applicable laws, nor to carry on any Cannabis Business in any building or on any premises in the event that such building or premises are situated in a zone or locality in which the conduct of such Cannabis Business is in violation of any law.
- (B) No tax paid under the provisions of this Article shall be construed as authorizing the conduct or continuance of any illegal or unlawful business, or any business in violation of any ordinance of the City.

Section 20-50.8. Other Requirements. The requirements found in Section 20-40.19, and 20-40.21 through 20-40.32, 20-40.37 through 20-40.43 of the City Code are hereby incorporated by reference.

SECTION 2. The City Council finds that the actions contemplated by this Ordinance are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Section 15060(c)(2) (the activity will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment) and 15060(c)(3) (the activity is not a "project" as defined in Section 15378) of the CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, because it has no potential for resulting in a physical change to the environment, directly or indirectly.

SECTION 3. If any provision, section, paragraph, sentence, or word of this Ordinance is rendered or declared to be invalid or unconstitutional by any final court action in a court of competent jurisdiction, or by reason of any preemptive legislation, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions, sections, paragraphs, sentences or words of this Ordinance, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are severable. The voters of the City of Needles declare that they would have adopted this Ordinance irrespective of the invalidity of any particular portion thereof and intend that the invalid portions should be severed and the balance of the Ordinance enforced.

SECTION 4. Chapter 20, Article IX of the Needles Municipal Code may be amended by the City Council of the City of Needles without a vote of the people. However, as required by Article XIII C of the California Constitution, voter approval is required for any amendment that would increase the rate of any tax levied pursuant to this Ordinance. The people of the City of Needles affirm that the following actions shall not constitute an increase in the rate of the tax:

- (1) The restoration of the rate of the tax to a rate that is no higher than that set by this Ordinance, if the City Council has acted to reduce the rate of or suspend collection of all or a portion of the tax;
- (2) An action that interprets or clarifies the methodology of the tax, or any definition applicable to the tax, as long as the interpretation or clarification (even if contrary to some prior interpretation or clarification) is not inconsistent with the language of this Ordinance;
- (3) The establishment of a class of Person that is exempt or excepted from the tax or the discontinuation of any such exemption or exception (other than the discontinuation of an exemption or exception specifically set forth in this Ordinance); and
- (4) The collection of the tax imposed by this Ordinance, even if the City had, for some prior period of time, failed to collect the tax.

SECTION 5. If adopted by the voters at the November 5, 2024, election, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect ten (10) days after the vote is declared valid by the legislative body, pursuant to Elections Code section 9217 and as provided by law.

SECTION 6. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance and cause it, or a summary thereof, to be published once in a newspaper of general circulation printed and published within the city of Needles, and shall post a certified copy of this Ordinance, including the vote for and against the same, in the Office of the City Clerk in accordance with Government Code section 36933.

**MEASURE P
TOWN OF APPLE VALLEY**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE P

This Impartial Analysis of Measure P has been prepared by the Town Attorney pursuant to Section 9280 of the California Elections Code.

On July 23, 2024, the Town Council unanimously voted to place Measure "P" on the November 5, 2024 general municipal election ballot. By placing Measure "P" on the ballot, the Town complies with Article XIII C of the California Constitution (Proposition 218), which requires a majority of the voters to approve an ordinance that establishes a general tax.

If approved by a majority of Apple Valley voters, this Measure would authorize a one percent (1%) retail transactions and use (sales) tax within the Town of Apple Valley. A one percent (1%) rate equates to an extra \$1 per \$100 purchased. It is estimated that Measure "P" will provide an additional \$9,000,000 in annual local funding that could be used for maintaining general Town services such as law enforcement; street, pothole and sidewalk repair; homelessness programs; retaining local businesses; and cleaning and maintaining public parks and other areas. This tax would be a "general tax," meaning that revenues raised from the tax would go into the Town's general fund to pay for any lawful Town program, improvement, or service.

California Revenue and Taxation Code section 7285.9 authorizes the Town to levy a general transactions and use/sales tax at a rate of one percent (1%) so long as the tax is approved by a majority of the voters voting in an election on that issue. If approved, the tax would remain in effect until ended by Apple Valley voters voting at a subsequent election.

The tax would be paid in addition to current sales taxes and would be collected at the same time and in the same manner as existing sales taxes. All revenues raised by the tax would remain in the Town and would not be shared with the State, County or any other agency.

A "yes" vote on Measure "P" will authorize the 1% transactions and use (sales) tax.

A "no" vote on Measure "P" will not authorize the 1% transactions and use (sales) tax.

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure "P". If you desire a copy of the Measure, please call the Town's elections official at (760) 240-7000 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.

/s/ THOMAS RICE
Town Attorney

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE P

This Argument in Favor of Measure P was submitted pursuant to Section 9282 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

The safety and security of our community should always be the number one priority.

Like many California communities, the Town of Apple Valley has faced significant financial challenges in recent years, with repeated budget deficits threatening the essential services we rely on daily. Those deficits are expected to increase and continue in the coming years. Law enforcement and public safety, in particular, are at risk if we do not secure additional funding.

The proposed 1-cent sales tax increase on the upcoming November ballot is crucial in addressing these financial shortfalls. This measure will generate approximately \$9 million annually, all remaining within our community to support critical town services.

This funding will help maintain quick 911 response times, ensure the hiring and retention of Sheriff's deputies, and enhance our ability to respond effectively to property crimes, thefts, and burglaries. It will also contribute to safe routes to schools, repair our streets and potholes, and support efforts to address homelessness, as well as other town services.

Without this measure, the Town may be forced to make cuts that could jeopardize its ability to effectively protect you and your loved ones. The proposed sales tax is a small price to pay for the safety and well-being of our community. By voting YES, you invest in a safer, more vital Apple Valley.

Let's continue to work together to ensure our town remains a safe place to live, work, and raise our families. I strongly urge you to support this measure for the future of our community. Thank you for your consideration and support.

- s/ Shannon Dicus, Sheriff, San Bernardino County
- s/ Scott Nassif, Mayor, Town of Apple Valley
- s/ Hermelinda Alfaro, Owner, Las Brisas in the Village
- s/ B. R. Tinsley, Past Chair, Apple Valley Chamber of Commerce
- s/ Larry Parks, President, Sun City HOA

FULL TEXT FOR MEASURE P

AN ORDINANCE OF THE PEOPLE OF THE TOWN OF APPLE VALLEY, CALIFORNIA, ADDING CHAPTER 3.26 TO TITLE 3 OF THE APPLE VALLEY MUNICIPAL CODE TO ENACT A ONE PERCENT (1%) GENERAL TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX (SALES TAX) TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TAX AND FEE ADMINISTRATION

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code section 7285.9 the Town of Apple Valley ("Town") is authorized to levy a Transactions and Use Tax for general purposes, subject to majority voter approval; and

WHEREAS, the People of the Town desire to add Chapter 3.26 to Title 3 of the Apple Valley Municipal Code establishing a general Transactions and Use Tax ("TUT") until ended by voters, on the sale and/or use of all tangible personal property sold at retail in the Town, at a rate of one percent (1%).

NOW, THEREFORE, THE PEOPLE OF THE TOWN OF APPLE VALLEY DO HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Title and Text. This Ordinance shall be known as the "Apple Valley General Transactions and Use Tax", the full text of which is set forth in Attachment "1", attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. Approval by the Town Council. Pursuant to California Government Code section 53724 and Revenue and Taxation Code section 7285.9, this Ordinance was duly approved for placement on the ballot by a minimum two-thirds (2/3) supermajority of all members of the Town Council on July 23, 2024.

Section 3. Approval by the Voters. Pursuant to California Elections Code section 9217, this Ordinance shall be deemed adopted and take effect only if approved by a majority of the eligible voters of the Town of Apple Valley voting at the General Municipal Election of November 5, 2024. It shall be deemed adopted when the Town Council has certified the results of that election by resolution and shall take effect ten (10) days thereafter.

Section 4. Operative Date. "Operative Date" for the Transactions and Use Tax means the first day of the first calendar quarter commencing more than 110 days after the date this Ordinance is adopted, as set forth in Section 3 above.

Section 5. Severability. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

I hereby certify that the Apple Valley General Transactions and Use Tax Ordinance was **PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** by the People of the Town of Apple Valley on the 5th day of November, 2024.

TOWN OF APPLE VALLEY

Scott Nassif, Mayor

ATTEST:

La Vonda M-Pearson, Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Thomas Rice, Town Attorney

Douglas B. Robertson, Town Manager

Article XI – GENERAL TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX

Sections:

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- 3.26.130 - Duration of Tax**

Sections:

3.26.010. – Title.

This ordinance shall be known as the "Town of Apple Valley General Transactions and Use Tax Ordinance". The Town of Apple Valley hereinafter shall be called "Town." This ordinance shall be applicable in the incorporated territory of the Town.

3.26.020. – Purpose.

This ordinance is adopted to achieve the following, among other purposes, and directs that the provisions hereof be interpreted in order to accomplish those purposes:

- A. To impose a retail transactions and use tax in accordance with the provisions of Part 1.6 (commencing with Section 7251) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code and Section 7285.9 of Part 1.7 of Division 2 which authorizes the Town to adopt this tax ordinance which shall be operative if a majority of the electors voting on the measure vote to approve the imposition of the tax at an election called for that purpose.
- B. To adopt a retail transactions and use tax ordinance that incorporates provisions identical to those of the Sales and Use Tax Law of the State of California insofar as those provisions are not inconsistent with the requirements and limitations contained in Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

- C. To adopt a retail transactions and use tax ordinance that imposes a tax and provides a measure therefore that can be administered and collected by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration in a manner that adapts itself as fully as practicable to, and requires the least possible deviation from, the existing statutory and administrative procedures followed by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration in administering and collecting the California State Sales and Use Taxes.
- D. To adopt a retail transactions and use tax ordinance that can be administered in a manner that will be, to the greatest degree possible, consistent with the provisions of Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, minimize the cost of collecting the transactions and use taxes, and at the same time, minimize the burden of record-keeping upon persons subject to taxation under the provisions of this ordinance.

3.26.030. - Contract With State.

Prior to the operative date, the Town shall contract with the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration to perform all functions incident to the administration and operation of this transactions and use tax ordinance; provided, that if the Town shall not have contracted with the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration prior to the operative date, it shall nevertheless so contract and in such a case the operative date shall be the first day of the first calendar quarter following the execution of such a contract.

3.26.040. - Transactions Tax Rate.

For the privilege of selling tangible personal property at retail, a tax is hereby imposed upon all retailers in the incorporated territory of the Town at the rate of one percent (1%) of the gross receipts of any retailer from the sale of all tangible personal property sold at retail in said territory on and after the operative date of this ordinance.

3.26.050. - Place of Sale.

For the purposes of this ordinance, all retail sales are consummated at the place of business of the retailer unless the tangible personal property sold is delivered by the retailer or his agent to an out-of-state destination or to a common carrier for delivery to an out-of-state destination. The gross receipts from such sales shall include delivery charges, when such charges are subject to the state sales and use tax, regardless of the place to which delivery is made. In the event a retailer has no permanent place of business in the State or has more than one place of business, the place or places at which the retail sales are consummated shall be determined under rules and regulations to be prescribed and adopted by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration.

3.26.060. - Use Tax Rate.

An excise tax is hereby imposed on the storage, use or other consumption in the Town of tangible personal property purchased from any retailer on and after the operative date of this ordinance for storage, use or other consumption in said territory at the rate of one percent (1%) of the sales price of the property. The sales price shall include delivery charges when such charges are subject to state sales or use tax regardless of the place to which delivery is made.

3.26.070. - Adoption of Provisions of State Law.

Except as otherwise provided in this ordinance and except insofar as they are inconsistent with the provisions of Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, all of the provisions of Part 1 (commencing with Section 6001) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code are hereby adopted and made a part of this ordinance as though fully set forth herein.

3.26.080. - Limitations on Adoption of State Law and Collection of Use Taxes.

In adopting the provisions of Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code:

- A. Wherever the State of California is named or referred to as the taxing agency, the name of this Town shall be substituted therefor. However, the substitution shall not be made when:
 - 1. The word "State" is used as a part of the title of the State Controller, State Treasurer, California Victim Compensation Board, California Department of Tax and Fee Administration, State Treasury, or the Constitution of the State of California;
 - 2. The result of that substitution would require action to be taken by or against this Town or any agency, officer, or employee thereof rather than by or against the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration, in performing the functions incident to the administration or operation of this Ordinance.

3. In those sections, including, but not necessarily limited to sections referring to the exterior boundaries of the State of California, where the result of the substitution would be to:
 - a. Provide an exemption from this tax with respect to certain sales, storage, use or other consumption of tangible personal property which would not otherwise be exempt from this tax while such sales, storage, use or other consumption remain subject to tax by the State under the provisions of Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, or;
 - b. Impose this tax with respect to certain sales, storage, use or other consumption of tangible personal property which would not be subject to tax by the state under the said provision of that code.
 4. In reference to Sections 6701, 6702 (except in the last sentence thereof), 6711, 6715, 6737, 6797 or 6828 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.
- B. The word "Town" shall be substituted for the word "state" in the phrase "retailer engaged in business in this state" in Section 6203 of the Revenue and Taxation Code and in the definition of that phrase in Section 6203.
1. "A retailer engaged in business in the Town" shall also include any retailer that, in the preceding calendar year or the current calendar year, has total combined sales of tangible personal property in this state or for delivery in the State by the retailer and all persons related to the retailer that exceeds five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000). For purposes of this section, a person is related to another person if both persons are related to each other pursuant to Section 267(b) of Title 26 of the United States Code and the regulations thereunder.

