

County of Riverside



Registrar of Voters

Polling Place Location
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Polls Open
November 4, 2014
7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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To Register To Vote
October 20, 2014**
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October 6th - October 28th
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Consolidated General Election

*Tuesday, November 4, 2014
Sample Ballot and Information Pamphlet*



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Riverside County
Registrar of Voters Office

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HELP KEEP VOTER ROLLS CURRENT

In an effort to maintain current voter rolls and to save taxpayer dollars, the Registrar of Voters will mail residency confirmation notices after the November 4, 2014 Election. The notification cards will be mailed to voters who have not voted in any election within the preceding four years, and his or her residence address, name or party affiliation had not been updated during that time.

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REGISTRAR OF VOTERS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

Dear Voter:

November 4, 2014 is Election Day. This Sample Ballot and Information Pamphlet provides ballot marking instructions, polling place location, candidate information, and other important election details that you should review before you vote. You may mark your selections on your Sample Ballot and take it with you to the polls for easy reference.

You have several options for voting:

Vote-by-Mail – Voting by mail is convenient and easy. You will find an application to receive a Vote-by-Mail ballot on the back cover of this pamphlet. The deadline to request a vote-by-mail ballot is October 28. You have several options for returning your ballot:

- Mail your ballot in time to reach the Registrar of Voters office by 8 p.m. on Election Day, November 4, 2014. Postmarks are not accepted.
- Return your ballot in person to the Registrar of Voters office during regular business hours and until close of polls on Election Day. For your convenience the Registrar's office has a secure locked drop box at its entry for ballot drop off 24 hours a day.
- Deposit your ballot in one of the secure drop-off boxes available at designated City Clerks' offices from October 6 through November 3. Please visit our website to view a map of ballot drop-off locations.
- Take your ballot to any polling place (before 8 p.m.) in Riverside County on Election Day.
- You may confirm that the Registrar of Voters office has received your returned Vote-by-Mail ballot on our website at www.voteinfo.net.
- **Vote First, Count First!** Vote-by-mail ballots received before Election Day are counted first. Return your ballot as soon as possible to ensure that it is included in the first Election Night results!

Early Voting – Vote at the Registrar of Voters office beginning October 6 through November 3 (excluding Holidays), Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Saturday, October 25 and November 1, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; and Election Day, November 4, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Early voting will also be available at participating malls in Riverside County on October 24 through October 26. Please visit our website at www.voteinfo.net for additional early voting information.

Vote on Election Day November 4 – See the back cover of this Sample Ballot for your polling place location.

There is still time to volunteer to be a poll worker. We need Polling Officers to work at the polls on Election Day and we are eager to train you to assist voters with our proudest legacy – the right to vote.

The Registrar of Voters team is here to serve you. Please contact us anytime, so we can help make your voting experience a positive one. Thank you for participating in this election -- your vote counts!

Sincerely,

Rebecca Spencer
Registrar of Voters



Be sure to follow the Registrar of Voters on
Facebook, YouTube and Twitter.

Elections in California

The Top Two Candidates Open Primary Act, which took effect January 1, 2011, requires that all candidates for a voter-nominated office be listed on the same ballot. Voter-nominated offices are state legislative offices, U.S. congressional offices, and state constitutional offices.

In both the open primary and general elections, you can vote for any candidate, regardless of what party preference you indicated on your voter registration form. In the primary election, the two candidates receiving the most votes—regardless of party preference—move on to the general election regardless of vote totals. If a candidate receives a majority of the vote (50 percent + 1), a general election still must be held. Even if there are only two candidates for an office in the open primary, a general election for that office is still required.

California's open primary system does not apply to candidates running for local offices.

California law requires that the following information be printed in this pamphlet.

Voter-Nominated Offices

Political parties are not entitled to formally nominate candidates for voter-nominated offices at the primary election. A candidate nominated for a voter-nominated office at the primary election is the nominee of the people and not the official nominee of any party at the general election. A candidate for nomination to a voter-nominated office shall have his or her party preference, or lack of party preference, stated on the ballot, but the party preference designation is selected solely by the candidate and is shown for the information of the voters only. It does not mean the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party designated, or that there is an affiliation between the party and candidate, and no candidate nominated by the voters shall be deemed to be the officially nominated candidate of any political party. In the county sample ballot booklet, parties may list the candidates for voter-nominated offices who have received the party's official endorsement.

Any voter may vote for any candidate for a voter-nominated office, if they meet the other qualifications required to vote for that office. The top two vote-getters at the primary election move on to the general election for the voter-nominated office even if both candidates have specified the same party preference designation. No party is entitled to have a candidate with its party preference designation move on to the general election, unless the candidate is one of the two highest vote-getters at the primary election.

Nonpartisan State Offices

Political parties are not entitled to nominate candidates for nonpartisan offices at the primary election, and a candidate at the primary election is not the official nominee of any party for the specific office at the general election. A candidate for nomination to a nonpartisan office may not designate his or her party preference, or lack of party preference, on the ballot. The top two vote-getters at the primary election move on to the general election for the nonpartisan office.

Redistricting

New electoral district boundaries are drawn every 10 years in order to equalize district populations. Boundaries for the congressional, state legislative, and county supervisorial districts are now different. Boundary changes also apply to any city, school district, or special district that votes by trustee areas or divisions. To see the new district maps, visit the Registrar of Voters website at www.voteinfo.net.

HOW TO MARK YOUR PAPER BALLOT

Please refer to the following instructions on how to properly complete your official ballot:

- ▶ Connect the head and tail of the arrow that points to your choice like the example provided.
- ▶ Check both front and back of ballot for voting contests.
- ▶ Use a black ball point pen. Do not use felt tip, red or gel ink.
- ▶ One line connecting the arrow is preferred.
- ▶ Vote for no more than the number of votes allowed in each contest (e.g. vote for one, vote for no more than two, etc.).
- ▶ Please keep the vote-by-mail ballot folded the same way you received it.

