

# Supervisor's Newsletter

Yxstian Gutierrez

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## MARCH: WOMEN'S HISTORY AND ARTS AND CULTURE

Dear Residents of District 5,

This month was filled with an abundance of exciting events for our district!

Our office celebrated Women's History Month, taking time to recognize historical figures who have paved the way for women's rights while recognizing the many women in our district who have made a positive impact in our lives. We awarded the Woman of the Year award to Cindy Lemke for her positive impact in our community; inspiring many to get involved.

We also kicked off our Riverside County Arts and Culture Month at our very own Edward Dean Museum, where we recognized and celebrated the many contributions our local artists have made to our district and county.

In addition, we launched our Homeless Rehabilitation Program, a program here in our district that will provide grants to rehabilitate owner-occupied mobile homes here in our district.

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We are grateful for your support. Thank you for getting involved and helping us better serve the community.

Contact us today!

District5@rivco.org

(951) 955 -1050

Thank you for all that you have done. We will continue to be hard at work for our community and will keep you updated!

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Yxstian Gutierrez'.

Yxstian Gutierrez  
County Supervisor



## RIVERSIDE COUNTY ARTS AND CULTURE MONTH KICKOFF

We had the pleasure of starting off Riverside County Arts and Culture Month at the Edward-Dean Museum here in our district.

Together with the help of the Office of Economic Development, our office put together the first annual kickoff celebration of this month to show our support for our local art community.

It was a great kickoff, filled with plenty of performers and local artists from throughout the county. Despite the rain, we saw many community members come out to show their support and participate in events like museum tours and painting sessions.

Throughout the month, our county had a variety of events in support of Riverside County Arts and Culture Month. Also, every city in our district stood with us to declare this month arts and culture month.

We'd like to encourage you to visit the Edward-Dean Museum and many other arts and cultural places throughout our district.

For more information on Riverside Arts and Culture Month, please visit the following link:

<https://www.rivcoartsandculture.org/>

RIVERSIDE COUNTY  
**ARTS &**  
**CULTURE**  
MONTH  
MARCH 2024

[RivCoArtsandCulture.org](https://www.rivcoartsandculture.org)

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### 3RD ANIMAL WELLNESS CLINIC

This month, we had our third animal wellness clinic. Last year, we had two, one in the community of Nuevo and another in the community of Cabazon. This animal wellness clinic was done at Bogart Park in Cherry Valley.

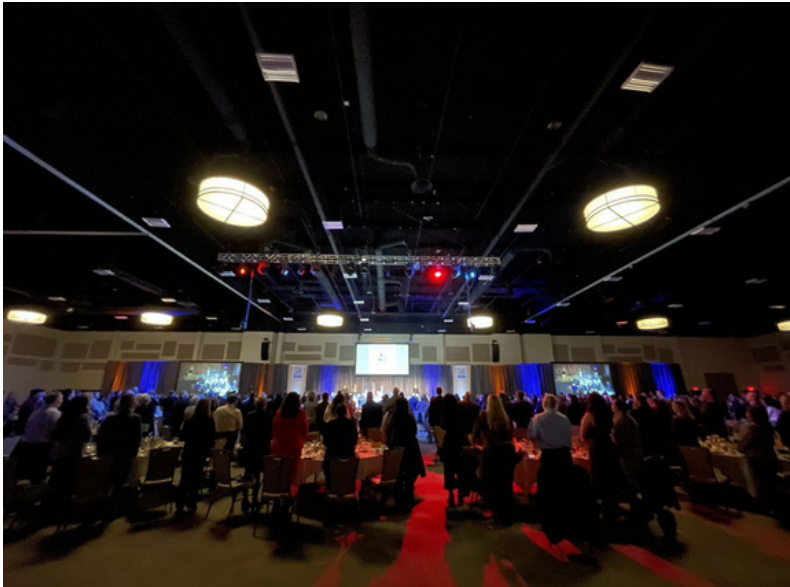
At this event, residents brought their furry friends for assistance with their health needs.

We are glad to see how impactful these animal wellness clinics have been for our community. Please keep an eye out for the next animal wellness clinic.