3.26.090. - Permit not Required.

If a seller's permit has been issued to a retailer under Section 6067 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, an additional transactor's permit shall not be required by this Ordinance.

3.26.100. - Exemptions and Exclusions.

- A. There shall be excluded from the measure of the transactions tax and the use tax the amount of any sales tax or use tax imposed by the State of California or by any city, town, city and county, or county pursuant to the Bradley-Burns Uniform Local Sales and Use Tax Law or the amount of any state-administered transactions or use tax.
- B. There are exempted from the computation of the amount of transactions tax the gross receipts from:
 1. Sales of tangible personal property, other than fuel or petroleum products, to operators of aircraft to be used or consumed principally outside the county in which the sale is made and directly and exclusively in the use of such aircraft as common carriers of persons or property under the authority of the laws of this State, the United States, or any foreign government.
 2. Sales of property to be used outside the Town which is shipped to a point outside the Town, pursuant to the contract of sale, by delivery to such point by the retailer or his agent, or by delivery by the retailer to a carrier for shipment to a consignee at such point. For the purposes of this paragraph, delivery to a point outside the Town shall be satisfied:
 - a. With respect to vehicles (other than commercial vehicles) subject to registration pursuant to Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 4000) of Division 3 of the Vehicle Code, aircraft licensed in compliance with Section 21411 of the Public Utilities Code, and undocumented vessels registered under Division 3.5 (commencing with Section 9840) of the Vehicle Code by registration to an out-of-Town address and by a declaration under penalty of perjury, signed by the buyer, stating that such address is, in fact, his or her principal place of residence; and
 - b. With respect to commercial vehicles, by registration to a place of business out-of-Town and declaration under penalty of perjury, signed by the buyer, that the vehicle will be operated from that address.
 3. The sale of tangible personal property if the seller is obligated to furnish the property for a fixed price pursuant to a contract entered into prior to the operative date of this ordinance.
 4. A lease of tangible personal property which is a continuing sale of such property, for any period of time for which the lessor is obligated to lease the property for an amount fixed by the lease prior to the operative date of this ordinance.

5. For the purposes of subparagraphs (3) and (4) of this subsection, the sale or lease of tangible personal property shall be deemed not to be obligated pursuant to a contract or lease for any period of time for which any party to the contract or lease has the unconditional right to terminate the contract or lease upon notice, whether or not such right is exercised.
- C. There are exempted from the use tax imposed by this ordinance, the storage, use or other consumption in this Town of tangible personal property:
1. The gross receipts from the sale of which have been subject to a transactions tax under any state-administered transactions and use tax ordinance.
 2. Other than fuel or petroleum products purchased by operators of aircraft and used or consumed by such operators directly and exclusively in the use of such aircraft as common carriers of persons or property for hire or compensation under a certificate of public convenience and necessity issued pursuant to the laws of this State, the United States, or any foreign government. This exemption is in addition to the exemptions provided in Sections 6366 and 6366.1 of the Revenue and Taxation Code of the State of California.
 3. If the purchaser is obligated to purchase the property for a fixed price pursuant to a contract entered into prior to the operative date of this Ordinance.
 4. If the possession of, or the exercise of any right or power over, the tangible personal property arises under a lease which is a continuing purchase of such property for any period of time for which the lessee is obligated to lease the property for an amount fixed by a lease prior to the operative date of this Ordinance.
 5. For the purposes of subparagraphs (3) and (4) of this subsection, storage, use, or other consumption, or possession of, or exercise of any right or power over, tangible personal property shall be deemed not to be obligated pursuant to a contract or lease for any period of time for which any party to the contract or lease has the unconditional right to terminate the contract or lease upon notice, whether or not such right is exercised.
 6. Except as provided in subparagraph (7), a retailer engaged in business in the Town shall not be required to collect use tax from the purchaser of tangible personal property, unless the retailer ships or delivers the property into the Town or participates within the Town in making the sale of the property, including, but not limited to, soliciting or receiving the order, either directly or indirectly, at a place of business of the retailer in the Town or through any representative, agent, canvasser, solicitor, subsidiary, or person in the Town under the authority of the retailer.
 7. "A retailer engaged in business in the Town" shall also include any retailer of any of the following: vehicles subject to registration pursuant to Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 4000) of Division 3 of the Vehicle Code, aircraft licensed in compliance with Section 21411 of the Public Utilities Code, or undocumented vessels registered under Division 3.5 (commencing with Section 9840) of the Vehicle Code. That retailer shall be required to collect use tax from any purchaser who registers or licenses the vehicle, vessel, or aircraft at an address in the Town.
- D. Any person subject to use tax under this ordinance may credit against that tax any transactions tax or reimbursement for transactions tax paid to a district imposing, or retailer liable for, a transactions tax pursuant to Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code with respect to the sale to the person of the property the storage, use or other consumption of which is subject to the use tax.

3.26.110. - Amendments.

All amendments subsequent to the effective date of this ordinance to Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code relating to sales and use taxes and which are not inconsistent with Part 1.6 and Part 1.7 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, and all amendments to Part 1.6 and Part 1.7 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, shall automatically become a part of this Ordinance, provided however, that no such amendment shall operate so as to affect the rate of tax imposed by this Ordinance.

3.26.120. - Enjoining Collection Forbidden.

No injunction or writ of mandate or other legal or equitable process shall issue in any suit, action or proceeding in any court against the State or the Town, or against any officer of the State or the Town, to prevent or enjoin the collection under this ordinance, or Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, of any tax or any amount of tax required to be collected.

3.26.130. – Duration of Tax.

The tax imposed by this chapter shall continue until this ordinance is repealed.

**MEASURE Q
CITY OF RANCHO CUCAMONGA**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE Q

This Impartial Analysis of Measure Q has been prepared by the City Attorney pursuant to Section 9280 of the California Elections Code.

Measure Q seeks voter approval to increase the rate of the City of Rancho Cucamonga's existing transient occupancy tax (TOT). If approved, Measure Q would adopt an ordinance to increase the rate of the City's TOT from 10% to a maximum of 12%. The TOT is paid only by guests who occupy, or have the right to occupy, hotels, motels, and other short-term lodgings within Rancho Cucamonga for thirty consecutive calendar days or less. The TOT is collected and remitted to the City by operators of such lodgings.

The proposed measure is a general tax, as defined in Article XIIC of the California Constitution, which means the City can spend the tax revenue on general municipal services, such as public safety, roads, and parks and open space improvements. The ordinance would require all revenue to be spent on services and infrastructure within the City. The City estimated that this Measure will raise approximately \$1,000,000 annually in new local revenue.

Measure Q would also permit the City Council to adjust the TOT to a rate that is less than or equal to, but not more than 12%, or to repeal the ordinance, without further voter approval. In addition, the City's independent auditors would annually complete a report reviewing the collection and expenditure of TOT revenue.

Measure Q was placed on the ballot by the Rancho Cucamonga City Council, and must be approved by a majority of voters to become law. A "yes" vote on Measure Q favors enacting the proposed ordinance that would increase the City's TOT rate to a maximum of 12%. A "no" vote on Measure Q opposes the proposed ordinance, and would maintain the City's TOT rate at the existing 10%.

Nicholas R. Ghirelli
Rancho Cucamonga City Attorney

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure Q. If you desire a complete copy of the TOT Ordinance, please call the City Clerk at (909) 774-2023 and a copy will be sent to you at no cost.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE Q

This Argument in Favor of Measure Q was submitted pursuant to Section 9282 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

Vote YES on Measure Q to support public safety, address homelessness and protect essential community services to maintain our great quality of life here in Rancho Cucamonga, without increasing taxes on local residents.

Many people visit Rancho Cucamonga for business or pleasure and choose to stay in a local hotel and utilize or receive city services. Out-of-town visitors use city roads, are protected by our public safety services, and enjoy our open space and local parks, and other city services.

Measure Q is a Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) that will be paid by travelers visiting Rancho Cucamonga who stay in hotels, motels, or short-term rentals in our community that will provide additional and necessary funding to help offset these impacts and help our City plan for the future.

Measure Q does not increase taxes for Rancho Cucamonga residents. Measure Q ensures out-of-town visitors pay their share for necessary public safety and essential services when they visit our City.

Your Yes Vote on Measure Q will:

- Support Public Safety
- Address Homelessness
- Improve Infrastructure
- Maintain and Improve Parks and Open Space
- Support City Programs for Seniors and Youth

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR – Continued on next page

Independent Oversight and Local Control are Required

- All Measure Q funds must stay in Rancho Cucamonga, under local control and cannot be taken by the State
- A clear system of accountability would be required, including annual independent audits and public disclosure to ensure funds are spent as promised

Measure Q will ensure that visitors pay their fair share of costs to protect and maintain the quality of life in Rancho Cucamonga.

Please join business leaders, elected officials and neighbors in voting YES on Q to protect essential city services in Rancho Cucamonga, without increasing taxes on residents.

Vote YES on Measure Q!

s/ Michael Krouse, President/CEO, GOCAL

s/ Tyler Shook, 1st VP, Rancho Cucamonga Fire Association, 2274

FULL TEXT FOR MEASURE Q

ORDINANCE NO. XXX

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 3.40.020 OF CHAPTER 3.40 OF TITLE 3 OF THE RANCHO CUCAMONGA MUNICIPAL CODE TO INCREASE THE CITY'S EXISTING TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX RATE FROM TEN PERCENT (10%) TO TWELVE PERCENT (12%)

The People of the City of Rancho Cucamonga do hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. Municipal Code Amendment. Section 3.40.020 ("Imposition of tax") of Chapter 3.40 ("Transient Occupancy Tax") of Title 3 ("Revenue and Finance") of the Rancho Cucamonga Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"3.40.020 – Imposition of tax.

For the privilege of occupancy in any hotel, each transient is subject to and shall pay a tax in the amount of twelve percent (12%) of the rent charged by the operator. Said tax constitutes a debt owed by the transient to the city which is extinguished only by payment to the operator or to the city. The transient shall pay the tax to the operator of the hotel at the time the rent is paid. If the rent is paid in installments, a proportionate share of the tax shall be paid with each installment. The unpaid tax shall be due upon the transient's ceasing to occupy space in the hotel. If for any reason the tax due is not paid to the operator of the hotel, the tax administrator may require that such tax shall be paid directly to the city."

Section 2. Future Amendments. Notwithstanding California Elections Code Section 9217, without a vote of the People of the City of Rancho Cucamonga, the Rancho Cucamonga City Council may do any and all of the following: (i) repeal this Ordinance; (ii) reduce the rate of the transient occupancy tax below twelve percent (12%); (iii) increase the rate of the transient occupancy tax back to 12% if it has previously been reduced below such rate; or (iv) amend any other provision of Rancho Cucamonga Municipal Code Chapter 3.40 that does not increase the rate of the tax above 12%. In no event shall the City Council increase the rate of the transient occupancy tax in excess of 12% without approval by a majority of the voters voting in an election on the increase.

Section 3. General Tax. If adopted, this Ordinance will increase, as set forth herein, the rate of the City's existing transient occupancy tax, which is a general tax of the City.

Section 4. Public Accountability. Each year, as part of the audit of the City's financial statements, the City's independent auditors shall complete a report reviewing the collection and expenditure of revenue from the tax levied by this Ordinance. Revenue from the tax shall be used to fund governmental services and infrastructure within the City of Rancho Cucamonga.

Section 5. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall nonetheless remain in full force and effect. The People of the City of Rancho Cucamonga hereby declare that they would have adopted each section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases, or portions of this Ordinance be declared invalid or unenforceable.

Section 6. Effective Date. The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to attest to the adoption of this Ordinance by signing where indicated below. This Ordinance shall take effect ten days following certification of the vote by the City Council.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the People of the City of Rancho Cucamonga, California, voting on the 5th day of November, 2024.

L. Dennis Michael, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Janice C. Reynolds, City Clerk

**MEASURE R
CITY OF ADELANTO**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE R

This Impartial Analysis of Measure R has been prepared by the City Attorney pursuant to Section 9280 of the California Elections Code.

This ballot measure changes the City of Adelanto's business license tax. Currently, approximately 1,200 businesses in the City pay the business license tax that is assessed primarily on a flat rate by business classification. Over the last six fiscal years, business license tax revenue has averaged approximately \$70,000 per fiscal year.

This measure implements a new category-based gross receipts tax structure. Pursuant to the proposed new structure, businesses contribute proportionally to their generated revenues. Additionally, the new proposed structure simplifies the administration of the business license program by consolidating business classifications, thus reducing the burden on both City resources and businesses.

Based on a professional tax analysis report, the proposed tax program will classify businesses into five categories, with exemptions for certain businesses. In general, every business described in the following classifications who engages in business within the City of Adelanto shall pay an annual business tax in an amount computed in accordance with the following business tax rate schedule. Every business with annual gross receipts of less than \$25,000 shall pay the sum of \$25 ("Minimum Tax"). For businesses with annual gross receipts of over \$25,000, the business license tax shall be the Minimum Tax plus the gross receipts tax based upon adjusted gross income over \$25,000.