TO MARK YOUR VOTE DRAW A LINE



VOTE!!!

IMPORTANT NOTE:

If you are a Vote-by-Mail voter, you must fill out and sign your return envelope in order for your vote to be counted.

MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT...MARK YOUR BALLOT CORRECTLY

EXAMPLE

CORRECT



INCORRECT



For a demonstration on marking your ballot please visit our website at www.voteinfo.net

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VOTER-NOMINATED OFFICES CARGOS NOMINADOS POR LOS VOTANTES		JUDICIAL / JUDICIAL VOTE YES OR NO FOR EACH OFFICE VOTE SÍ O NO POR CADA OFICINA	
STATE / ESTADO		FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT PARA JUEZ ASOCIADO DE LA CORTE SUPREMA	
NEEL KASHKARI Party Preference: Republican Businessman Empresario	Governor / Gobernador Vote for One / Vote por Uno	Shall Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, GOODWIN LIU be elected to the office for the term provided by law? ¿Deberá GOODWIN LIU , Juez Asociado de la Corte Suprema, ser elegido por votación a la oficina por el periodo que dispone la ley?	YES SÍ NO NO
EDMUND G. "JERRY" BROWN Party Preference: Democratic Governor of California Gobernador de California	Lieutenant Governor Vicegobernador Vote for One / Vote por Uno	Shall Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, MARIANO-FLORENTINO CUELLAR be elected to the office for the term provided by law? ¿Deberá MARIANO-FLORENTINO CUELLAR , el Profesor de Derecho de la Universidad de Stanford, ser elegido por votación a la oficina por el periodo que dispone la ley?	YES SÍ NO NO
GAVIN NEWSOM Party Preference: Democratic Lieutenant Governor Vicegobernador	Secretary of State Secretario de Estado Vote for One / Vote por Uno	Shall Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, KATHRYN MICKLE WERDEGAR be elected to the office for the term provided by law? ¿Deberá KATHRYN MICKLE WERDEGAR , Juez Asociado de la Corte Suprema, ser elegido por votación a la oficina por el periodo que dispone la ley?	YES SÍ NO NO
PETE PETERSON Party Preference: Republican Educator / Institute Director Educador / Director de Instituto	Controller / Contralor Vote for One / Vote por Uno	FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL DISTRICT 4, DIVISION 1 PARA JUEZ ASOCIADO, CORTE DE APELACIÓN DISTRITO 4, DIVISION 1	YES SÍ NO NO
ALEX PADILLA Party Preference: Democratic California State Senator Senador Estatal de California	BETTY T. YEE Party Preference: Democratic California State Board of Equalization Member Miembro, Directiva de Impuestos sobre Ventas, Uso y Otros del Estado de California	Shall Associate Justice, Court of Appeal, District 4, Division 1, TERRY B. O'ROURKE be elected to the office for the term provided by law? ¿Deberá TERRY B. O'ROURKE , Juez Asociado de la Corte de Apelación, Distrito 4, División 1, ser elegido por votación a la oficina por el periodo que dispone la ley?	YES SÍ NO NO
ASHLEY SWEARENGIN Party Preference: Republican Mayor / CEO Alcaldesa / Funcionaria Ejecutiva Principal	Treasurer / Tesorero Vote for One / Vote por Uno	Shall Associate Justice, Court of Appeal, District 4, Division 1, GILBERT NARES be elected to the office for the term provided by law? ¿Deberá GILBERT NARES , Juez Asociado de la Corte de Apelación, Distrito 4, División 1, ser elegido por votación a la oficina por el periodo que dispone la ley?	YES SÍ NO NO
GREG CONLON Party Preference: Republican Businessman / CPA Empresario / Contador Público Certificado			
DIANE L. HARKEY Party Preference: Republican Taxpayer Advocate / Assemblywoman Defensora del Contribuyente / Asambleísta	MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY MIEMBRO DE LA ASAMBLEA DEL ESTADO 56th Assembly District Distrito de la Asamblea Núm. 56 Vote for One / Vote por Uno		
NADER SHAHATIT Party Preference: Democratic Government Auditor / Realtor Auditor de Gobierno / Agente de Bienes Raíces	EDUARDO GARCIA Party Preference: Democratic Mayor / Policy Director Preferecia de Partido: Demócrata Alcalde / Director de Política		
BRIAN NESTANDE Party Preference: Republican Assemblyman / Independent Businessman Preferecia de Partido: Republicano Asambleísta / Empresario Independiente	CHARLES BENNETT, JR. Party Preference: Republican Public Safety Consultant Preferecia de Partido: Republicano Consultor de Seguridad Pública		
RAUL RUIZ Party Preference: Democratic Congressman / Emergency Physician Preferecia de Partido: Demócrata Congresista / Médico de Urgencias			
STATE SENATOR / SENADOR ESTATAL 28th Senatorial District Distrito Senatorial Núm. 28 Vote for One / Vote por Uno			
JEFF STONE Party Preference: Republican Businessman / County Supervisor Preferecia de Partido: Republicano Empresario / Supervisor del Condado			
BONNIE GARCIA Party Preference: Republican Small Business Woman Preferecia de Partido: Republicano Pequeña Empresaria			
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE 36th Congressional District Distrito Congresional Núm. 36 Vote for One / Vote por Uno			

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JOHN CHIANG Party Preference: Democratic California State Controller Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata Contralor del Estado de California	↓
Attorney General Procurador General Vote for One / Vote por Uno	↓
RONALD GOLD Party Preference: Republican California Attorney Preferencia de Partido: Republicano Abogado de California	↓
KAMALA D. HARRIS Party Preference: Democratic Attorney General of California Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata Procuradora General de California	↓
Insurance Commissioner Comisionado de Seguros Vote for One / Vote por Uno	↓
TED GAINES Party Preference: Republican Independent Insurance Agent Preferencia de Partido: Republicano Agente de Seguros Independiente	↓
DAVE JONES Party Preference: Democratic Insurance Commissioner Preferencia de Partido: Demócrata Comisionado de Seguros	↓