Please see the link below:

<https://rcdas.org/>





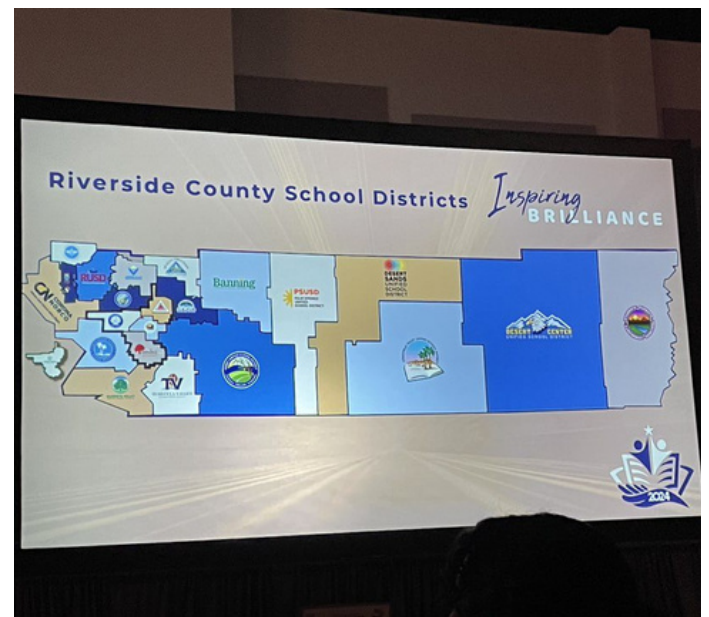
## 2024 STATE OF EDUCATION

With a strong belief in educating and supporting our youth, our office gladly attended the State of Education at the Riverside Convention Center.

At this event, county leaders in business, government, and education came together to discuss what is going on with education in the county.

Superintendent Edwin Gomez gave a presentation discussing the progress we have made as well as the challenges we face when it comes to education.

We are proud to see how passionate our county leaders are about educating our youth.





## BEAUMONT HIGHSCHOOL TOUR

Our office was given a tour of Beaumont High School. We were shown around the entire school and given a description of the daily lives of Beaumont High School students.

It's truly an amazing place where students have an abundance of opportunities to grow and excel. Their dedication to providing a nurturing and innovative educational environment is evident in every classroom and facility. We are grateful for the opportunity to tour the school.





## MORENO VALLEY SHERIFF'S STATION VOLUNTEER & APPRECIATION DINNER

Our office attended a dinner event at the Moreno Valley Sheriff's Station to honor the volunteers and explorers who have selflessly served the residents of Moreno Valley.

We are honored to have attended. Seeing the passionate volunteers and explorers making a selfless commitment to improving our community was moving.

If you would like to volunteer or know someone who does, please see the following link:

<https://www.riversidesheriff.org/261/Volunteer-Forces-Unit>





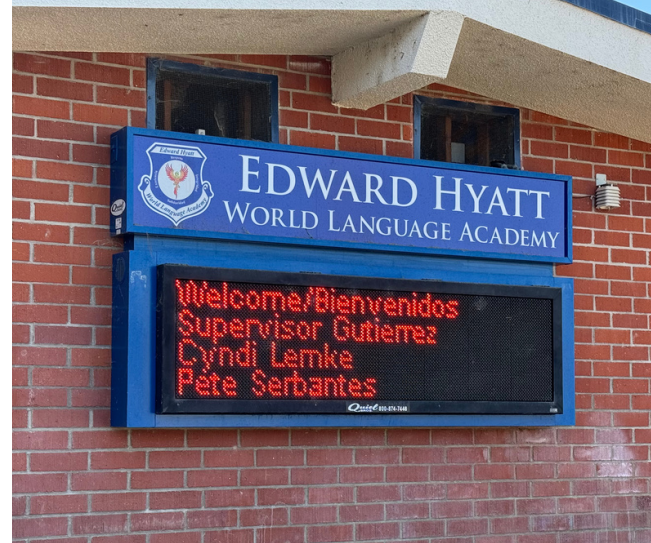
## PRINCIPAL FOR A DAY

Supervisor Gutierrez was invited to be a school principal for a day at San Jacinto Unified School District.

He met the office staff at Hyatt World Language Academy, met with some of the students during their recess, and visited classrooms.

District 5 Woman of the Year Cyndi Lemke was also invited to be a principal for a day at Hyatt World Language Academy.

Having previously worked as a teacher, Supervisor Gutierrez appreciated the opportunity and was excited to participate.







## ALTA VISTA INNOVATION HIGH SCHOOL TOUR

Our office was able to tour Alta Vista Innovation High School in the city of San Jacinto. Alta Vista High School introduces a variety of Career Technical Education (CTE) programs, trades, and other educational paths to its students.

