

Supervisor's Newsletter

Yxstian Gutierrez

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JANUARY: NEW YEAR, NEW GOALS!

Dear Residents of District 5,

Happy New Year!

We just wanted to take a moment to say how proud we are of the work we did in 2023! Last year, we served the communities in the 5th District by funding over \$240,000 in Community Improvement Designation (CID) funds.

We re-opened the San Jacinto Animal Shelter and launched 3 major hire initiative programs (Hire D5, Hire a Senior, and Hire a Vet).

This year, we are excited to keep the momentum going! We're focusing on our future leaders by supporting more youth programs such as local soccer leagues, high school marching and jazz bands, and nonprofits that directly improve the quality of our children's lives.

We are also working on making our programs and resources more accessible to our residents by holding informational trainings and attending all community events to better educate residents about county resources. And, we'll expand our senior programming to better service our senior community.

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We are grateful for your support. None of this could have been possible without your feedback, participation, and collaboration. It's the collective effort that makes our community vibrant, resilient, and inclusive.

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,

Yxstian Gutierrez
County Supervisor



RAMONA PRESIDENT'S GALA

We had the honor of attending the Ramona President's Gala, where certificates of recognition were presented to the Ramona Bowl and the Aria Troubadour family, known for making Ramona's music for a whole century. For over 100 years, the Ramona Bowl has been known for its outdoor performances.

We look forward to a new century of Ramona productions and encourage you all to go check out their upcoming programs whenever you have the chance!

To buy tickets to Ramona, please visit:

<https://www.ramonabowl.com>

Contact Details:
27400 Ramona Bowl Road
Hemet, CA 92544

Phone: (951) 658-3111
Ramona@Ramonabowl.com



NON-PROFIT WORKSHOP

Together with the help of Inland SoCal United Way and Riverside County's Housing and Workforce Solutions (HWS), our office recently hosted a non-profit assistance workshop at the Edward Dean Museum to help educate some of our local nonprofits on county funding support.

To make resources more accessible, we provided nonprofits with the application for the Riverside County Nonprofit Assistance Fund (RCNAF) for a chance to receive up to \$50,000 in funding. In addition, we gave a brief presentation about the two types of grant opportunities we offer: Community Improvement Designation (CID) and the previously mentioned Riverside County Nonprofit Assistance Fund (RCNAF).

We were able to help educate 60 organizations through this workshop, but we won't stop there!

If you are a part of a nonprofit or know a local nonprofit that you think needs help, please check out the following links and feel free to contact our office if you need any other guidance!

<https://opxportal.com/forms/124589/>

<https://rivcodistrict5.org/grants-sponsorships>

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HIRE-A-VET

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Up to \$5,000 For Hiring Local Veterans

Program Details

- Current Business License or Permit in 5th District
- New employee must be 5th District resident Veteran who has received an honorable discharge and served a minimum of 90 days
- \$1,000 stipend after 90 days of hire
- Each business can hire up to FIVE residents total
- An additional \$500 available after 90 days for the Veteran
- Copies of discharge papers must be available upon request

If you are an employer looking to hire and interested in the program, please scan below

SCAN
ME

Interested in learning more about
Workforce Services for Employers in
Riverside County?
Contact us today!

951-955-3100
www.rivcoworkforce.org
employerservices@rivco.org

PASS AREA VETERANS EXPO & JOB FAIR

The Pass Area Veterans Expo recently unfolded as a tribute to our local heroes, with our office attending for the second consecutive year.

The annual expo helps connect veterans to local jobs and resources. At the event, information on the Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics Act (PACT) was provided. It expands the eligibility for VA healthcare access and provides benefits for veterans exposed to toxic substances.

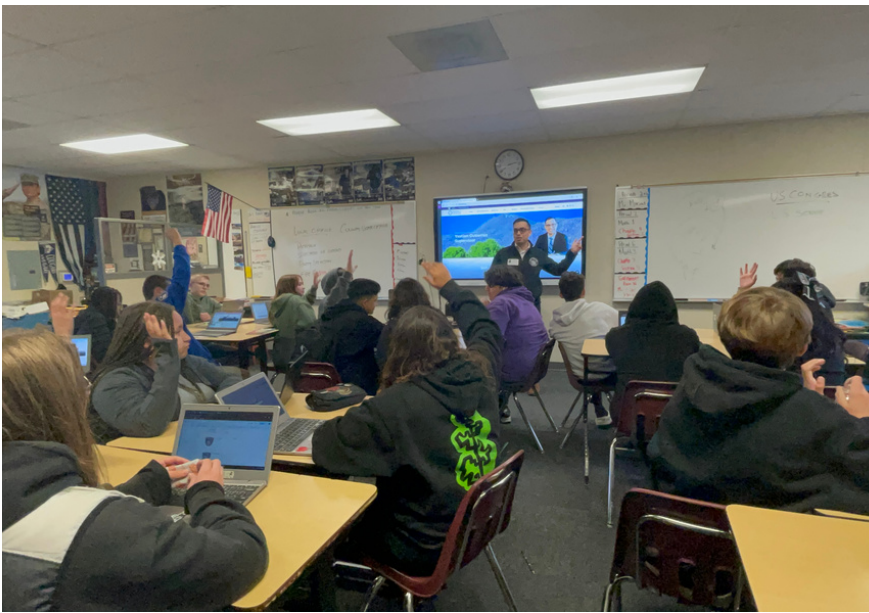
Our office spoke about some of the services offered by Riverside County for our veterans. One of the programs we talked about is the new program that works with veteran-friendly businesses to hire a veteran from D5 called Hire-a-Veteran.