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FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL DISTRICT 4, DIVISION 1 PARA JUEZ ASOCIADO, CORTE DE APELACIÓN DISTRITO 4, DIVISIÓN 1	↓
Shall Associate Justice, Court of Appeal, District 4, Division 1, ALEX C. MCDONALD be elected to the office for the term provided by law? ¿Deberá ALEX C. MCDONALD , Juez Asociado de la Corte de Apelación, Distrito 4, División 1, ser elegido por votación a la oficina por el periodo que dispone la ley?	YES SÍ NO NO
FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL DISTRICT 4, DIVISION 1 PARA JUEZ ASOCIADO, CORTE DE APELACIÓN DISTRITO 4, DIVISIÓN 1	↓
Shall Associate Justice, Court of Appeal, District 4, Division 1, JAMES A. MCINTYRE be elected to the office for the term provided by law? ¿Deberá JAMES A. MCINTYRE , Juez Asociado de la Corte de Apelación, Distrito 4, División 1, ser elegido por votación a la oficina por el periodo que dispone la ley?	YES SÍ NO NO

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JUDICIAL / JUDICIAL VOTE YES OR NO FOR EACH OFFICE VOTE SÍ O NO POR CADA OFICINA		COACHELLA VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT DISTRITO ESCOLAR UNIFICADO DE COACHELLA VALLEY	
FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL DISTRICT 4, DIVISION 2 PARA JUEZ ASOCIADO, CORTE DE APELACIÓN DISTRITO 4, DIVISIÓN 2		Governing Board Member, Trustee Area 1 Miembro Junta Gobernante, Fideicomisario Área 1 Vote for no more than Two / Vote por no más de Dos	
Shall Associate Justice, Court of Appeal, District 4, Division 2, THOMAS E. HOLLENHORST be elected to the office for the term provided by law? ¿Deberá THOMAS E. HOLLENHORST , Juez Asociado de la Corte de Apelación, Distrito 4, División 2, ser elegido por votación a la oficina por el período que dispone la ley?		BLANCA TORRES HALL Teacher / Social Worker Maestra / Trabajadora Social	
YES SÍ		KAREN C. HERNANDEZ Educator Educadora	
NO NO		ALMA DELIA SILVA Parent Padre	
FOR PRESIDING JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL DISTRICT 4, DIVISION 3 PARA JUEZ PRESIDENTE, CORTE DE APELACIÓN DISTRITO 4, DIVISIÓN 3		ANNA LISA VARGAS Health Program Coordinator Coordinadora del Programa de Salud	
Shall Presiding Justice, Court of Appeal, District 4, Division 3, KATHLEEN E. O'LEARY be elected to the office for the term provided by law? ¿Deberá KATHLEEN E. O'LEARY , Juez Presidente de la Corte de Apelación, Distrito 4, División 3, ser elegida por votación a la oficina por el período que dispone la ley?		RUDY GUTIERREZ Staffing Manager Gerente de Personal	
YES SÍ		TRINIDAD ARREDONDO Nonprofit Manager Gerente de Organización sin Fines de Lucro	
NO NO		JOEY ACUÑA, JR. Parent Padre	
FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL DISTRICT 4, DIVISION 3 PARA JUEZ ASOCIADO, CORTE DE APELACIÓN DISTRITO 4, DIVISIÓN 3			
Shall Associate Justice, Court of Appeal, District 4, Division 3, WILLIAM F. RYLAARSDAM be elected to the office for the term provided by law? ¿Deberá WILLIAM F. RYLAARSDAM , Juez Asociado de la Corte de Apelación, Distrito 4, División 3, ser elegido por votación a la oficina por el período que dispone la ley?		CITY / CIUDAD CITY OF INDIO CIUDAD DE INDIO	
YES SÍ		City Council Member Miembro del Concejo Municipal Vote for no more than Three / Vote por no más de Tres	
NO NO		ELAINE HOLMES Incumbent Titular	
FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL DISTRICT 4, DIVISION 3 PARA JUEZ ASOCIADO, CORTE DE APELACIÓN DISTRITO 4, DIVISIÓN 3		TROY STRANGE Economic Development Specialist Especialista de Desarrollo Económico	
Shall Associate Justice, Court of Appeal, District 4, Division 3, RICHARD M. ARONSON be elected to the office for the term provided by law? ¿Deberá RICHARD M. ARONSON , Juez Asociado de la Corte de Apelación, Distrito 4, División 3, ser elegido por votación a la oficina por el período que dispone la ley?		ASCENCION B. TORRES Plumber Plomero	
YES SÍ		MICHAEL H. WILSON Councilmember / Retired Firefighter Miembro del Concejo / Bombero Jubilado	
NO NO			
FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL DISTRICT 4, DIVISION 3 PARA JUEZ ASOCIADO, CORTE DE APELACIÓN DISTRITO 4, DIVISIÓN 3			

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Shall Associate Justice, Court of Appeal, District 4, Division 3, DAVID A. THOMPSON be elected to the office for the term provided by law? ¿Deberá DAVID A. THOMPSON , Juez Asociado de la Corte de Apelación, Distrito 4, División 3, ser elegido por votación a la oficina por el período que dispone la ley?	YES
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	NO
	NO
FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL DISTRICT 4, DIVISION 3 PARA JUEZ ASOCIADO, CORTE DE APELACIÓN DISTRITO 4, DIVISION 3	
Shall Associate Justice, Court of Appeal, District 4, Division 3, RICHARD D. FYBEL be elected to the office for the term provided by law? ¿Deberá RICHARD D. FYBEL , Juez Asociado de la Corte de Apelación, Distrito 4, División 3, ser elegido por votación a la oficina por el período que dispone la ley?	YES
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	NO
	NO
NONPARTISAN OFFICES CARGOS NO PARTIDARIOS	
SCHOOL / ESCOLAR	
Superintendent of Public Instruction Superintendente de Instrucción Pública	
Vote for One / Vote por Uno	
MARSHALL TUCK Educator / Schools' Executive Educador / Ejecutivo de Escuelas	
TOM TORLAKSON Educator / California Superintendent Educador / Superintendente de California	

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MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS / MEDIDAS SOMETIDAS A LOS VOTANTES

STATE / ESTADO

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WATER BOND. FUNDING FOR WATER QUALITY, SUPPLY, TREATMENT, AND STORAGE PROJECTS. Authorizes \$7.545 billion in general obligation bonds for state water supply infrastructure projects, including surface and groundwater storage, ecosystem and watershed protection and restoration, and drinking water protection. Fiscal Impact: Increased state bond costs averaging \$360 million annually over 40 years. Local government savings for water-related projects, likely averaging a couple hundred million dollars annually over the next few decades.