We constantly strive to provide a wide variety of opportunities to our young individuals. Some of the ways we support our youth are by giving them a voice on the Youth Advisory Council (YAC), providing them with work experience in the private sector through our Youth Employment Program, and providing them with public-sector experience through our Youth Community Core program.

To learn more about our YAC, please see the following link:

<https://rivcodistrict5.org/volunteer/youth-advisory-council>





## PONY PINTO MARINERS GAME

This month, we got to witness the “Protect Our Nation’s Youth” (PONY) Pinto Mariners Game in Moreno Valley. It was great to see our youth come out and have fun while staying active. We are also grateful for their families who came out to support their healthy lifestyles.

PONY is a nonprofit organization that provides baseball and softball opportunities to young people. They believe in helping our youth develop into better adults through recreation.

We provided \$2,700 in Community Improvement Designation funds to the Pinto Mariners to support players and their families in playing the sport. The funds will be used to help purchase equipment and fees for field and light usage.

To learn more about PONY Baseball and Softball and how you can get involved, please visit the link below:

<https://www.mvyfpony.com/Default.aspx?tabid=1222187>





## MORENO VALLEY MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL

Our office was in attendance at the Moreno Valley Multicultural Festival. This was a wonderful event, embracing our cultural diversity here in District 5.

The event had plenty of local artists and performers, such as Mariachi, Filipino dance groups, and Afro-Caribbean dancers. There were also art workshops, live art demonstrations, and, of course, a good deal of food.

To see when the next events for the City of Moreno Valley are, please see the link below:

<https://moval.gov/>





## CSAC REGIONAL MEETING

Recently, the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) restarted their practice of holding regional meetings. The first one was held in the Coachella Valley here in Riverside County. Our office was eager to attend.

We toured the Salton Sea and Lithium Valley. Aside from the tours, we participated in a number of panel discussions where we discussed plans to bring more high-paying jobs to our region while protecting our environment.

It was an insightful event filled with exciting plans to raise the standard of living here in Riverside County. We are glad to have attended.

To learn more about CSAC, please visit this link:

<https://www.counties.org/>



## Staff Spotlight

**Daniel Meza**

**Professional Student Intern**

Daniel Meza is currently a student attending Moreno Valley College and is scheduled to graduate this summer with a certificate in Simulation and Gaming and a certificate in Web Design.

Daniel works hard to manage his time as a student while serving our district. He has provided crucial support to our office delivering newsletters, attending events, and assisting residents here in D5.

Daniel values his friendships and family. He always interacts with the community with a welcoming demeanor.

We are proud of his accomplishments. Thank you Daniel!



## HEMET-SAN JACINTO ACTION GROUP

Our office was invited by the Hemet-San Jacinto Action Group to attend one of their meetings. At this meeting, Supervisor Gutierrez provided updates on the Highway 79 Project, where we are working to help address traffic congestion in the Hemet-San Jacinto region, and our \$12 million investment towards providing more housing and services to aid the homeless population.

The Hemet-San Jacinto Action Group is a non-profit network of community leaders dedicated to raising the standard of living in the region.

For more information, please visit the following link:

<https://hemetsanjacintoaction.org/>





## SAN GORGONIO MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Our office had the privilege of joining the celebration of the Morongo Band of Mission Indians donating \$5 million to the San Gorgonio Memorial Hospital.

This \$5 million donation is the second largest donation ever received by the Foundation. It will help establish a comprehensive Women’s Health Program by enhancing obstetrics, gynecology, breast health, and women’s wellness programs.

Thank you for having us at the event. It’s inspiring to witness such dedication and unity, reinforcing our collective goal of a healthier future for all.

For more information about the San Gorgonio Memorial Hospital Foundation and the Morongo Band of Mission Indians, please visit the links below:

<https://www.sgmh.org/>

<https://morongonation.org/>





Principal for a Day SJUSD

# MARCH IN PICTURES



Riverside County Arts and Culture Month



PONY Pinto Mariners



3rd Animal Wellness Clinic



Moreno Valley Multicultural Festival



San Geronio Memorial Hospital



Principal for a Day: HUSD



CSAC



District 5 Woman of the Year





## Boards, Commissions and Committees

The Office of Supervisor Yxstian Gutierrez has various openings for appointments on Boards, Committees, and Commissions (BCC). Are you interested in becoming a voice for your community? This is a great opportunity for you! If you have questions about BCC please feel free to contact our office at (951) 955-1050 for more information.