The business classifications and tax rates are as follows:

Group 1: General/Retail

Tax Rate: \$1.25 per \$1,000 gross receipts

Group 2: Professional

Tax Rate: \$4.00 per \$1,000 gross receipts

Group 3: Rental Properties

Tax Rate: \$4 per \$1,000 gross receipts

Group 4: Services

Tax Rate: \$3.50 per \$1,000 gross receipts

Group 5: Contractors

Tax Rate: \$3.50 per \$1,000 gross receipts

The minimum gross receipts threshold and all flat rates for calculating the business license fee in the City of Adelanto shall be adjusted annually based on the Consumer Price Index ("CPI") for All Urban Consumers.

This updated tax structure is projected to increase revenue to the City by approximately \$1,200,000. The additional general revenue goes to the City's General Fund and can be used for multiple City services, including but not limited to, parks and recreation programs; blight and illegal dumping remediation; public safety services, including police, firefighters, and paramedics; and capital projects to improve City infrastructure, including the construction and maintenance of roads, construction and maintenance of sidewalks, storm water runoff and drainage, and other uses.

The measure was placed on the ballot by the City Council.

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure R. If you desire a copy of the measure, please call the City Clerk's office at 760-246-2300 x11123 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.

Todd Litfin, City Attorney

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE R

This Argument in Favor of Measure R was submitted pursuant to Section 9282 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

Vote Yes on Measure R to improve essential city services and protect public safety in Adelanto with locally controlled funding that cannot be taken away by the State or County.

The City of Adelanto has been working hard to attract local shopping, retain local businesses and industry to provide more jobs, help our city thrive, and improve public safety services.

That is why we need to take things into our own hands and Vote YES on R.

Vote YES on Measure R to:

- Support fire, paramedic, and 911 emergency response times
- Support crime prevention and neighborhood safety
- Replace aging water and sewer infrastructure for continued safe drinking water
- Improve streets and keep public areas safe and clean
- Attract and retain businesses, industry, and increase job opportunities

Strict Fiscal Accountability:

- Mandatory annual audits are required
- By law, San Bernardino County or Sacramento cannot touch a penny of Measure R
- All funds must be spent locally for programs and services in Adelanto
- Join neighbors, first responders, and community leaders – vote YES on Measure R to ensure the City of Adelanto becomes a great place to live, work, and thrive.

s/ Gabriel Reyes, Mayor of Adelanto

FULL TEXT FOR MEASURE R

AN ORDINANCE OF THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF ADELANTO AS APPROVED BY THE CITY'S QUALIFIED ELECTORS AT THE ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 5, 2024, TO AMEND THE CITY'S BUSINESS LICENSE TAX

WHEREAS, the City of Adelanto ("City") has not adjusted its business license tax in a number of years; and

WHEREAS, the calling of an election contest for Adelanto voters to consider the business license tax measure was put forward in compliance with applicable law; and

WHEREAS, the City Council approved this Ordinance for first reading at a public hearing conducted as part of its Regular Meeting of July 24, 2024, provided that the Ordinance may not take effect unless approved by Adelanto voters at the Election of November 5, 2024; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance, by its terms, may only take effect if the ballot measure requesting its approval is approved by a majority of Adelanto voters at the Election of November 5, 2024; and

WHEREAS, at the Election of Tuesday, November 5, 2024, Adelanto voters approved the measure requesting approval of this Ordinance by a margin of ____% voting in favor ("Yes") and ____% voting in opposition ("No"); and

WHEREAS, the election results were certified at the City Council's meeting of _____, 2024, by way of Resolution No. __-__.

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF ADELANTO, CALIFORNIA DO HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Title.

This Ordinance may be referred to as the "Adelanto Business License Tax ."

SECTION 2. Purpose.

The taxes imposed under this Ordinance are solely for the purpose of raising revenue necessary to support and fund general services for the City.

SECTION 3. Code Amendment.

An amended Chapter 5.04 of Title 5 (Business Licenses and Regulations) is hereby added to the Adelanto Municipal Code to read as follows:

CHAPTER 5.04 BUSINESS LICENSES

5.04.10 Definitions.

The definitions in this section apply to the words and phrases used in this article unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

(a) "*Business*" Any business, commercial enterprise, trade, calling, vocation, profession, occupation, or means of livelihood, whether or not carried on for gain or profit. The term shall include operations of subsidiary or independent entities conducted for the benefit of others and at no profit to themselves, nonprofit businesses and trade associations. A person shall not be deemed to be engaged in business solely by reason of receipt of dividend or interest income from passive investments.

(b) "*Business classification*" means the category of business subject to tax under this article. The business classifications are as follows.

1. Group 1: General/Retail: These are retailers, wholesalers, hoteliers, restaurateurs, and manufacturers. Examples include but not limited to Corporate Headquarters, Manufacturing, Retail, Wholesale.
2. Group 2: Professional: These businesses offer services that require a rigorous amount of training through any type of higher education, or vocational institutions that exclusively certifies, complete obtainment of skills and the ability to offer such professional services. Examples include but are not limited to a doctor's office, a law office, a consulting firm, land developers, brokers, *etc.*
3. Group 3: Rental Properties including Commercial and Residential Property Rentals: This category includes any business that leases, rents, or provides use of real property to another individual or entity for compensation. Examples include commercial leasing, residential rental, parcel leasing, *etc.*
4. Group 4: Services: This is the offering of services that require minimal to no higher education training. This is also the default category for any business that is not specifically defined in one of the other five categories. Examples include but are not limited to health care centers, moving companies, hair stylists, gardeners, nail salons, *etc.* Any business that does not fit within any of the give group classifications shall be deemed to be covered by the Services group.
5. Group 5: Contractors: These are persons or firms that are carrying on the business of a contractor, subcontractor, or builder particularly the construction or repair of any buildings. Examples include but are not limited to construction, plumbing, HVAC, *etc.*

(c) "*Business license*" means the document issued by the city acknowledging that a person has declared their business activity in the city and has paid the business license tax required by this article for the declared business activity. A business license is valid for one tax year and only for the tax year for which the business license tax has been paid.

(d) "*Employee*" means any person engaged in the operation of any business whether as an agent, manager, solicitor, member of the owner's family, or other person employed or working in the business.

(e) "*Fixed place of business*" means the premises occupied in the city for the purpose of conducting a business and regularly kept open for that purpose with a person in attendance for the purpose of attending to the business.

(f) "*Gross receipts*" Except as otherwise specifically provided, the term "gross receipts" as used in this article is defined as follows:

The total amount of the sales price of all sales, the total amount charged or received for the performance of any act, service, or employment of whatever nature it may be, whether such service or act of employment is done as a part of or in connection with the sale of goods, wares, merchandise or not, for which a charge is made or credit allowed, including, without limitation, all receipts, cash, credits, forfeited or retained deposits of any kind and property of any kind or nature, in any amount for which credit is allowed by the seller to the purchasers without any deductions therefrom on account of the cost of the property sold, the cost of materials used, labor or service costs, interest paid or payable, losses or any other expense whatsoever. Where the gross receipts are less than the cost of maintaining the operations of the licensee, then the licensee shall be deemed to produce gross receipts in an amount at least equal to the cost of maintaining such operations. Such cost of operations includes, but is not limited to, rent, depreciation, salaries, wages, fixed charges, and other expenses.

Excluded from gross receipts shall be:

- A. Cash discounts allowed and taken on sales;
- B. The value of property accepted as part of the purchase price for subsequent resale;
- C. Any California state, city or city and county sales or use tax required by law to be included in or added to the purchase price and collected from the consumer or purchaser;
- D. Any City of Adelanto transient occupancy tax required to be included in or added to the price of a room and collected from a transient;
- E. Such part of the sales price of property returned by the purchaser upon the rescission of the contract or sale as is refunded either in cash or by credit;
- F. Deposits which by law or contract must be refunded and are actually refunded;
- G. Collections for others when the business is acting as an agent or trustee to the extent that payments are made to those for whom collected;
- H. The cash value of sales, trades, or transactions between departments or units of the same business

(g) "*Licensee*" means a person required to obtain a business license under this article.

(h) "*Person*" has the same meaning provided in section 1-2 of this code.

(i) "*Previous tax year*" means the tax year for a licensee that immediately precedes the tax year for which a business license is being obtained. Upon request by a licensee, the Tax Collector may approve the use of a different "previous tax year" for a licensee in order to conform to a licensee's fiscal year or to otherwise simplify the calculation of the amount of business license tax owed by the licensee.

(j) "*Tax Collector*" As used in this chapter, "collector" means the City Finance Director, Director of Administrative Services or other City staff/officer charged with the administration of this chapter.

(k) "*Tax year*" means the year that begins each year on the date of a licensee's first day of operation as a business in the city. Upon request by a licensee, the Tax Collector may approve the use of a different "tax year" for a licensee in order to conform to a licensee's fiscal year or to otherwise simplify the calculation of the amount of business license tax owed by the licensee.

5.04.20 Business License Tax.

It shall be unlawful for any person either for himself or for any other person, to commence or carry on any business taxed pursuant to this article in the City of Adelanto, without having procured a business license from the city.

- a) A business license is evidence only of the fact that the business license tax was paid based on the business activity as reported to the city.
- b) Neither the payment of business license tax nor the possession of a business license authorizes the doing of any act which the person paying the business license tax or holding a business license would not otherwise be entitled to do.
- c) A business license is not permission to carry on a business at any place within the city where conducting such business is prohibited or fails to comply with the city's zoning, planning, building, and business regulations.
- d) A business license is not permission to conduct a business in such a manner as to create or maintain a nuisance.
- e) A business license is only valid for the person to whom it is issued and is not transferable.

5.04.25 Tax Rates.

Businesses subject to the gross receipts tax pursuant to this Chapter shall pay an annual business license tax to the City consisting of a flat tax, a tax based on gross receipts or a tax based upon the cost of doing business as defined in this chapter, whichever amount is greater.

Except as may be otherwise provided in this chapter, every person described in the following classifications who engages in business within the City of Adelanto shall pay an annual business tax in an amount computed in accordance with the following business tax rate schedule. Every business with annual gross receipts of less than \$25,000 shall pay the sum of \$25 (Twenty Five Dollars – "Minimum Tax"). For businesses with annual gross receipts of over \$25,000, the business license tax shall be the Minimum Tax plus the gross receipts tax based upon adjusted gross receipts over \$25,000.

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5.04.26 CPI Adjustments.

The minimum gross receipts threshold and all flat rates for calculating the business license fee in the City of Adelanto shall be adjusted annually based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for All Urban Consumers, as published by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. The adjusted flat rates will be effective at the beginning of each fiscal year and will be communicated to all affected businesses by the License Collector

5.04.27 Minimum Tax.

Every business with annual gross receipts of less than \$25,000 shall pay the sum of \$25. For businesses with annual gross receipts of over \$25,000, the business license tax shall be the Minimum Tax plus the gross receipts tax based upon adjusted gross receipts over \$25,000.

By way of illustration, if a business is classified as a general business and its hypothetical gross receipts were \$125,000 for the year, it would calculate its tax by first subtracting \$25,000 in gross receipts, which is covered by the \$25 minimum tax. Then, using the adjusted gross receipts of \$100,000, it would multiply those gross receipts by the rate for basic businesses, which is 0.0003 (or \$.30 per thousand dollars) to get the tax of \$30. Adding the minimum tax and this gross receipt tax the total tax owed in this example would be \$55.

5.04.30 Exemptions.

Any person claiming an exemption pursuant to this section shall file a sworn statement with the collector stating the facts upon which exemption is claimed and in the absence of such statement substantiating the claim, such person shall be liable for the payment of the taxes imposed by this chapter. Exemptions:

(a) For the purposes of this section, city purchases shall be exempt from the calculation of the required business tax as follows: Whenever the measure of the business tax is based on gross receipts, the person subject to the business tax may exclude from the business tax calculation the dollar value of purchases or services made directly by the city of Adelanto from the person subject to the tax.

(b) Any business exempt from the tax by the laws of the United States or the State of California.

5.04.40 License a Receipt.

The Business Tax Receipts issued under the authority of Chapter 5 of this Code are Receipts of payment of the business taxes levied on the privilege of carrying on or engaging in a business, profession or occupation under the City's taxing power. The Business Tax Receipts are not regulatory licenses issued under the City's police power. Provisions of a regulatory nature contained in Chapter 5 of this Code are placed in Chapter 5 as a matter of convenience only. Although a separate regulatory Business Tax Receipt is not issued, such provisions are imposed as conditions of an additional regulatory license imposed under the City's police power to regulate businesses, occupations, professions, trades, or callings to protect the public health, morals, safety and welfare.

5.04.50 Separate License For Each Place of Business.

If a person engages in the same business in two (2) or more places in Adelanto, each place of business shall be taxed under this chapter as a separate entity. If a person engages in two (2) or more different businesses at the same location, each business shall be taxed as a separate entity; and there shall be no credit or setoff for taxes paid at one location against taxes due from another location, nor shall there be credit or setoff for taxes due from different businesses at the same location.

5.04.60 When Tax Is Due.

- (a) When a licensee first begins operating a business in the City, the tax imposed by this article is due 30 days after the first day of business operation in the City and is delinquent 60 days after the first day of business operation if not paid.
- (b) After the first tax year of operation and for all subsequent tax years, the tax is due 30 days after the first day of the tax year and is delinquent 60 days after the first day of the tax year if not paid.