BONOS DE AGUA. FINANCIAMIENTO PARA LA CALIDAD, SUMINISTRO, TRATAMIENTO Y PROYECTOS DE ALMACENAMIENTO DE AGUA. Autoriza \$7.545 mil millones en bonos de obligación general para proyectos estatales de infraestructura de suministro de agua, incluyendo almacenamiento de aguas superficiales y subterráneas, protección y restauración del ecosistema y las cuencas, y protección del agua potable. Impacto fiscal: Incremento de los costos de los bonos estatales con un promedio de \$360 millones anuales durante 40 años. Ahorros para el gobierno local por proyectos relacionados con el agua, posiblemente promediando un par de cientos de millones de dólares anuales durante las próximas décadas.

YES

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NO

NO

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STATE BUDGET. BUDGET STABILIZATION ACCOUNT. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Requires annual transfer of state general fund revenues to budget stabilization account. Requires half the revenues be used to repay state debts. Limits use of remaining funds to emergencies or budget deficits. Fiscal Impact: Long-term state savings from faster payment of existing debts. Different levels of state budget reserves, depending on economy and decisions by elected officials. Smaller local reserves for some school districts.

PRESUPUESTO ESTATAL. CUENTA DE ESTABILIZACIÓN DEL PRESUPUESTO. ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL LEGISLATIVA. Exige una transferencia anual de las rentas del fondo general a la cuenta de estabilización del presupuesto. Exige que la mitad de las rentas sea utilizada para pagar las deudas del estado. Limita el uso del remanente de fondos a emergencias o déficit presupuestarios. Impacto fiscal: Ahorros a largo plazo del estado por pago más rápido de las deudas actuales. Diferentes niveles de reservas del presupuesto estatal, dependiendo de la economía y las decisiones de funcionarios elegidos. Menores reservas locales para algunos distritos escolares.

YES

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NO

NO

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HEALTHCARE INSURANCE. RATE CHANGES. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Requires Insurance Commissioner's approval before health insurer can change its rates or anything else affecting the charges associated with health insurance. Provides for public notice, disclosure, and hearing, and subsequent judicial review. Exempts employer large group health plans. Fiscal Impact: Increased state administrative costs to regulate health insurance, likely not exceeding the low millions of dollars annually in most years, funded from fees paid by health insurance companies.

SEGURO DE CUIDADOS DE LA SALUD. CAMBIOS DE TARIFAS. INICIATIVA PARA PROMULGAR UN ESTATUTO. Exige la aprobación del Comisionado de Seguros antes de que las aseguradoras de salud puedan cambiar sus tarifas o cualquier cosa que afecte los cargos relacionados con el seguro de salud. Prevé aviso público, divulgación, y audiencia, y posterior revisión judicial. Exime a los planes de salud para grupos grandes proporcionados por empleadores. Impacto fiscal: Incremento de los costos administrativos del estado para regular el seguro de salud, que muy probablemente no excederá unos pocos millones de dólares anuales en la mayoría de los años, financiado con las tarifas pagadas por las compañías de seguro.

YES

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NO

NO

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DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING OF DOCTORS. MEDICAL NEGLIGENCE LAWSUITS. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Requires drug testing of doctors. Requires review of statewide prescription database before prescribing controlled substances. Increases \$250,000 pain/suffering cap in medical negligence lawsuits for inflation. Fiscal Impact: State and local government costs from raising the cap on medical malpractice damages ranging from tens of millions to several hundred million dollars annually, offset to some extent by savings from requirements on health care providers.

PRUEBAS DE DETECCIÓN DE DROGA Y ALCOHOL A DOCTORES. DEMANDAS POR NEGLIGENCIA MÉDICA. INICIATIVA PARA PROMULGAR UN ESTATUTO. Exige pruebas de detección de drogas a doctores. Exige revisar la base de datos estatal de medicamentos con receta antes de prescribir sustancias controladas. Incrementa el tope de \$250,000 de indemnización por dolor/sufrimiento en demandas de negligencia médica para compensar por la inflación. Impacto fiscal: Costos para los gobiernos estatal y local al aumentar el tope de indemnización por mala praxis médica, en el orden de decenas de millones a varios cientos de millones de dólares anuales, compensados en cierto modo por ahorros en los requerimientos sobre los proveedores de cuidados de la salud.

YES

SI

NO

NO

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CRIMINAL SENTENCES. MISDEMEANOR PENALTIES. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Requires misdemeanor sentence instead of felony for certain drug and property offenses. Inapplicable to persons with prior conviction for serious or violent crime and registered sex offenders. Fiscal Impact: State and county criminal justice savings potentially in the high hundreds of millions of dollars annually. State savings spent on school truancy and dropout prevention, mental health and substance abuse treatment, and victim services.

CONDENAS PENALES. PENAS POR DELITOS MENORES. INICIATIVA PARA PROMULGAR UN ESTATUTO. Exige condenas por delito menor en lugar de delito mayor para ciertas infracciones relacionadas con las drogas y la propiedad. No aplicable a personas con condenas anteriores por delitos graves o violentos y ofensores sexuales registrados. Impacto fiscal: Ahorros a los sistemas penales del estado y condado potencialmente en varios cientos de millones de dólares anuales. Los ahorros estatales se gastarán en la prevención del ausentismo y deserción escolar, tratamiento de salud mental y abuso de sustancias, y servicios a las víctimas.