If you or a loved one would like to learn more about our available resources to veterans, please check out the link and contact information below!

<https://rivcoveterans.org/veterans-advisory-committee>

(951) 955 - 3060





SAN JACINTO VALLEY ACADEMY CLASS PRESENTATION

The students of San Jacinto Valley Academy invited Supervisor Yxstian Gutierrez to speak to one of their classes. Supervisor Gutierrez was also offered a tour of the academy, and during his presentation, he spoke about his upbringing, former professions, and, of course, his role as County Supervisor.

We want to make sure that we are providing students with the support they need while awarding their successes. He is so glad to have been there and looks forward to working alongside our youth to Thrive in D5!





SOCALGAS TOUR

Our office was able to go on a tour of SoCal Gas Company's facilities. SoCal Gas is a major provider of natural gas for many of the communities throughout our district. They have a number of assistance programs that we think can be helpful resources for you: energy-efficient home upgrades at no cost with the Energy Savings Assistance Program, the Medical Baseline Allowance Program, past-due bill forgiveness with the Arrearage Management Plan, a 20% monthly discount with California Alternate Rates for Energy, and a one-time bill grant through the Gas Assistance Fund.

For more information, please check out the link below:

<https://www.socalgas.com/save-money-and-energy/assistance-programs>





CR&R PLANT VISIT

We visited CR&R facilities to learn more about the services they provide for our district. Using special European technology, they recycle our waste into natural gas that goes back to the gas line and also powers their vehicles. Isn't that fascinating?

By the way, they are the only ones in Southern California to do that, and they are here in our backyard. We are glad to work with them to provide efficient, innovative, and sustainable services to our district.

For more information, please check out the link below:

<https://crrwasteservices.com/>





PENNSYLVANIA WIDENING PROJECT RIBBON CUTTING

We were able to attend the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Pennsylvania Avenue Widening Project in Beaumont. People that use the 10 freeway often exit and take Pennsylvania Avenue, causing traffic congestion. This project will help provide much-needed congestion relief and improve traffic flow! An underpass for the railroad is also in the plan.

Whether it's getting to work a bit quicker, making our local businesses more accessible, or just giving us all some extra time with our families instead of being stuck in traffic, this project will help tremendously.

You can look at more information using the link below:

<https://www.beaumontca.gov/988/Pennsylvania-Interchange-Widening>





SPAY AND NEUTER CLINIC IN SAN JACINTO

Our office sponsored another free spay and neuter event at the San Jacinto Valley Animal Campus for our district residents. The clinic offers services like spaying and neutering, vaccinations, and microchipping. We want to continue to provide affordable animal services for our furry friends. Keep an eye out for future events here:

<https://rcdas.org/>



Staff Spotlight

Josiel Perez

Field Support Staff Intern

A firm believer in the value and accessibility of community college, Josiel received three associate's degrees at San Bernardino Valley College and graduated with highest honors with a BA in Political Science at UC Riverside.

Outside of the US, he studied abroad in Tokyo, Japan, where he learned to succeed in a different environment and culture. Prior to going abroad, he taught himself Japanese. Even after his time abroad, he continues to talk to his friends he made from around the world!

Whether it be through working on launching and directing D5 programs, helping with D5 media, or providing support both within the office and on the field, Josiel is always humbly eager to help.



Riverside County Health Coalition Meeting

JANUARY IN PICTURES



SoCalGas Tour



Pass Area Veterans Expo & Job Fair



Pennsylvania Widening Project Ribbon Cutting



Non-Profit Workshop



Spay and Neuter Clinic



SoCal Mini Horse Sanctuary Ribbon-Cutting



CR&R Plant Visit



Petsmart grand opening in Banning



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.

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). And you can file a claim for PACT Act-related disability compensation or apply for VA health care now.