5.04.70 Application—Initial.

- (a) Upon a person making an application for the first business tax receipt for a newly established or acquired business, such person shall furnish to the collector a sworn statement, upon a form provided by the collector; setting forth the following information:
 - 1) The name of the business and the address at which it will be operating.
 - 2) The nature of the business's activities enough for the Tax Collector to determine the business classification and category of the business.
 - 3) The date on which the business will begin operating.
 - 4) In all cases where the amount of tax to be paid is measured by gross receipts, the application shall set forth such information as may be therein required and as may be necessary to determine the amount of the tax to be paid by the applicant;
 - 5) Any further information which the collector may require.
- (b) If the amount of the tax to be paid by the applicant is measured by gross receipts, he or she shall estimate the gross receipts for the period covered. Such an estimate, if accepted by the collector as reasonable, shall be used in determining the amount of tax to be paid by the applicant; provided, however, the amount of the tax so determined shall be tentative only. Furthermore:
 - 1) Within 30 days after the end of its first tax year of operation in the city, a business must provide the Tax Collector with a statement of its actual gross receipts for that year, accompanied by supporting records.
 - 2) If the actual gross receipts exceed the estimated gross receipts used to calculate and pay the tax for the first year, an additional tax based on the excess amount will be assessed and due within 60 days of the beginning of the second tax year.

5.04.80 Business License Tax Renewals.

- (a) Starting from the second tax year of operation and for every tax year thereafter, a business must submit its business license renewal application within 30 days from the beginning of the tax year.
- (b) The business license renewal application must include the following information, along with any other details required by the Tax Collector:
 - 1) The name of the business and the address at which it will be operating.
 - 2) The nature of the business's activities sufficient for the Tax Collector to determine the business classification and category of the business.
 - 3) The business's gross receipts for the previous tax year.

5.04.090 Delinquent Taxes (Penalty for Nonpayment of License).

- (a) When a tax becomes delinquent, a penalty of 25% of the amount of the delinquent tax will be added to the amount of tax due. If the tax remains unpaid 60 days after becoming delinquent, an additional penalty of 25% of the amount of the delinquent tax (excluding the initial penalty) will be added to the amount of tax due.
- (b) On the first of each month that a tax is delinquent, interest in the amount of 1.5% of the delinquent amount, excluding penalties and interest, will be added to the amount of tax due.
- (c) A licensee may apply to the Tax Collector for a reduction or waiver of any accrued penalties or interest, and the Tax Collector may reduce or waive any accrued penalties or interest upon a finding of good cause.

5.04.100 Administrative Procedure to Assess or Correct Tax.

(a) If the Tax Collector determines that a licensee has incorrectly reported any information to the city or has not paid all or any of the tax, penalties, or interest that are due, the Tax Collector may, using any information available to the Tax Collector, issue an Initial Determination stating what the Tax Collector believes to be the correct information and, if new or additional tax, penalties, or interest are due, how much tax, penalties, or interest are due. The Initial Determination must be served on the licensee either personally or by U.S. mail to the most recent address for the licensee in the Tax Collector's records.

(b) A licensee affected by an Initial Determination may within 15 days of service of an Initial Determination contest the Initial Determination and request a hearing before the Tax Collector by filing with the Tax Collector a written request for a hearing. The further accrual of penalties and interest shall be tolled upon the filing of a request for a hearing. If a licensee does not contest an Initial Determination and request a hearing with the Tax Collector within 15 days of service of the Initial Determination, the Initial Determination is final and cannot be appealed.

(c) If a licensee timely contests an Initial Determination and requests a hearing, the Tax Collector must set a hearing within 30 days of the filing of the request for a hearing or as soon thereafter as reasonably practical. Notice of the hearing must be served on the licensee either personally or by U.S. mail to the most recent address for the licensee in the Tax Collector's records.

(d) At the hearing the licensee may present evidence and argument regarding the Initial Determination to show why the Initial Determination is incorrect and to show what the determination of the Tax Collector should be. Within 60 day after the close of the hearing or as soon thereafter as reasonably practical, the Tax Collector must serve a Final Determination, setting forth the Tax Collector's determination of the facts and issues that were the subject of the Initial Determination. The Final Determination must be served on the licensee either personally or by U.S. mail to the most recent address for the licensee in the Tax Collector's records. Unless an appeal of a Final Determination is filed under Section 5.04.120, any penalties or interest tolled under subdivision (b) of this section will resume accruing 10 days after the service of the Final Determination.

5.04.110 General Administrative Remedy.

(a) Any person affected by a decision of the Tax Collector ("the challenger"), except for a decision under 5.04.100, may challenge that decision by filing a written objection to the decision with the Tax Collector. The objection must be filed within 15 days of the issuance of the decision being challenged. If the Tax Collector was required to provide notice of the decision, then the time to file an objection to the decision begins to run from the date of service of the notice of the decision. The Tax Collector must serve a written response to the objection within 30 days of the filing of the objection, which period can be extended by the Tax Collector for an additional 30 days. The Tax Collector's response to the objection must be served on the challenger either personally or by U.S. mail to the most recent address for the challenger in the Tax Collector's records.

(b) The challenger may request a hearing on the Tax Collector's response to the objection by filing a request for a hearing with the Tax Collector within 15 days of service of the response to the objection. If a timely request for a hearing on a response to the objection is filed with the Tax Collector, the Tax Collector must set a hearing within 30 days of the filing of the request for a hearing or as soon as reasonably practical thereafter. Notice of the hearing must be served on the challenger either personally or by U.S. mail to the most recent address for the challenger in the Tax Collector's records.

(c) At the hearing the challenger may present evidence and argument regarding the decision being challenged to show why the decision is incorrect and to show what it should be. Within 60 days after the close of the hearing, which the Tax Collector may extend for an additional 60 days, the Tax Collector must serve a Final Determination on the decision, setting forth the Tax Collector's determination of the decision that was challenged. The Final Determination must be served on the challenger either personally or by U.S. mail to the most recent address for the challenger in the Tax Collector's records. Service is effective upon deposit of the Final Determination in the U.S. mail.

5.04.120 Appeal.

(a) A Final Determination of the Tax Collector under section 5.04.100, subdivision (d), or section 5.04.100, subdivision (c), can be appealed to the City Manager by filing a written notice of appeal with the City Manager within 15 days of service of the notice of the Final Determination being appealed.

- (b) Only a licensee who files a timely request for a hearing on an Initial Determination under section 5.04.100 and participates in the hearing or a challenger who files an objection to a decision and files a request for a hearing on the response to the objection under section 5.04.100 and participates in the hearing can file an appeal under this section.
- (c) If a timely appeal is filed, the City Manager, must set a hearing within 60 days of the filing of the appeal, which may be extended by the City Manager for an additional 60 days. Notice of the hearing must be served on the appellant either personally or by U.S. mail to the most recent address for the challenger in the Tax Collector's records. The tolling of the accrual of penalties or interest under section 5.04.100, subdivision (b), shall continue upon the timely filing of an appeal under this section.
- (d) At the hearing the appellant and the Tax Collector may present evidence and argument regarding the decision being appealed to show why the decision is correct or incorrect and to show what it should be. Within 60 days after the close of the hearing, which the City Manager may extend for an additional 60 days, the City Manager must serve a written decision, setting forth the resolution of the appeal. The decision must be served on the appellant either personally or by U.S. mail to the most recent address for the appellant in the Tax Collector's records. Service is effective upon deposit of the decision in the U.S. Mail. Any penalties and interest that were tolled under section 5.04.100, subdivision (b), shall resume accruing 10 days after the service of the decision.
- (e) A decision of the City Manager, or the City Manager's designee, served under subdivision (d) of this section is subject to judicial review under sections 1094.5 and 1094.6 of the Code of Civil Procedure (or subsequent laws if amended) with a writ petition filed in the appropriate court within the 90 days of the service of the written decision. Any tax, penalties, or interest determined by the decision to be owed to the City by the appellant must be paid to the City as a precondition to filing a writ petition challenging the decision, but a claim for a refund under section 5.04.150 does not have to be filed before filing a writ petition.

5.04.130 Posting and keeping licenses.

Any licensee transacting and carrying on business at a fixed place of business in the City shall keep the license posted in a conspicuous place upon the premises where such business is carried on, whether or not said place of business is the City of Adelanto.

5.04.140 Constitutional Apportionment.

- (a) No tax imposed by this article may be applied to a licensee so as to constitute an undue burden on interstate commerce or intercity commerce or be violative of the equal protection or due process clauses of the United States or California constitutions.
- (b) A licensee who contends that the application of a tax imposed by this article on the licensee constitutes an undue burden on interstate commerce or intercity commerce or violates the equal protection or due process clauses of the United States or California constitutions may apply to the Tax Collector for an apportionment of the tax imposed on the licensee that would remove the constitutional violation by filing a written request with the Tax Collector that explains the factual and legal basis for the claimed constitutional violation and proposes a method of apportionment that would resolve the alleged constitutional violations.
- (c) The Tax Collector, in consultation with City Attorney, shall review the application and within 60 days of the filing of the application issue a decision on the application. The decision on the application must be served on the licensee either personally or by U.S. mail to the most recent address for the challenger in the Tax Collector's records. The decision can be challenged under section 5.04.110.

5.04.150 Refunds.

- (a) A licensee who believes that any tax, penalty, or interest has been illegally, erroneously, or mistakenly paid to, collected by, or otherwise received by the city may file a claim for a refund of the amount of tax, penalty, or interest claimed to have been improperly received by the city.

- (b) The claim must be filed with the Tax Collector and signed under penalty of perjury by the licensee. The claim must state:
 - (1) The legal and factual basis for the refund claim;
 - (2) The amount of tax, penalty, or interest allegedly improperly received by the City;
 - (3) The date or dates that the improper payments were made to the City; and
 - (4) The address of the claimant.
- (c) The claim must be filed with the Tax Collector within one year of the date of the allegedly improper payment to the city.
- (d) The Tax Collector must provide a written decision on the claim within 30 days of the filing of the claim by serving the decision on the claimant either personally or by U.S. mail to the address provided in the claim. Service is effective upon deposit of the response in the U.S. Mail.
- (e) A claimant may challenge the Tax Collector's decision on a refund claim under section 5.04.100.
- (f) This section does not apply to:
 - (1) A claim for a refund arising out of a decision of the Tax Collector or City Manager under sections 5.04.100, 5.04.110, 5.04.120 or 5.04.140.
 - (2) A claim that could have been asserted by the claimant, but was not, under sections 5.04.100, 5.04.110, 5.04.120 or 5.04.140.

5.04.160 Audits.

- (a) The Tax Collector may conduct an audit of any licensee to ensure proper compliance with the requirements of this article.
- (b) To initiate an audit the Tax Collector must provide written notice to the licensee that is the subject of the audit of the initiation of the audit by serving the notice personally or by U.S. mail to the most recent address for the licensee in the Tax Collector's records. The notice must state the period of time subject to the audit.
- (c) Notice of the initiation of an audit for a tax year for which an application for a business license under section 5.04.140 or section 5.040.20 was filed by the licensee must be served within three years of the last day of the tax year to which the application applied.
- (d) Notice of the initiation of an audit for a tax year for which an application for a business license was not filed by the licensee under section 5.04.160 or section 5.040.20, but for which the licensee did register as a business under another chapter of this code, must be served within five years of the last day of the tax year for which the application should have been filed.
- (e) Notice of the initiation of an audit for a tax year for which an application for a business license was not filed by the licensee under section 5.040.140 or section 5.040.20, and for which the licensee did not register as a business under another chapter of this code, must be served within 10 years of the last day of the tax year for which the application should have been filed.
- (f) Upon completion of an audit, the Tax Collector may make an Initial Determination under subdivision (a) of section 5.04.100 of any taxes, penalties, and interest determined to be owed and not paid for the audit period. If a licensee subject to audit is unable or unwilling to provide sufficient records to enable the Tax Collector to verify compliance with this article, the Tax Collector is authorized to make a reasonable estimate of the amount of tax due and the reasonable estimate shall be entitled to a rebuttable presumption of correctness.

5.04.170 Maintenance and Review of Records.

- (a) Licensees must maintain for six years records of gross receipts and other information necessary to calculate the tax. If the Tax Collector serves notice of the initiation of an audit, the information pertinent for the years subject to the audit must be maintained until the conclusion of the audit.
- (b) The Tax Collector may with reasonable notice inspect the records of the licensee.
- (c) The Tax Collector may request the City Council to issue an administrative subpoena for records of a licensee or other persons with relevant information.