YES

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NO

NO

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INDIAN GAMING COMPACTS. REFERENDUM. A "Yes" vote approves, and a "No" vote rejects, tribal gaming compacts between the state and the North Fork Rancheria of Mono Indians and the Wiyot Tribe. Fiscal Impact: One-time payments (\$16 million to \$35 million) and for 20 years annual payments (\$10 million) from Indian tribes to state and local governments to address costs related to the operation of a new casino.

CONVENIOS DE JUEGOS DE AZAR INDÍGENAS. REFERÉNDUM. Un voto "Sí" aprueba, y un voto "No" rechaza los convenios de juegos de azar indígenas entre el estado y los Indios Mono de North Fork Rancheria y la Tribu Wiyot. Impacto fiscal: Pagos por única vez (\$16 millones a \$35 millones) y pagos anuales durante 20 años (\$10 millones) de las tribus indígenas al estado y los gobiernos locales para solventar los costos relacionados con la operación de un nuevo casino.

YES	↓
SÍ	↓
NO	↓
NO	↓

CITY / CIUDAD

CITY OF INDIO / CIUDAD DE INDIO

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City of Indio Vital Services Measure. To maintain community safety / quality neighborhoods by retaining police, firefighters, and paramedics; replacing outdated fire trucks / ambulances; and maintaining 9-1-1 emergency response times, youth / senior services, parks and other general city services shall an ordinance be adopted updating Indio's existing transient occupancy tax, paid only by overnight hotel / lodging guests, be set at a uniform thirteen percent for all hotels (including campgrounds/vehicle parks), with annual independent audits?

Medida de Servicios Vitales de la Ciudad de Indio. Para mantener la seguridad de la comunidad / vecindarios de calidad mediante la retención de policías, bomberos y paramédicos; reemplazar camiones de bomberos / ambulancias anticuadas; y mantener tiempos de respuesta de emergencia del 9-1-1, servicios para jóvenes / ancianos, parques y otros servicios de la ciudad en general, ¿se adoptará una ordenanza para actualizar el impuesto de ocupación transitoria existente de Indio, pagado sólo por huéspedes de hotel / alojamiento durante una noche, que se fije en un trece por ciento uniforme para todos los hoteles (incluyendo campamentos/parques para vehículos), con auditorías anuales independientes?

YES	↓
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NO	↓
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VOTER'S PAMPHLET INFORMATION SECTION

The following pages contain voter information applicable to your ballot which may include the following items:

- CANDIDATE STATEMENTS
- BALLOT MEASURES
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Among all state legislative candidates appearing on ballots in Riverside County, the following persons have pledged to abide by campaign spending limits as specified in the California Government Code. Candidates agreeing to the limits have the opportunity to publish a statement of qualifications in the local sample ballot pamphlet.

This list covers all legislative districts in the County. Not all districts will appear on your ballot.

STATE SENATE, 28TH DISTRICT

Jeff Stone, Republican
Bonnie Garcia, Republican

STATE ASSEMBLY, 42ND DISTRICT

Chad Mayes, Republican
Karalee Hargrove, Democratic

STATE ASSEMBLY, 56TH DISTRICT

Eduardo Garcia, Democratic
Charles Bennett Jr., Republican

STATE ASSEMBLY, 60TH DISTRICT

Ken Park, Democratic

STATE ASSEMBLY, 61ST DISTRICT

Rudy Aranda, Republican

STATE ASSEMBLY, 67TH DISTRICT

Melissa Melendez, Republican
Conrad Melton, Democratic

STATE ASSEMBLY, 71ST DISTRICT

Tony Teora, Republican
Brian W. Jones, Republican

STATE ASSEMBLY, 75TH DISTRICT

Marie Waldron, Republican
Nicholas Shestopole, Democratic

Party Endorsements – Elections Code § 13302(b)

The County Elections Official shall print a list of all candidates for Voter-Nominated Offices that are endorsed by the following qualified political parties:

DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Edmund G. "Jerry" Brown, Governor
Gavin Newsom, Lieutenant Governor
Alex Padilla, Secretary of State
Betty T. Yee, Controller
John Chiang, Treasurer
Kamala D. Harris, Attorney General
Dave Jones, Insurance Commissioner
Nader Shahatit, Board of Equalization Member, 4th District
Raul Ruiz, United States Representative, 36th District
Mark Takano, United States Representative, 41st District
Tim Sheridan, United States Representative, 42nd District
James H. Kimber, United States Representative, 50th District
Karalee Hargrove, Member of the State Assembly, 42nd District
Eduardo Garcia, Member of the State Assembly, 56th District
Ken Park, Member of the State Assembly, 60th District
Jose Medina, Member of the State Assembly, 61st District
Conrad Melton, Member of the State Assembly, 67th District
Nicholas Shestopole, Member of the State Assembly, 75th District

REPUBLICAN PARTY

Neel Kashkari, Governor
Ron Nehring, Lieutenant Governor
Pete Peterson, Secretary of State
Ashley Swarengin, Controller
Greg Conlon, Treasurer
Ronald Gold, Attorney General
Ted Gaines, Insurance Commissioner
Diane L. Harkey, Board of Equalization Member, 4th District
Brian Nestande, United States Representative, 36th District
Steve Adams, United States Representative, 41st District
Ken Calvert, United States Representative, 42nd District
Duncan Hunter, United States Representative, 50th District
Chad Mayes, Member of the State Assembly, 42nd District
Eric Linder, Member of the State Assembly, 60th District
Rudy Aranda, Member of the State Assembly, 61st District
Melissa Melendez, Member of the State Assembly, 67th District
Marie Waldron, Member of the State Assembly, 75th District

AMERICAN INDEPENDENT PARTY

Pete Peterson, Secretary of State
Ashley Swarengin, Controller
Ronald Gold, Attorney General
Ted Gaines, Insurance Commissioner
Diane L. Harkey, Board of Equalization Member, 4th District
Steve Adams, United States Representative, 41st District
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**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE,
36TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

BRIAN NESTANDE, Republican

AGE: 50

OCCUPATION: State Assemblyman / Businessman

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

Congress isn't getting anything done, and the current Congress is one of history's worst.