You can learn more about openings and apply for positions on our website at [www.rivcodistrict5.org](http://www.rivcodistrict5.org).

# Veterans Services

The PACT Act is a new law that expands VA health care and benefits for Veterans exposed to burn pits, Agent Orange, and other toxic substances.

The PACT Act adds to the list of health conditions that we assume (or “presume”) are caused by exposure to these substances. This law helps us provide generations of Veterans—and their survivors—with the care and benefits they’ve earned and deserve. This page will help answer your questions about what the PACT Act means for you or your loved ones. You can also call us at [800-698-2411](tel:800-698-2411) (TTY: [711](tel:711)). And you can file a claim for PACT Act-related disability compensation or apply for VA health care now.





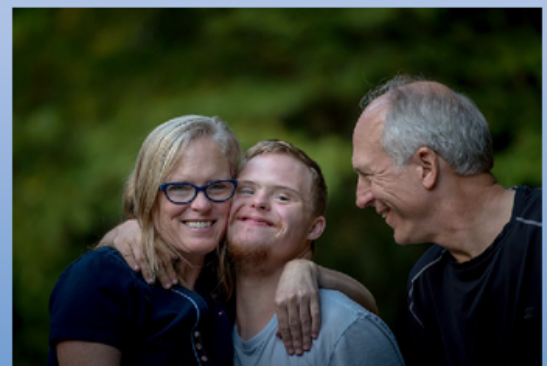
In the next six months, the County of Riverside is updating their AFFIRMATIVELY FURTHERING FAIR HOUSING (AFFH) for the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

The goal of Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) is to combat housing discrimination, eliminate racial bias, undo historic patterns of segregation, and lift barriers that restrict access in order to foster inclusive communities and achieve racial equity, fair housing choice, and opportunity for all Californians.



***Fair housing outcomes would be locally driven based on the fair housing issues presented by local circumstances.***

Implementation of an Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) plan will greatly enhance equity, human dignity, social welfare, and justice for all protected class groups. Creating equitable access to affordable housing opportunities is crucial to the County's vulnerable populations that have long been denied equal access in many aspects of their lives.



Your voice matters! Please complete the survey to help guide County determinations that address priority housing and housing issues.



If you have questions, please reach out to: [Tina.Roseberry@mbakerintl.com](mailto:Tina.Roseberry@mbakerintl.com)



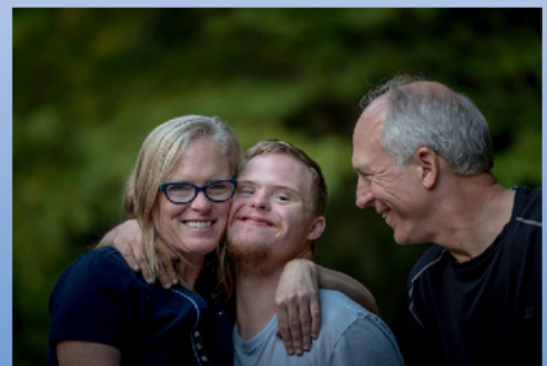
En los próximos seis meses, el Condado de Riverside actualizará su PROMOCIÓN AFIRMATIVA DE LA VIVIENDA JUSTA (AFFH) para el Departamento Federal de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano (HUD).

El objetivo de AFIRMATIVA DE LA VIVIENDA JUSTA (AFFH) es combatir la discriminación en materia de vivienda, eliminar los prejuicios raciales, deshacer patrones históricos de segregación y eliminar las barreras que restringen el acceso para fomentar comunidades inclusivas y lograr equidad racial, elección de vivienda justa y oportunidades para todos los californianos.

***Los resultados de vivienda justa serían impulsados localmente en función de los problemas de vivienda justa presentados por las circunstancias locales.***

La implementación de un plan de Evaluación de Vivienda Justa (AFH) mejorará en gran medida la equidad, la dignidad humana, el bienestar social y la justicia para todos los grupos de clases protegidas. Crear un acceso equitativo a oportunidades de vivienda asequible es crucial para las poblaciones vulnerables del condado a las que durante mucho tiempo se les ha negado la igualdad de acceso en muchos aspectos de sus vidas.

**¡Tu voz importa! Complete la encuesta para ayudar a guiar las determinaciones del condado que abordan la vivienda un prioridad y los problemas de vivienda.**



Si tiene preguntas, comuníquese con:  
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