5.040.180 Information to be Confidential.

It is unlawful for the Tax Collector or any person having an administrative duty under the provisions of this chapter to make known in any manner whatever the business affairs, operations, or information obtained by an investigation of records and equipment of any person visited or examined in the discharge of official duty, or the amount or source of income, profits, losses, expenditures, or any particular thereof, set forth in any statement or application, or to permit any statement or application, or copy of either, or any book containing any abstract or particulars thereof to be seen or examined by any person; provided, that nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent:

- (a) The disclosure to, or the examination of records and equipment by, another City official, employee, or agent for collection of taxes for the sole purpose of administering or enforcing any provisions of this chapter, or collecting taxes imposed under this chapter;
- (b) The disclosure of information to, or the examination of records by, Federal or State officials, or the tax officials of another city or county, or city and county, if a reciprocal arrangement exists, or to a grand jury or court of law, upon subpoena;
- (c) The disclosure of information and results of examination of records of particular taxpayers, or relating to particular taxpayers, to a court of law in a proceeding brought to determine the existence or amount of any license tax liability of the particular taxpayers to the City;
- (d) The disclosure, after the filing of a written request to that effect, to the taxpayer himself, or to his successors, receivers, trustees, executors, administrators, assignees and guarantors, if directly interested, of information as to the items included in the measure of any paid tax, any unpaid tax or amounts of tax required to be collected, interest and penalties; further provided, however, that the City Attorney approves each such disclosure and that the Collector may refuse to make any disclosure referred to in this subsection when in his opinion the public interest would suffer thereby;
- (e) The disclosure of the names and addresses of persons to whom licenses have been issued, and the general type or nature of their business;
- (f) The disclosure by way of public meeting or otherwise of such information as may be necessary to the City Council in order to permit it to be fully advised as to the facts when a taxpayer files a claim for refund of license taxes, or submits an offer of compromise with regard to a claim asserted against him by the City for license taxes, or when acting upon any other matter;
- (g) The disclosure of general statistics regarding taxes collected or business done in the City

5.04.190 Action to Collect Delinquent Taxes.

- (a) Any tax, penalty, and interest imposed on a licensee under this article is a debt owed by the licensee to the city, which may be recovered in an action filed by the city in a court of competent jurisdiction.
- (b) An action under this section must be filed within three years of an Initial Determination becoming final under section 5.04.100(b), the issuance of a Final Determination under section 5.04.100(d) that is not appealed, the issuance of a Final Determination under section 5.04.110(c) that is not appealed, or the issuance of a decision under section 5.04.120(d).
- (c) During the pendency of an action filed under this section, interest will continue to accrue under section 5.04.190 (b) until the entry of judgment.
- (d) The City Council may by resolution establish a collection fee to be imposed on any licensee against whom an action is filed under this section, which fee may be recovered in the action.

5.040.200 Rules and Regulations.

The Finance Director of the City may make such rules and regulations as are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Chapter of the Adelanto Municipal Code as are necessary or desirable to aid in the enforcement and administration of the provisions of said Chapter. When, by reason of the provisions of the Constitution of the United States or the Constitution of the State of California, the business tax imposed by this Chapter cannot be enforced without there being an apportionment according to the amount of business done within the City, or in the State, as the case may be, the Finance Director may make such rules and regulations for the apportionment of the taxes as are necessary or desirable to overcome the constitutional objections. Such rules, regulations, and apportionment thereunder shall be approved by the City Attorney prior to becoming effective.

5.040.210 Errors Not Binding On The City.

No error by the Tax Collector or any other officer, employee, or agent of the city in the application of this article shall prevent, prejudice, or estop the collection by or for the city of the full amount of tax owed by any person under this article.

SECTION 4. Severability.

If any section, subsection, part, clause, sentence or phrase of this Ordinance or the application thereof is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance, the application thereof and the tax imposed shall not be affected thereby, but shall remain in full force and effect, it being the intent of the People to adopt each and every section, subsection, part, clause, or phrase regardless of whether any other section, subsection, part, clause, or phrase or the application thereof is held to be invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 5. California Environmental Quality Act Requirements.

The City Council hereby determines that this Ordinance is not in-and-of-itself a "project" pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code section 21000 *et seq.*, including without limitation CEQA Guidelines 15378(b)(4) and 15061(b)(3), as it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the adoption of the ordinance itself may have a significant effect on the environment.

SECTION 6. Approval; Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon the following conditions: (i) approval of the ballot measure seeking approval of this Ordinance by a majority of the voters casting votes at the Election of the City of Adelanto to be held November 5, 2024; (ii) certification of all votes cast by the City Council confirming that a majority of voters have approved the ballot measure approving this Ordinance; and (iii) implementation of this Ordinance by City Council upon certification of the election results.

SECTION 7. Council Amendments.

This Ordinance may only be amended by a vote of the people if the amendment would result in the special tax being imposed, extended, or increased in a manner not authorized by this Ordinance as originally approved by the voters. The City Council of the City of Adelanto is hereby authorized to amend Chapter 5.04 of the Adelanto Municipal Code as adopted by this Ordinance in any manner that does not increase the tax rates, or otherwise constitute a tax increase for which voter approval is required by Article XIII C of the California Constitution.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this _ day of _____, _____.

Gabriel Reyes, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brenda Lopez, CMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Todd Litfin, City Attorney

**MEASURE S
CITY OF YUCAIPA**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE S

This Impartial Analysis of Measure S has been prepared by the City Attorney pursuant to Section 9280 of the California Elections Code.

On June 24, 2024, the City Council voted to place Measure "S" on the November 5, 2024 general municipal election ballot. By placing Measure "S" on the ballot, the City of Yucaipa complies with the California Constitution, which requires a majority of the voters to approve an ordinance that establishes a general tax.

If approved by a majority of Yucaipa voters, this Measure would authorize a one percent (1%) retail transactions and use (sales) tax within the City of Yucaipa. A one percent (1%) rate equates to an extra 1¢ per \$1 purchased of taxable goods. Exempted from sales tax are unprocessed groceries, rent, prescription medicine and personal services such as medical, dental, and legal. It is estimated that Measure "S" will provide an additional \$6,000,000 in annual local funding that could be used for maintaining and preventing service level reductions to general City services such as police, fire, paramedic, 911 response, crime and gang prevention, street and pothole repairs, homelessness prevention, parks and recreation facilities, and programs for youth, seniors and afterschool. This tax would be a "general tax," meaning that revenues raised from the tax would go into the City's general fund to pay for any lawful City program, improvement, or service.

California Revenue and Taxation Code section 7285.9 authorizes the City to levy a general transactions and use tax at a rate of one percent (1%) so long as the tax is approved by a majority of the voters voting in an election on that issue. If approved, the tax would remain in effect until ended by Yucaipa voters voting at a subsequent election. The tax would be paid in addition to current sales taxes and would be collected at the same time and in the same manner as existing sales taxes. All revenues raised by the tax would remain in the City and would not be shared with the State, County, or any other agency. The revenues and expenditures generated by the tax would be subject to the same independent audit requirements as other city revenues and expenditures and be subject to review by a citizen oversight committee.

A "yes" vote on Measure "S" will authorize the 1% transactions and use (sales) tax.

A "no" vote on Measure "S" will not authorize the 1% transactions and use (sales) tax.

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure "S". If you desire a copy of the Measure, please visit <https://yucaipa.gov/elections-and-voter-information/> or call the City Clerk's Office at 909-797-2489 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.

s/ Steven Graham Pacifico
City Attorney

Dated: July 12, 2024

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE S

This Argument in Favor of Measure S was submitted pursuant to Section 9282 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

Politicians representing other regions of the state continue to take our local funding and add expensive regulations and bureaucracy to cities like ours, forcing Yucaipa to make severe budget cuts. Enough!

Voting YES on S keeps our taxpayer dollars IN YUCAIPA to prevent devastating cuts to our local firefighters, police beat officers, and quality of life services like road and street repair.

In an emergency, seconds count. 80% of calls to our Fire Department are for heart attacks, strokes, car accidents and other medical emergencies. Yet our local firefighters and paramedics are using aging technology, equipment, and protective clothing.

Yes on S prevents cuts to Firefighters. Your Yes on S vote maintains and upgrades the firefighting equipment and tools our Paramedics and First Responders need to quickly respond to any medical or fire emergency, saving lives.

In the last year alone, there were over 700 robberies, burglaries, and auto thefts in Yucaipa. We can't afford to cut half our police force, close a fire station or reduce firefighter and paramedic staffing. Our families don't deserve to have our community pool, senior center or parks closed. If they're closed, it will only attract more crime and homelessness to these locations while eliminating the after-school and senior programs our residents need. Take action now!

Vote Yes on S to restore Yucaipa services that Keep Us Safe and Protect Our Community. By law, ALL Measure S funds are required to be spent IN YUCAIPA, for US.

Yes on S is Fiscally Accountable, including a citizen oversight committee, public disclosure of all spending and annual independent audits.

PROTECT OUR SAFETY, NEIGHBORHOODS, AND COMMUNITY! Join Yucaipa Public Safety, Business and Neighborhood Leaders from every neighborhood – YES ON MEASURE S!

For official information about Measure S, visit: yucaipa.gov/safeandsecure.

s/ Shannon D. Dicus, Sheriff

s/ Grant Malinowski, Fire Chief for Yucaipa

s/ Justin A. Beaver, Mayor of Yucaipa

s/ Anthony Hernandez, President, Yucaipa Chamber of Commerce

s/ David Avila, Former Yucaipa Mayor / Retired Firefighter

**MEASURE T
CITY OF FONTANA**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE T

This Impartial Analysis of Measure T has been prepared by the City Attorney pursuant to Section 9280 of the California Elections Code.

On July 9, 2024, the City Council unanimously voted to place Measure "T" on the November 5, 2024 general municipal election ballot. By placing Measure "T" on the ballot, the City complies with Article XIII C of the California Constitution (Proposition 218), which requires a majority of the voters to approve an ordinance that establishes a general tax.

If approved by a majority of Fontana voters, this Measure would authorize a one percent (1%) retail transactions and use (sales) tax within the City of Fontana. A one percent (1%) rate equates to an extra \$1 per \$100 purchased. It is estimated that Measure "T" will provide an additional \$46,000,000 in annual local funding that could be used for maintaining general City services such as 9-1-1 response and fire/police protection programs; recruiting/retaining police officers; street and pothole repair; homelessness programs; drinking water quality programs; and cleaning and maintaining public parks and other areas. This tax would be a "general tax," meaning that revenues raised from the tax would go into the City's general fund to pay for any lawful City program, improvement, or service.

California Revenue and Taxation Code section 7285.9 authorizes the City to levy a general transactions and use/sales tax at a rate of one percent (1%) so long as the tax is approved by a majority of the voters voting in an election on that issue. If approved, the tax would remain in effect until ended by Fontana voters voting at a subsequent election.

The tax would be paid in addition to current sales taxes and would be collected at the same time and in the same manner as existing sales taxes. All revenues raised by the tax would remain in the City and would not be shared with the State, County or any other agency.

A "yes" vote on Measure "T" will authorize the 1% transactions and use (sales) tax.

A "no" vote on Measure "T" will not authorize the 1% transactions and use (sales) tax.

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure "T". If you desire a copy of the Measure, please call the City's elections official at (909) 350-7655 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.

/s/ RUBEN DURAN
City Attorney

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE T

This Argument in Favor of Measure T was submitted pursuant to Section 9282 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

Vote YES on Measure T to protect our quality of life and keep Fontana clean, safe and strong.

Fontana is a dynamic city with a thriving modern economy, committed to maintaining a family-friendly environment rich in opportunities and community recreation. That is why we need Measure T.

Thousands of Fontana children and youth rely on City-run and supervised afterschool and summer programs, as well as gang prevention programs for at-risk youth. Measure T helps fund programs to keep our kids off the streets, safe, and away from gangs.

When you have an emergency, seconds count. Measure T is critical to maintaining existing levels of services so our police and firefighter/ paramedics are available when needed.

Independent engineers rated over 20% of Fontana's streets as "very poor," "poor," or "marginal" and their condition has worsened. Measure T helps keep up with basic repairs and maintenance to public facilities, storm drains and sidewalks — repairs that will only get more expensive if we don't address them now.

Measure T ensures out-of-town visitors pay for their share of police, fire, street repairs and other services when they are in our city.

Measure T is Transparent and Accountable

- All funds must support Fontana services – the State can't take a penny of Measure T
- Independent citizens' oversight and annual reports to the community are required
- Essentials like groceries and medicine are exempt

We need Measure T to protect public safety services and maintain the quality of life our residents deserve.

Vote YES on T: Keep Fontana Safe and Strong

- Maintain 911 response times and support paramedic services
- Prevent property crimes
- Support after-school and gang prevention programs
- Keep public areas and parks safe and clean
- Maintain police and fire facilities and equipment
- Fix potholes and repair streets

Join local business owners, public safety officials and neighbors: vote YES on T!

s/ Jeff Birchfield, Fire Chief

s/ Michael Dorsey, Police Chief

s/ Janet Koehler-Brooks, City Treasurer

s/ Josh LaBarge, Housing Advocate

s/ Terrie Schneider, Community Leader

**MEASURE Y
TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE Y

This Impartial Analysis of Measure Y has been prepared by the Town Attorney pursuant to Section 9280 of the California Elections Code.

At the November 2016 statewide general election the voters of the Town of Yucca Valley approved Measure Y establishing a one-half cent (0.5%) transactions and use tax. Measure Y is also known as the "Town of Yucca Valley Essential Services Transactions and Use Tax Ordinance." Measure Y included an expiration date for the tax of ten years after the date the tax was first imposed. The Town Council of the Town of Yucca Valley has placed a measure on the November 2024 statewide general election ballot to eliminate the expiration date and allow the tax to be levied until such time as ended by voters. This second ballot measure is also known as Measure Y.

No changes to the existing one-half cent (0.5%) transactions and use tax are proposed by Measure Y other than to eliminate the expiration date.

If Measure Y is approved by a majority of the voters at the November 2024 election, the existing one-half cent (0.5%) transactions and use tax will continue to be levied on the retail sale of tangible property in the Town and on the storage, use or other consumption of tangible personal property in the Town past the current expiration date of the tax of March 31, 2027.