In Congress, I'll work to:

- ✓ Immediately secure the border as the FIRST step in immigration reform
- ✓ STOP the overspending and pass a balanced budget amendment
- ✓ Hold Congress accountable - no balanced budget = no paycheck
- ✓ Create policies that encourage businesses to expand so we have high quality good paying jobs

Middle class families cannot afford another do-nothing Congress. In the last two years, Congress sent America another \$2 trillion deeper into debt - an amount equal to an additional \$9,000 of debt per U.S. taxpayer.

At the same time, the cost of healthcare under Obamacare has risen by as much as fifty percent, and millions of seniors have seen their Medicare benefits reduced.

Worker wages have remained stagnant, and more businesses are moving off-shore as Congress debates adding even higher taxes and more regulations.

My wife Gina and I are raising our family and we know first-hand how difficult Washington is making it for middle class families to get ahead.

I'll make sure the priorities of seniors and middle-class families are put into action, and that's the difference. That's why I've been endorsed by most of the local elected leaders in our District - people who understand how difficult it's been to have a voice in Congress. I would be honored to have your vote.

Learn more at www.BrianNestande.com.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
STATE SENATOR,
28TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

JEFF STONE, Republican

OCCUPATION: Riverside County Supervisor / Small Business Owner

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

As a Riverside County Supervisor and longtime small business owner, I'm proud to be running for the Senate with the support of local taxpayers, seniors, veterans, small business owners and over 45 city council members and elected officials from the Coachella Valley and Riverside County. Councilman Glenn Miller, who ran a strong campaign in June, has now endorsed me.

I'm also honored to be the choice of Riverside County Sheriff Stan Sniff and the Riverside Sheriffs Association. Over 3,200 law enforcement officers and investigators in Riverside County endorse me because they know I will **OPPOSE EARLY RELEASE** of dangerous prisoners and work to keep our neighborhoods, schools and homes safe.

I signed the NO NEW TAXES pledge. As a local official, I successfully lowered taxes without cutting vital services. I'll work to do the same in Sacramento.

I strongly oppose the federal government's policy of moving illegal immigrants from the Texas border to Riverside County communities. The Feds need to enforce the law and control the border.

My priorities are: JOB CREATION and Improving the Business Climate; No New Taxes, Cut Waste and Balance the Budget.

Special interests in Sacramento are spending massive sums of money to influence your vote and defeat me. Ask yourself: do you want a Senator who will be a voice for the special interests; or one who will be a voice for you and Riverside County?

I'd be honored to receive your vote. Please visit www.JeffStone2014.com to read more. Thank you.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
STATE SENATOR,
28TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

BONNIE GARCIA, Republican

OCCUPATION: Small Business Woman

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

California is broken and in dire need of commonsense solutions.

During the six years I served in the Assembly, I kept my promise and refused to support tax increases and reckless spending. My commitment to California's hardworking taxpayers earned me the support of the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association and local elected officials from across the county.

A strong workforce is more important than senseless regulations. The California Small Business Association supports me because I created thousands of jobs, expanded opportunities for veterans and secured funding for small businesses.

I'm from a law enforcement and military family, value freedom and understand personal sacrifice. The California Police Chief's Association and Crime Victims United have endorsed me due to my strong support of public safety and fervent opposition toward the Governor's early release program for hardened criminals.

We must focus on issues that directly affect the future of our state and its industries: namely, our dwindling water supply. As your Senator, I will fight to ensure that California's water supply is readily available for those who need it most: families and small businesses that depend on this critical resource to create jobs and sustain our high standard of living.

With your support I will continue to use my experience and degree in Workforce Development and Education to promote a broad array of conservative priorities - sound fiscal policies, quality schools, safer communities and protecting the value of every life.

Experience and ethics matter.

For more information please visit BonnieGarcia.org

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY,
56TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

EDUARDO GARCIA, Democratic
OCCUPATION: Mayor / Legislative Director
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

As a lifelong resident of the Coachella Valley, a father, and a public servant, I want what is best for our families, residents, and local businesses.

I am running for State Assembly to fight for the issues that matter most to our residents: strengthening our economy, improving neighborhood schools, and building healthier, safer communities.

As a four-term Mayor of Coachella and policy director, I have a proven track record of building coalitions with Republicans and Democrats to deliver results and positive solutions for our community.

As Mayor, I work with business and labor to launch local job creation initiatives. Under my watch, Coachella invested over \$100 million in public works projects – infrastructure and transportation, parks & recreation, and a revitalized downtown. As a result, our city is a better place to live, work, and raise a family. During the recession, when other cities across the state made drastic cuts and slashed services, our residents and tax dollars were protected because of the fiscal safeguards I helped establish.

I've built partnerships between the city and community-based non-profits to expand access to health care throughout the Coachella Valley – work that was recognized by President Bill Clinton last year.

I have the experience and proven record as an effective leader needed to fight for the Coachella Valley in the Legislature. Please join Congressman Raul Ruiz, firefighters, teachers, police officers, and the California Democratic Party in supporting my campaign.

www.voteforgarcia.com

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY,
56TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

CHARLES BENNETT, Republican
OCCUPATION: Security/Public Safety Consultant
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

AGE: 41

I am Charles Bennett Jr and I am running for the 56th assembly district to serve you, the people, as I did for our country as a US Marine for over 10 years.

I attended public schools until the 11th grade when I attended and graduated from a military school. Upon graduating, I attended an aviation college prior to enlisting in the Marine Corps where I worked as a military police officer having worked in various aspects of law enforcement.

Upon coming to Riverside County, I used the GI bill to attend COD where I studied business as well as classes in economics.

Currently, I have a small business where I consult on security and public safety issues for public and private entities, and also serve as a contributing expert to local broadcast media.

I entered the workforce at 13 delivering newspapers. I have had a variety jobs; some I did not like but had to do in order to pay bills. I know what it is like to be broke and live payday to payday.

I am running to serve the people, not politicians, special interests or agenda's. I know what it takes to create jobs, keep our communities and schools safe and I will make veteran's issues a priority.

I currently live in Indio with my wife and two small children.

I am asking for your vote to represent you in Sacramento.

Please visit www.thepeopleswork.com for more information. I am very interested in hearing your concerns. Thank you.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER,
COACHELLA VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, TRUSTEE AREA 1**

BLANCA TORRES HALL **AGE: 52**
OCCUPATION: Teacher / Children Social Service Sup.
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

I am a lifelong resident of the Coachella Valley and I've spent my career educating our students and protecting our children. I am a mother of three sons, who also attended CVUSD. Our area has seen large growth in its population and our administrators and educators have had to manage this growth while continuing to provide a quality education for our students. I believe I can help. I received my bachelors in liberal studies and psychology from Cal. State University, San Bernardino in 1991 and my masters of social work in 2000. I have a credential in adult education, and I am a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW). I've been teaching ESL at the Coachella Valley Adult School for 14 years and have collaborated to formulate our ESL curriculum. I was part of the Coachella Valley Adult School committee on accreditation, and we successfully became an accredited school in 2007. I've taught independent studies for years, where I've learned the value of individualized curriculum. When I am not teaching I am a Children's Social Service Supervisor with Riverside County. My goal as a School Board Member is to put the educational needs of our students first. I need your vote.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER,
COACHELLA VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, TRUSTEE AREA 1**

ALMA DELIA SILVA **AGE: 47**
OCCUPATION: Youth Development Program Specialist
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

The willingness and passion to make a difference in our community. To lead for a positive change, even if it takes hardwork and sacrifice. Working as a team member who represents the students, parents, teachers, and community.

Education:

Coachella Valley High School – 1985
California State University, San Bernardino 1985 – 1986
National Apostolic Bible College – 2007
College of the Desert – 2014

Qualifications:

C.V.U.S.D. Parent / Volunteer
Former C.V.U.S.D. Student
Former C.V.U.S.D. employee

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER,
COACHELLA VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, TRUSTEE AREA 1**

ANNA LISA VARGAS **AGE: 33**
OCCUPATION: Health Program Coordinator
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

It has been an honor representing my community on the School Board for the past four years. As a lifelong Coachella resident, I am appreciative of your faith in me. Due to your support, in the 2010 election I received the most votes of all Area 1 candidates. I have lived up to my campaign promises and need your support again.

I am deeply committed to ensuring that all students of CVUSD attain educational excellence. If re-elected, my priority will continue to be working with our students and families. During my tenure, we as a district have accomplished the following:

- In 2014, CVUSD had 55% of the Gates Millennium scholars for the entire County of Riverside.
- We are providing more AP and Honors courses to our students and are pushing for higher college enrollments.
- New athletic facilities are being constructed at West Shores and Coachella Valley High schools.
- Our busing fleet is now using, pollution wise LNG fuel.
- CVUSD is now recognized as an Apple Distinguished Program

I am proud to be a CVHS graduate and will continue to help make CVUSD a great place for students to learn and thrive.

Once again, I humbly ask for your support.

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**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER,
COACHELLA VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, TRUSTEE AREA 1**

TRINIDAD ARREDONDO

AGE: 30

OCCUPATION: Program Manager

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

I have been a life long resident of Coachella, attended schools within the Coachella Valley Unified School District and graduated from Coachella Valley High School. After earning my Bachelor's degree from the University of California at Santa Cruz, I returned to Coachella in 2006 and worked as a substitute teacher at Desert Mirage High School. During the summer, I helped with the district after school program. In addition to a bachelor's degree in Politics and Latin American Studies, I hold a certificate in Non profit Management from the University of California at Riverside. I have served my community for the past 20 year as a volunteer, giving my time at various community events, coaching little league, serving as an explorer with the Riverside County Sheriff's Department and working at local high schools to expand opportunities for young people. Coachella Valley Unified School District provided me with a first-class education and employment opportunities. With my experience and passion for the well being of my community, I want to return the favor as a school board member. I ask for your vote this November.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER,
COACHELLA VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, TRUSTEE AREA 1**

JOEY ACUÑA, JR.

OCCUPATION: Parent

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

As a Lifelong resident of the City of Coachella and the parent of a student in the Coachella Valley Unified School District, I am committed to making Education a top priority.

The educational and fiscal accountability of our schools must be a partnership with all stakeholders, parents and staff alike. As a past student, board member and employee of the district, I have a unique perspective and the experience to make the changes necessary on many of the important in our schools. Such as demanding fiscal accountability, improving the drop-out rate, preparing all students for college and providing the resources necessary for all our staff.

For years I have worked along side many of you, in in our schools and in our community, and together we can once again bring the needed changes to our schools. I make this commitment to you, I will respectfully listen to all points of view and will challenge us to do better, to reach higher and to never forget that this is about the future of our children.

On November 4th I humbly request your vote for the CVUSD School Board.

JOEY ACUÑA JR.

ACUNA4CVUSD@AOL.COM

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
CITY COUNCIL MEMBER,
CITY OF INDIO**

ELAINE HOLMES

OCCUPATION: Indio Businesswoman / Incumbent
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

It has been my honor to serve Indio as your Councilwoman and Past Mayor. When I took office four years ago financial problems and stalled economic growth hindered our local economy. I am proud to say much has changed since then, the plan I campaigned on 4 years ago is coming to fruition.