The tax imposed by Measure Y generates approximately \$3 million a year in funding for the Town. The tax is a general tax that can be used by the Town for any general government purpose, including but not limited to public safety, parks and recreation, and streets and sidewalks. If Measure Y is not approved, the Town will lose this source of funding after March 31, 2027.

Measure Y includes provisions requiring an annual independent audit of the tax proceeds and the appointment of an independent citizens' oversight committee that reviews the expenditure of the tax proceeds.

DATED: August 16, 2024

Thomas D. Jex
Town Attorney, Town of Yucca Valley

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure Y. If you desire a copy of the measure, please call the Town Clerk's office at (760) 369-7207 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you. You may also view the Full Text of Measure Y at www.yucca-valley.org.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE Y

This Argument in Favor of Measure Y was submitted pursuant to Section 9282 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

Vote YES on Y and Z – Keep Yucca Valley Safe and Clean, without raising taxes!

YES on Y, reauthorizes existing, voter-approved funding for our essential local services and priorities with NO tax increase. By law, **Measure Y** funds CAN'T BE TAKEN BY OUT-OF-TOWN POLITICIANS and **must be spent LOCALLY** to benefit our residents.

YES on Y ensures we have enough police officers and dispatchers, and maintains our quick responses times for 911 emergencies, critical for saving lives.

We need **YES on Y** for our PARKS and STREETS:

- **YES on Y** ensures our parks, playfields, open space and community facilities are safe, clean, and well-maintained.
- **YES on Y** fixes potholes and paves our streets and roads.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR – Continued on next page

A YES Vote on Measure Y will also continue:

- Supporting fire protection services.
- Removing graffiti and clean-up piles of trash on streets, sidewalks, and public areas.
- Repairing aging infrastructure including streets and roads, sidewalks, and public facilities.

Measure Z, also on your ballot, will keep Yucca Valley affordable and continue lowering the local sewer cost for residents.

Measures Y and Z both contain **STRICT FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY!** Every penny is watchdogged by a citizens' oversight committee, independent audits, and public disclosure of how all funds are spent.

YES on Y and Z are win-wins for our community! More than half of the money raised by these measures come from out-of-town visitors, but stay here and are used for **OUR** local infrastructure and services, ensuring tourists pay their fair share while visiting our town.

Here's what Measures Y and Z are NOT:

- Measure Y and Z are NOT tax increases.
- Measure Y and Z are NOT taxes on your home or property.
- Measure Y and Z are NOT applied to prescription medicine or food purchased as groceries.

For Official Measures Y and Z Information: www.yucca-valley.org

s/ Robert Lombardo, Mayor, Town of Yucca Valley
s/ Kendyl Gumbish, Teacher/MBYSA Coach
s/ Wanda Stadum, CEO, Yucca Valley Chamber of Commerce
s/ Lori Herbel, Chair, Revenue Oversight Commission
s/ Dr. Bart Pedersen, 40+ Year Resident/Taxpayer

FULL TEXT FOR MEASURE Y

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 3.26 OF THE YUCCA VALLEY MUNICIPAL CODE TO CONTINUE THE TOWN'S TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX UNTIL ENDED BY VOTERS

WHEREAS, the Town of Yucca Valley provides excellent community services and maintains a strong quality of life for local residents; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 3.26 of the Yucca Valley Municipal Code was approved by the voters at the November 2016 general election ("Measure Y") and establishes the Town of Yucca Valley's Transactions and Use Tax (the "Tax") and provides that the Tax will expire soon, ten years after the initial operative date, which was April 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Measure Y provides funds that must be spent in Yucca Valley for essential local services and by law can't be taken by the State; and

WHEREAS, unless reauthorized, the Town will lose local funding for essential services, including providing responses to 911 emergencies; removing graffiti and cleaning-up piles of trash dumped along streets, sidewalks, and public areas; and repairing aging infrastructure including sidewalks and public facilities; and

WHEREAS, Measure Y provides funding for police officers to respond to 911 emergencies and other calls for police service; and

WHEREAS, Measure Y helps keep our 278 acres of parks, playfields, and open space and other community facilities safe, clean, and well-maintained; fix potholes and maintain/pave our 156 miles of streets/roads; and

WHEREAS, if reauthorized, Measure Y will not raise tax rates. It simply continues existing voter-approved funding passed by voters in 2016 and continues existing fiscal accountability provisions: citizen oversight, independent audits, and public disclosure of how all funds are spent; and

WHEREAS, Measure Y sales tax is not applied to food purchased as groceries or prescription medicine; and

WHEREAS, According to economist Dr. John Husing's 2016 Yucca Valley's Retail Sales & Impact of Sales Tax Revenues Report, approximately one-half of the money raised by Measure Y comes from out-of-town visitors who make purchases in Town, which ensures they contribute toward the cost of infrastructure and services they use while in the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Tax is levied on the retail sale of tangible personal property and the storage, use or other consumption of tangible personal property in the Town; and

WHEREAS, the proposed ballot measure would continue to levy the Tax unless and until the electorate votes to repeal the Tax; and

WHEREAS, the existing Tax is levied at the rate of one-half cent per dollar (0.5%) and the proposed ballot measure does not change the Tax rate; and

WHEREAS, Article XIII C, section 2(b) of the California Constitution requires that any general tax, such as the Tax, must be approved by a majority vote of the voters voting on the issue; and

WHEREAS, Article XIII C, section 2(b) of the California Constitution requires that an election by the voters to approve a general tax must be consolidated with a statewide general election at which members of the Town Council will be elected; and

WHEREAS, November 5, 2024 is the date of the next statewide general election at which members of the Town Council will be elected.

THE PEOPLE OF THE TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. CHAPTER 3.26 AMENDED. The following amendments are made to Chapter 3.26 of the Yucca Valley Municipal Code, with deletions shown in strikethrough and additions shown in underline:

A. Chapter 3.26 is renamed as follows:

"~~Temporary~~ Transactions and Use Tax."

B. Section 3.26.020 (Basic Definitions) is amended as follows:

"As used in this chapter, "Town" means the Town of Yucca Valley and "tax" means the ~~temporary~~ transactions and use tax (general tax) imposed under the provisions of this chapter."

C. Section 3.26.040 (Purpose) is amended as follows:

"This chapter is adopted to achieve the following, among other purposes, and directs that the provisions hereof be interpreted in order to accomplish those purposes:

A. To impose a ~~temporary~~ retail transactions and use tax in accordance with the provisions of part 1.6 (commencing with section 7251) of division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code and section 7285.9 of part 1.7 of division 2, which authorizes the Town to adopt this chapter which shall be operative only if a majority of the electors voting on the measure vote to approve the imposition of the tax at an election called for that purpose.

B. To adopt a ~~temporary~~ retail transactions and use tax (general tax) ordinance that incorporates provisions identical to those of the Sales and Use Tax Law of the State of California insofar as those provisions are not inconsistent with the requirements and limitations contained in part 1.6 of division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

C. To adopt a ~~temporary~~ retail transactions and use tax ordinance that imposes a general tax and provides a measure therefor that may be administered and collected by the State Board of Equalization in a manner that adapts itself as fully as practicable to, and requires the least possible deviation from, the existing statutory and administrative procedures followed by the State Board of Equalization in administering and collecting the California State sales and use taxes.

D. To adopt a ~~temporary~~ retail transactions and use tax ordinance that may be administered in a manner that will be, to the greatest degree possible, consistent with the provisions of part 1.6 of division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, minimize the cost of collecting the transactions and use taxes, and at the same time, minimize the burden of record keeping upon persons subject to taxation under the provisions of this chapter."

D. Section 3.26.200 (Termination Date) is hereby repealed in its entirety.

~~"The authority to levy the tax imposed by this chapter shall expire ten (10) years from the operative date."~~

SECTION 2. CEQA. This activity is not a "Project" as defined under Section 15378(b)(4) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines because it is a financing decision without commitment to a specific project that may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment; therefore, pursuant to Section 15060(c)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines, the actions proposed are not subject to CEQA.

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Ordinance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provision of this Ordinance, which shall remain in effect absent the provision held to be invalid, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

SECTION 4. ELECTION REQUIRED; EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be submitted to the voters at the regular municipal election to be held on November 5, 2024. This ordinance shall not become operative unless and until a majority of the electors voting on the measure vote to approve this ordinance, in which case this ordinance shall go into effect ten (10) days after the date on which the election results are declared by the Town Council.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY AT THE REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD ON THE 5TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2024.

ATTEST:

Lesley Copeland, Town Clerk

**MEASURE Z
TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE Z

This Impartial Analysis of Measure Z has been prepared by the Town Attorney pursuant to Section 9280 of the California Elections Code.

At the November 2016 statewide general election the voters of the Town of Yucca Valley approved Measure Z establishing a one-half cent (0.5%) transactions and use tax. Measure Z is also known as the "Town of Yucca Valley Sewer Implementation and Assessment Assistance Transactions and Use Tax Ordinance." Measure Z included an expiration date for the tax of ten years after the date the tax was first imposed. The Town Council of the Town of Yucca Valley has placed a measure on the November 2024 statewide general election ballot to extend the expiration date for an additional ten years. This second ballot measure is also known as Measure Z.

No changes to the existing one-half cent (0.5%) transactions and use tax are proposed by Measure Z other than to extend the expiration date for an additional ten years.

If Measure Z is approved by two-thirds of the electors voting at the November 2024 election, the existing one-half cent (0.5%) transactions and use tax will continue to be levied on the retail sale of tangible property in the Town and on the storage, use or other consumption of tangible personal property in the Town until March 31, 2037. The current expiration date of the tax is March 31, 2027.

The tax imposed by Measure Z generates approximately \$3 million a year in funding for the Town. The tax is a special tax that can only be used by the Town to subsidize the assessments that are levied upon real property within the Town to pay for the sewer project implementation. The funds raised by Measure Z currently reduce the assessments by approximately 50%. If Measure Z is not approved, the existing expiration date will remain in place and after March 31, 2027 the Town will lose this dedicated source of funding to subsidize the sewer project implementation assessments.

Measure Z includes provisions requiring an annual independent audit of the tax proceeds and the appointment of an independent citizens' oversight committee that reviews the expenditure of the tax proceeds.

DATED: August 16, 2024

Thomas D. Jex
Town Attorney, Town of Yucca Valley

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE Z

This Argument in Favor of Measure Z was submitted pursuant to Section 9282 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

Vote YES on Y and Z – Maintain Our Local Quality of Life, without raising taxes!

YES on Z = Keeps Our Sewer Costs LOW!

Since approving Measure Z in 2016, residents have benefited from a **50% COST REDUCTION** for local sewer assessments.

Yes on Z does **NOT** increase taxes, but simply continues the existing voter-approved funding to lower sewer costs that ensure a safe, clean, reliable water supply.

By law, **ALL Measure Z funds must be spent LOCALLY** and are used to lower residents' sewer assessment bills. **Measure Z funds CAN'T BE TAKEN BY OUT-OF-TOWN POLITICIANS!**

We need **YES on Z** to keep our community affordable – without it, our sewer bills will double! All residents benefit from **YES on Z**, including renters who will continue enjoying savings from lower pass-through costs from landlords.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR – Continued on next page

Measure Y, also on your ballot, is a separate reauthorization measure to keep Yucca Valley safe and clean. **YES on Y** supports our essential Town services: 911 emergency response, public safety, and parks/street maintenance.

Measures Y and Z continue their **STRICT FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY!** Every penny is watchdogged by a citizens' oversight committee, independent audits, and public disclosure of how all funds are spent.

YES on Y and Z are win-wins for our community! More than half of the money raised by these measures come from out-of-town visitors, but are used for OUR local infrastructure and services, ensuring tourists pay their fair share while visiting our town.

Here's what Measures Y and Z are NOT:

- Measure Y and Z are NOT tax increases.
- Measure Y and Z are NOT taxes on your home or property.
- Measure Y and Z are NOT applied to prescription medicine or food purchased as groceries.

For Official Measures Y and Z Information: www.yucca-valley.org

s/ Robert Lombardo, Mayor, Town of Yucca Valley

s/ Kendyl Gumbish, Teacher/MBYSA Coach

s/ Wanda Stadum, CEO, Yucca Valley Chamber of Commerce

s/ Lori Herbel, Chair, Revenue Oversight Commission

s/ Dr. Bart Pedersen, 40+ Year Resident/Taxpayer

FULL TEXT FOR MEASURE Z

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 3.28 OF THE YUCCA VALLEY MUNICIPAL CODE TO CONTINUE FOR TEN YEARS THE TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY SEWER IMPLEMENTATION AND ASSESSMENT ASSISTANCE TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the Town of Yucca Valley provides excellent community services and maintains a strong quality of life for local residents; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 3.28 of the Yucca Valley Municipal Code was approved by the voters at the November 2016 general election ("Measure Z") and establishes the Town of Yucca Valley's Sewer Implementation and Assessment Assistance Transactions and Use Tax Ordinance (the "Tax") and provides that the Tax will expire soon, ten years after the initial operative date, which was April 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Measure Z provides funds that must be spent in Yucca Valley for water/sewer infrastructure, and by law, can't be taken by the State; and

WHEREAS, Measure Z provides funding to pay for the sewer system that ensures a safe, clean, reliable water supply, and without reauthorization, the cost of sewer assessment would increase by approximately 50% for residents; and

WHEREAS, if continued, this measure will not raise tax rates. It simply continues existing voter-approved funding passed by voters in 2016 and continues existing fiscal accountability provisions: citizens' oversight, independent audits, and public disclosure of how all funds are spent; and

WHEREAS, Measure Z sales tax is not applied to food purchased as groceries or prescription medicine; and

WHEREAS, According to economist Dr. John Husing's 2016 Yucca Valley's Retail Sales & Impact of Sales Tax Revenues Report, approximately one-half of the money raised by Measure Z comes from out-of-town visitors who make purchases in Town, which ensures they contribute toward the cost of infrastructure and services they use while in the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Tax is levied on the retail sale of tangible personal property and the storage, use or other consumption of tangible personal property in the Town and provides funding that is dedicated toward subsidizing assessments levied upon Town citizens for sewer project implementation; and

WHEREAS, the proposed ballot measure would continue the current expiration date of March 31, 2027 for the Tax to March 31, 2037; and

WHEREAS, the existing Tax is levied at the rate of one-half cent per dollar (0.5%) and the proposed ballot measure does not change the Tax rate; and

WHEREAS, Article XIII C, section 2(d) of the California Constitution requires that any special tax, such as the Tax, must be approved by a two-thirds vote of the voters voting on the issue.

THE PEOPLE OF THE TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. CHAPTER 3.28 AMENDED. The following amendments are made to Chapter 3.28 of the Yucca Valley Municipal Code, with deletions shown in strikethrough and additions shown in underline:

A. Section 3.28.190 (Termination Date) is amended as follows:

"The authority to levy the special tax imposed by this chapter shall expire ~~ten~~ twenty (420) years from the operative date."

SECTION 2. CEQA. This activity is not a "Project" as defined under Section 15378(b)(4) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines because it is a financing decision without commitment to a specific project that may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment; therefore, pursuant to Section 15060(c)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines, the actions proposed are not subject to CEQA.

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Ordinance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provision of this Ordinance, which shall remain in effect absent the provision held to be invalid, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

SECTION 4. ELECTION REQUIRED; EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be submitted to the voters at the regular municipal election to be held on November 5, 2024. This ordinance shall not become operative unless and until two-thirds of the electors voting on the measure vote to approve this ordinance, in which case this ordinance shall go into effect ten (10) days after the date on which the election results are declared by the Town Council.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY AT THE REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD ON THE 5TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2024.

ATTEST:

Lesley Copeland, Town Clerk

**MEASURE U
BEAR VALLEY COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE DISTRICT**

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE U

This Impartial Analysis of Measure U has been prepared by the County Counsel pursuant to Section 9313 of the California Elections Code.

This Measure was placed on the ballot by a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Bear Valley Community Healthcare District (District). A "yes" vote by at least two-thirds of the voters voting on this Measure will authorize the District to extend, without increasing, its expiring parcel tax. A "no" vote means that the District will not renew the parcel tax and the tax will expire on June 30, 2025.

The District's Resolution No. 24-477 was adopted pursuant to Government Code sections 53720-53730.02 and Elections Code section 10400. The Measure will renew the existing parcel tax which expires on June 30, 2025 for 10 additional years.

The existing parcel tax was approved by the voters in the District in 1999 and renewed by the voters in 2003 and 2014. The amount of the parcel tax is currently set by the District by resolution annually in an amount that does not exceed on an annual basis \$20.00 per parcel of unimproved taxable real property within the District and \$45.00 per parcel of improved taxable real property within the District. The tax imposed by this Measure shall be a special tax upon all unimproved and improved parcels of real property in the District and will not be measured by the value of the property.

Beginning July 1, 2025 the special tax will be collected by San Bernardino County on behalf of the Bear Valley Community Healthcare District at the same time other charges and taxes are collected. The District will create a designated account into which the proceeds of the tax will be deposited. The Board of Directors of the District will file an annual report accounting for the tax collected and the way it was spent.

TOM BUNTON
County Counsel
s/ JOLENA E. GRIDER
Deputy County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE U

This Argument in Favor of Measure U was submitted pursuant to Section 9315 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

WITHOUT raising your tax rate – VOTE YES on U to PROTECT local access to life-saving medical emergency and healthcare services at Bear Valley Community Hospital.

For over 50 years, victims of accidents, heart attacks, strokes and other medical emergencies on the mountain have relied on **Bear Valley Community Hospital** for life-saving emergency medical care and other healthcare services. This hospital is YOUR hospital – the local residents of Big Bear Valley own it.

Three previous times (in 1994, 2003 and 2014) Bear Valley voters have overwhelmingly approved this vital funding to **keep our local hospital OPEN, especially since Bear Valley Community Hospital operates the ONLY Emergency Room (ER) open 24/7 on the mountain.** You know, as we do, that every second counts in a medical emergency and quick access to medical help when you need it most, SAVES LIVES.

Measure U WON'T raise your tax rates. It simply extends, **without increasing**, existing funding already approved by voters three times before.

Measure U continues hospital funding to:

- Maintain local access to life-saving emergency medical care
- Keep the hospital's medical technology and equipment up-to-date
- Attract quality doctors, nurses and medical specialists to serve our community
- Increase access to advanced medical care and treatments

ALL Measure U funds (100%) stay local, dedicated to Bear Valley Community Hospital. The State CANNOT take this funding away.

STRICT TAXPAYER PROTECTIONS ARE MANDATORY – including a clear system of accountability and annual financial audits to ensure the money is spent properly.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR – Continued on next page

No one knows when a life-threatening medical emergency or natural disaster will strike our mountain community. Measure U helps ensure that emergency medical care close to home is accessible when you need it most.

Join us and local doctors, nurses, EMTs, firefighters, former patients, and residents across Bear Valley VOTING YES on U for BearValleyCommunityHospital.

Keep our ER open – VOTE YES on U !

s/ Peter Boss, Board Member
s/ Catherine Herrick, BVUSD Board Member/Business Owner
s/ Helen Walsh, Rotarian /BUCHD Foundation Board
s/ Steven Knapik, Physician
s/ Beth Wheat, President

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE U

This Rebuttal to Argument in Favor of Measure U was submitted pursuant to Section 9317 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

As We the People of Big Bear consider this special tax, we should keep in mind that this extra tax is ON TOP OF our regular property taxes, that the hospital receives.

Everything the hospital does will continue, without this additional tax, that the corporations have devised. The hospital makes a big profit on its services, without this extra property tax.

The hospital district CEO (who works for the Tennessee corporation) ran out of a recent government meeting, when faced with the truth. They don't want us to know what they're actually doing.

The sales pitch they feed us comes from the same campaign organization that tried to sell us the failed fire tax. We were told that fire stations would close, but they didn't. Instead the fire department just bought a \$1.8 Million fire truck! Same here, they say they need our money, but it's just the "Story of NEED" the corporations cooked up. They think we are stupid hicks.

Our property taxes go to a huge private equity group in New York City. We've heard of "Big Pharma", this is "Big Medical". Multi-Billion dollar corporations find little towns to suck money out of.

If we Vote NO on Measure "U", our taxes will DECREASE!

The hospital district made over 6 Million dollars in profit just this year; and holds over 43 Million dollars in reserves!

We the People have the power to save Big Bear from corporate greed.

See the documents <https://www.facebook.com/BigBearTaxpayersAssociation>

VOTE NO on Measure "U".

s/ Joseph Kelly, Big Bear Taxpayers Association

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE U

This Argument Against Measure U was submitted pursuant to Section 9315 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

This government agency does not need this tax. Latest figures, from official documents, show that this hospital district has \$43,664,443 in reserves! Yes, Millions!

Using our tax dollars, they have paid a San Francisco campaign corporation to develop what they call a "Story of NEED", to help pass this tax.

The slick "Story of NEED" ignores the fact the hospital is very profitable, with a surplus this year of \$6,042,868, a 9% margin! This agency is effectively a business, taking our tax money. Tens of Million\$ are skimmed off the top, going to a huge corporation in Tennessee! The hospital has "lawyered up" and refuses to show how much it pays to the out-of-state corporation.

An independent investigation found that this agency has violated the law for at least the last 10 years, by not reporting how the money is spent; and, failed to keep our tax dollars in a legally required separate bank account for the existing special tax. They promised to follow the law 10 years ago, but they didn't. Now they want us to reward them for their failures, with another \$1.2 Million per year of our hard earned money.

Despite the "Story of NEED" the corporations dreamed up, the hospital will be able to perform everything actually needed, without this tax measure. The fact that they haven't told us how they spent the money for the last 10 years, as required by law, shows that they don't care about accountability; it's about the money.

What I'm telling you are verifiable facts, not a "Story" as they have developed. A local government hospital shouldn't be a money funnel to an out-of-state corporation.

Learn more at Big Bear Taxpayers Association on Facebook.

This tax measure deserves a No vote.

s/ Joseph Kelly, Big Bear Taxpayers Association

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE U

This Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure U was submitted pursuant to Section 9317 of the California Elections Code. It is the opinion of the author(s), and has been printed exactly as submitted.

We couldn't disagree more with our angry opponent and his angry, inaccurate rant. Clearly, he hasn't done his homework or he would know, as we do, that **Measure U is absolutely needed.**

Here are THE FACTS:

FACT: Measure U is about ONE THING: maintaining access to LIFE- SAVING emergency and acute medical care in BearValley.

FACT: BearValleyCommunityHospital is the ONLY hospital on the mountain, **operating the ONLY ER open 24/7.** The next full service hospital is over an hour away.

FACT: When you need emergency medical care, YOU NEED IT FAST. Seconds can mean the difference between life and death. Measure U helps ensure CONTINUED rapid access to advanced life- saving medical care when we need it most.

FACT: BigBear can easily be cut off from outside help during major earthquakes, fires, or other disasters. We NEED a full- service hospital so local residents get medical care during emergencies like these.

FACT: EVERY Measure U penny stays in BearValley to provide emergency medical and healthcare services. These funds CAN'T be taken away by the State or used for other purposes.

FACT: Measure U WON'T raise your tax rate. It simply extends, **WITHOUT increasing** the modest assessment - \$45 annually per improved property (\$20 unimproved) - approved by voters three times before over the past 40 years, **KEEPING THE TAX RATE THE SAME.**

Opposing Measure U won't change angry minds; it only punishes **BearValley** residents who rely on (our could in the future!) our **BearValleyCommunityHospital.**

Keep our ER open – VOTE YES!

s/ Janet Dooley, Homeowner

s/ Christie Walker, Homeowner

s/ Robert Bos, Homeowner

s/ Shannon Barbour, EMT- BVCHD

s/ Heather Devito, Physical Therapist

FULL TEXT FOR MEASURE U

The following is the full proposition presented to the voters by the Bear Valley Community Healthcare District (BVCHD).

"To continue maintaining local access to life-saving emergency medical care at Bear Valley Community Hospital, keep hospital medical technology/equipment up-to-date, and ensure the hospital has enough qualified doctors and nurses, shall Bear Valley Community Healthcare District extend without increasing its expiring parcel tax (\$20 for unimproved parcels, \$45 for improved) for 10 years only, with annual independent financial audits, no money for administrators, all funds dedicated to hospital services in Big Bear Valley?"

SECTION 1: KEY FACTS

The Bear Valley Community Healthcare District is committed to insuring strong, high-quality healthcare to the Big Bear Valley population and visitors to the Valley.

- The measure presented is a renewal of a parcel tax first approved by voters in 1994. It was subsequently extended by voters in 2003 and 2014.
- Since its inception in 1994, the tax has not been increased.
- The measure generates \$1.2 million that is integral to the hospital operations, community safety, health and wellness.
- The proposed renewal remains at \$45 per improved parcel and \$20 per unimproved parcel.
- The funds generated from the measure will be put in a segregated account to be used only for voter-approved purposes and will be subject to an annual report on the receipt and use of the funds that will be available to the public.
- Funds generated from the measure will go towards:
 1. Maintaining access to state-of-the-art medical technologies and equipment, including those used in the treatment of victims of accidents/strokes/heart attacks.
 2. Maintaining critical, clinical, qualified nurses and physicians at Bear Valley Community Healthcare District.
- Funds generated from the measure will not go towards administrator salaries.

SUMMARY

Rural health care facilities experience heightened financial challenges amid persisting workforce shortages, rising costs and leveling reimbursement. (Becker's Hospital Review, March 21, 2024.)

Bear Valley Community Healthcare District, which operates a rural, critical access hospital (one of 37 in California), in July, celebrated its 50th year serving the Big Bear Valley Community. Revenue from special tax proceeds for the last 30 years has allowed the District to meet the challenges of rising costs for labor and technology, including recruiting and retaining high-quality physicians, specialists, and nurses.

Due to fires, snowstorms, earthquakes and other hazards and natural disasters, the continued operation of BVCHD with skilled physicians, nurses, and modern equipment and technology ensures the quality of life and well-being of Big Bear Valley residents. Through continued financial stewardship, the District has allowed for no increase to the parcel tax in its 30-year existence, but it remains a vital financial component of operating critical healthcare services for the community.

General Information

Assistance for Voters with Disabilities

The Registrar of Voters provides a number of services to increase access and encourage participation by voters with disabilities. Contact the Registrar of Voters office at (909) 387-8300 or (800) 881-VOTE for assistance.

Polling Places and Early Vote Sites

Polling places and Early Vote sites have accessible paths of travel, accessible parking and include the following resources:

- Accessible ballot marking devices, including audio and large text options
- Assistance by poll workers
- Handheld magnifying glasses
- Signature guide cards
- Wheelchair accessible voting booths

Additionally, you may bring one or two persons to assist you with marking your ballot.

Curbside Voting

Voters with disabilities may take advantage of our easy-to-navigate curbside voting option. Follow these instructions:

1. At your assigned polling place, park in the location designated for curbside voting.
2. Use your cellphone to call for curbside voting assistance. The phone number is printed on the curbside voting sign. Be ready to provide the name of your polling place and make, model and color of your vehicle to the operator.
3. Sit back and relax. Poll workers will be out to assist you soon.

Website Accessibility

The Registrar of Voters' website provides screen-reader accessible information for voters, including Voter Information Guides and ballots.

Remote Accessible Vote-by-Mail

Voters may use their computer to access and vote using an accessible ballot. Once selections are marked, voters will print their ballot, place it in an envelope, and return it to the Registrar of Voters main office, a Polling Place, Mail Ballot Drop-off location or Early Vote site. Visit the Registrar of Voters' website at **Elections.SBCounty.gov/Elections/2024/1105**.

Disability Rights California (DRC)

DRC operates a Voting Hotline year-round, Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to assist voters with disabilities. On Election Day, the Voting Hotline is available from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Call (888) 569-7955.

Language Assistance for Voters

Language assistance and sample ballots are available in Chinese, Indonesian, Korean, Tagalog, Thai, and Vietnamese at all County voting sites. To request a translated sample ballot, call (909) 387-8300 or email MailBallots@rov.sbcounty.gov by October 29. You may also view a translated sample ballot at Elections.SBCounty.gov/Voting/ByMail. At the polling place, you may bring one or two persons to assist you with marking your ballot.

所有县投票站均提供中文、印尼语、韩语、他加禄语、泰语和越南语的语言援助和样本选票。如需索取翻译后的样本选票，请在 10 月 29 日前致电 (909) 387-8300 或发送电子邮件至 MailBallots@rov.sbcounty.gov。您还可以在 Elections.SBCounty.gov/Voting/ByMail 查看翻译后的样本选票。在投票站，您可以带一到两个人来协助您标记选票。

Bantuan bahasa dan contoh surat suara tersedia dalam bahasa Cina, Indonesia, Korea, Tagalog, Thailand, dan Vietnam di semua tempat pemungutan suara di Kabupaten. Untuk meminta contoh surat suara yang diterjemahkan, hubungi (909) 387-8300 atau kirim email ke MailBallots@rov.sbcounty.gov paling lambat tanggal 29 Oktober. Anda juga dapat melihat contoh surat suara yang diterjemahkan di Elections.SBCounty.gov/Voting/ByMail. Di tempat pemungutan suara, Anda dapat membawa satu atau dua orang untuk membantu Anda menandai surat suara Anda.

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Ang tulong sa wika at mga sample na balota ay makukuha sa Chinese, Indonesian, Korean, Tagalog, Thai, at Vietnamese sa lahat ng mga site ng pagboto ng County. Upang humiling ng isinaling sample na balota, tumawag sa (909) 387-8300 o mag-email sa MailBallots@rov.sbcounty.gov bago ang Oktubre 29. Maaari mo ring tingnan ang isinalin na sample na balota sa Elections.SBCounty.gov/Voting/ByMail. Sa lugar ng botohan, maaari kang magdala ng isa o dalawang tao upang tulungan ka sa pagmamarka ng iyong balota.

มีการช่วยเหลือด้านภาษาและตัวอย่างบัตรลงคะแนนในภาษาจีน ภาษาอินโดนีเซีย ภาษาเกาหลี ภาษาตากาล็อก ภาษาไทย และภาษาเวียดนามที่จัดลงคะแนนเสียงของเทศมณฑลทุกแห่ง หากต้องการขอรับตัวอย่างบัตรลงคะแนนที่แปลแล้ว โปรดโทร (909) 387-8300 หรือส่งอีเมลไปที่ MailBallots@rov.sbcounty.gov ภายในวันที่ 29 ตุลาคม ท่านสามารถดูตัวอย่างบัตรลงคะแนนที่แปลแล้วได้ที่ Elections.SBCounty.gov/Voting/ByMail ที่สถานที่ลงคะแนนเสียงท่านอาจนำผู้อื่นหนึ่งหรือสองคนมาช่วยทำเครื่องหมายลงคะแนนเสียงได้

Có sẵn hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ và mẫu phiếu bầu bằng tiếng Trung, tiếng Indonesia, tiếng Hàn, tiếng Tagalog, tiếng Thái và tiếng Việt tại tất cả các địa điểm bỏ phiếu của Quận. Để yêu cầu mẫu phiếu bầu đã dịch, hãy gọi đến số điện thoại (909) 387-8300 hoặc gửi email đến MailBallots@rov.sbcounty.gov hạn chót vào ngày 29 tháng 10. Quý vị cũng có thể xem mẫu phiếu bầu đã dịch tại trang mạng Elections.SBCounty.gov/Voting/ByMail. Tại địa điểm bỏ phiếu, quý vị có thể mang theo một hoặc hai người để hỗ trợ quý vị đánh dấu phiếu bầu.



COMMUNITY PARTNERS NEEDED!

Everyone Counts on Election Day

Why become an Election Day worker?

- Serve your community and learn about voting
- Help your neighbors vote at a polling place
- Earn extra money, \$285 - \$390

What does an Election Day worker do?

- Preserve everyone's right to vote
- Protect all votes so they can be counted
- Set up, support, and close polling places
- Assist voters with the voting process

Who can be an election worker?

- Registered voters in California

How to apply:



1. Go to Elections.SBCounty.gov
2. Sign into My Elections Gateway
3. Click on My Poll Worker Application, or

- Complete the application on the next page
- For questions, call us at (909) 387-8300



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Poll Worker Application

1. Applicant Information (Please print clearly)

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Birthday (mm/dd/yy) _____
 Street Address _____ Unit/Apt # _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Mailing Address (If different) _____ Unit/Apt # _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Home Phone Number _____ Cell Phone Number _____ Email Address _____
 Do you have access to a vehicle? Yes No Are you registered to vote in the state of California? Yes No

2. Skills and Experience (Please check all that apply)

Election Experience	Professional Experience	Language Skills
Clerk <input type="checkbox"/>	Administrative/Clerical <input type="checkbox"/>	Cantonese <input type="checkbox"/> Khmer <input type="checkbox"/> Tagalog <input type="checkbox"/>
Technical Clerk <input type="checkbox"/>	Customer Service <input type="checkbox"/>	Hindi <input type="checkbox"/> Korean <input type="checkbox"/> Thai <input type="checkbox"/>
Supervisor <input type="checkbox"/>	IT/Technical <input type="checkbox"/>	Indonesian <input type="checkbox"/> Mandarin <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnamese <input type="checkbox"/>
Field Representative <input type="checkbox"/>	Recruiting/Training <input type="checkbox"/>	Japanese <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish <input type="checkbox"/>
Other: _____	Supervisory <input type="checkbox"/>	Other: _____

3. Availability

Are you currently employed? Yes No If 'Yes,' list employer: _____
 Are you available on Election Day? Yes No
 Are you available to work outside of your neighborhood? Yes No
 If 'Yes,' how far? 5-10 miles 11-20 miles 21-30 miles 31-40 miles

4. Compensation and Work Hours

Clerks: \$285	Stipend includes compensation for completing an Election Day assignment and attending a 2-hour poll worker training class.
Assistant Supervisor: \$350 plus mileage	Stipend includes compensation for completing an Election Day assignment and attending a 2-hour poll worker training class and a 4-hour supervisor training class.
Supervisors: \$390 plus mileage	Stipend includes compensation for completing an Election Day assignment and attending a 2-hour poll worker training class and a 4-hour supervisor training class.
Bilingual: \$20 additional payment	Stipend issued to poll workers who successfully complete bilingual testing and are assigned by the Registrar of Voters office to a bilingual position.

Work Hours: Poll Workers are required to report to their assigned polling place at 6:00 a.m. and work the entire Election Day (approximately 9:30 p.m.).

5. Submission Instructions and Information

Return completed applications:

- By Email: Scan or take a picture of the application and email to pollworkers@rov.sbcounty.gov
- By Fax: (909) 387-2022
- By Mail or in Person: Registrar of Voters, 777 E. Rialto Avenue, San Bernardino, CA 92415

Election Workers must comply with legal restrictions imposed upon them including, but not limited to, restraining orders, restrictions imposed on registered sex offenders, or any other prohibitions or limitations on their presence at voting locations and must notify the County immediately if they are prohibited from serving at their assigned voting location.
For any questions, call the Registrar of Voters at (909) 387-8300.

Replacement Mail Ballot Application

Only the registered voter themselves may request a replacement ballot. A request for a replacement ballot that is made by any person other than the registered voter is a criminal offense.

1. Fill Out Your Personal Information

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Last Name *First Name*

Residence Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____

2. Tell Us Where to Mail Your Replacement Ballot

- I want a Replacement Mail Ballot to be sent to my residential address.
- I want a Replacement Mail Ballot to be sent to my mailing address.

3. Sign and Date Your Application

Signature: _____ Date: _____

4. Return Your Application

By Mail or In Person: San Bernardino County Registrar of Voters
777 E. Rialto Avenue, San Bernardino, CA 92415

By Fax: (909) 386-8388

By Email: Scan or take a picture of your application and email it to
MailBallots@rov.sbcounty.gov

Voter Bill of Rights

You have the following rights:

- 1. The right to vote if you are a registered voter.** You are eligible to vote if you are:
 - a U.S. citizen living in California
 - at least 18 years old
 - registered where you currently live
 - not currently serving a state or federal prison term for the conviction of a felony
 - not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court
- 2. The right to vote if you are a registered voter even if your name is not on the list.** You will vote using a provisional ballot. Your vote will be counted if elections officials determine that you are eligible to vote.
- 3. The right to vote if you are still in line when the polls close.**
- 4. The right to cast a secret ballot** without anyone bothering you or telling you how to vote.
- 5. The right to get a new ballot if you have made a mistake,** if you have not already cast your ballot. You can:
 - **Ask an elections official at a polling place** for a new ballot, or
 - **Exchange your vote-by-mail ballot** for a new one at an elections office, or at your polling place, or
 - **Vote using a provisional ballot.**
- 6. The right to get help casting your ballot** from anyone you choose, except from your employer or union representative.
- 7. The right to drop off your completed vote-by-mail ballot at any polling place** in California.
- 8. The right to get election materials in a language other than English** if enough people in your voting precinct speak that language.
- 9. The right to ask questions to elections officials about election procedures** and watch the election process. If the person you ask cannot answer your questions, they must send you to the right person for an answer. If you are disruptive, they can stop answering you.
- 10. The right to report any illegal or fraudulent election activity** to an elections official or the Secretary of State's office.
 - On the web at: www.sos.ca.gov
 - By phone at: **(800) 345-VOTE (8683)**
 - By email at: elections@sos.ca.gov



If you believe you have been denied any of these rights, call the Registrar of Voters office at (800) 881-VOTE (8683) or the Secretary of State's office at (800) 345-VOTE (8683).

**San Bernardino County
Registrar of Voters**

777 E. Rialto Avenue
San Bernardino, CA 92415



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REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

DELIVER TO:

If you would like to vote in person, the following is your assigned polling place:
Si desea votar en persona, su casilla electoral asignada es la siguiente:

COMPREHENSIVE



NOTICE: Your polling place above may have changed from past elections. Polling places are open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Election Day.

AVISO: Es posible que la casilla electoral mencionada antes haya cambiado desde las últimas elecciones. Las casillas electorales estarán abiertas de 7 a.m. a 8 p.m. el Día de las Elecciones.

DATES TO REMEMBER! / ¡FECHAS PARA RECORDAR!

OCTOBER / OCTUBRE						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Monday, October 7 / Lunes 7 de octubre
Mail Ballots delivered to USPS
Las Boletas de Voto por Correo se entregan a USPS
Early voting begins
Comienza el voto anticipado

Monday, October 21 / Lunes 21 de octubre
Voter registration deadline
Fecha límite para el registro de votantes

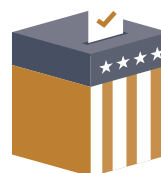
Tuesday, October 22 / Martes 22 de octubre
Conditional voter registration begins
Comienza el registro condicional de votantes

Tuesday, October 29 / Martes 29 de octubre
Additional Early Vote Sites open
Casillas para Voto Anticipado Adicionales abiertas
Last day to request a replacement ballot to be mailed
Último día para solicitar el envío por correo de una boleta de reemplazo

NOVEMBER / NOVIEMBRE						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Election Day / Día de las Elecciones
Tuesday, November 5 / Martes 5 de noviembre
Polling places open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Las casillas electorales abren de 7 a.m. a 8 p.m.
Ballots returned by mail must be postmarked on or before this date
Las boletas devueltas por correo deben tener el sello postal de esta fecha o anterior

Wednesday, November 6 / Miércoles 6 de noviembre
Canvass of the election begins
Comienza el escrutinio de las elecciones



DECEMBER / DICIEMBRE						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Thursday, December 5 / Jueves 5 de diciembre
Deadline to complete the canvass and certify the County's election results
Fecha límite para completar el escrutinio y certificar los resultados de la elección del Condado

Don't Delay, Vote Today!
¡No se Retrase, Vote Hoy!
Early voting begins on October 7, 2024.
La votación anticipada empieza el 7 de octubre de 2024.