1. Balancing the budget and building reserves: We now have a balanced budget and we are building our reserves. We have an aggressive economic development plan that has brought in revenue from retail growth, restaurants, and new businesses.
2. Public Safety: I have advocated for increased funding for Public Safety and now there are additional patrol officers and greater Code Enforcement.
3. Conserve and Protect Resources: I encouraged the implementation of a water conservation program and a landscape incentive program for reducing water consumption.
4. Improve our Infrastructure: We've retrofitted our bridges and widened streets, there is now new funding to continue more road improvements and upgrading parks.
5. Emergency Preparedness: We now have a full scale Emergency Services and Preparedness Plan for our community.

I will continue to oversee the city's resources and to make Indio business friendly. Please vote for me, re-elect Elaine Holmes.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
CITY COUNCIL MEMBER,
CITY OF INDIO**

TROY STRANGE

AGE: 44

OCCUPATION: Project Manager
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

Born and raised in Indio, I proudly submit my candidacy for City Council. Confidently, I offer the right balance of education, experience and personal skills to provide our residents with effective leadership into the future.

In recent years, Indio has struggled with fiscal issues that have impacted basic City services and its ability to promote economic development programs. Currently, the economy is in an apparent rebound. Therefore, now is the time to strategically and aggressively recruit revenue generating businesses to our community.

With professional experience in both the public and private sector, I offer unique qualifications to develop the interest, partnerships and ultimately, create the desired results for the benefit of our community.

Leadership requires commitment, sacrifice, passion and an ability to connect with people. To demonstrate that I practice the same, my experience includes; former educator, public redevelopment/ economic development employee, entrepreneur, after school enrichment program operator, youth sports coach and, current development consultant. I will apply all these experiences when evaluating issues and develop sound and prudent decisions related to; fiscal conservancy, public safety, economic development, parks and recreation, social programs, etc.

I will honor your support this November with great appreciation and sound character.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
CITY COUNCIL MEMBER,
CITY OF INDIO**

ASCENCION B. TORRES

AGE: 55

OCCUPATION: Plumber
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

Graduated Perris High School 1976. I have worked all my life since then in construction. I have served in local government for a total of 12 years. 8 years in Perris, California and 4 years in Indio.

Since being elected to Indio City Council I have worked hard to balance budgets and rebuild our reserves. Together we have increased services, re-opened up city hall on Fridays, enhanced our financial profile, realizing greater savings on our debt service, reorganized employee pensions and benefits ensuring sustainability and re-established Indio's place as the "Hub of the Valley".

With your support I hope to continue to work with my colleagues and staff to develop and implement the "Blue Print" for Indio's future. We will continue to enhance public safety, public services, parks and create greater economic opportunity and job growth.

It has been a distinct honor to serve the residents of Indio as your council representative and to be part of a Council that has worked tirelessly to recover from the brink of financial collapse. I hope to be able to help expand our vision and secure our future.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
CITY COUNCIL MEMBER,
CITY OF INDIO**

MICHAEL H. WILSON

AGE: 49

OCCUPATION: Retired Firefighter
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

It has been an honor and privilege to serve you as Mayor and Councilmember for 17yrs. on the Indio City Council. It takes experience and knowing Indio's history to be an effective leader in Indio and my resume includes both.

I have worked hard to expand Indio's tax base by aggressively pursuing economic development and attracting additional retail shopping and eating establishments such as the new Walmart Superstore, IHOP, and many more. Leading Indio to create 1000's of jobs for our community through our Economic Development plans and policies that work has been rewarding.

Over the last 4 years, through fiscal conservative leadership, we crafted plans and policies that turned a \$4mil. deficit to four consecutive balanced budgets and a \$7mil. reserve. Recently, Indio refinanced several CFD's and Assessment Districts that will put \$8mil. back into the pockets of our residents. Our 17yr concert agreements for Coachella and Stagecoach has assured Indio revenue for Police, Fire, and Community Services.

Through effective leadership I helped create an award winning Better Neighborhoods Program that has put millions of dollars into our most needed neighborhoods. Today, Indio is in a great position to prosper and build into a very successful City.

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR
DIRECTOR,
COACHELLA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT, DIVISION 3**

JOHN POWELL, JR.

AGE: 49

**OCCUPATION: Family Businessperson
EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:**

The Coachella Valley depends on imported water rights from both the Colorado River and the State Water Project to recharge its vast underground aquifer. I have successfully increased our imported water rights and ask for your vote to continue to defend those rights to ensure the sustainability of our water supply. Despite the drought, there is more water in the aquifer now than there was at the beginning of my term.

The drought is severe and requires all Californians to reduce water use. CVWD conservation programs are in place to reduce water use and reverse the overdraft of our aquifer. I am committed to enhancing education and outreach and to increasing funding for our conservation programs to further reduce water use in the Coachella Valley.

Domestic water rates have not increased during my first four year term as your CVWD director. I have worked hard to make CVWD more efficient with your dollars and will continue to fight for stable water rates.

Born and raised in the Coachella Valley, I raised my family here after graduating from Stanford University.

I stand for a sustainable aquifer and stable rates. See www.Powell2014.com for more information. Thank you for your vote.

MEASURE "O" – CITY OF INDIO

EXHIBIT "A"

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF INDIO AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION TO INCREASE THE RATE OF THE CITY'S EXISTING UNIFORM TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX FROM TEN PERCENT (10%) TO THIRTEEN PERCENT (13%) FOR HOTELS WITH LESS THAN 50 ROOMS INCLUDING CAMPGROUNDS AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARKS, AMEND THE RATE STRUCTURE FOR HOTELS WITH 50 OR MORE ROOMS IF CERTAIN CONDITIONS ARE MET AND AMEND THE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING HOTELS TO INCLUDE CAMPGROUNDS

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF INDIO DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 34.37 of Chapter 34 of Title 3 of the Indio Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"A. For the privilege of occupancy in any hotel that has less than fifty (50) sleeping rooms or occupancy in any campground or recreational vehicle park, each transient is subject to and shall pay a tax in the amount of thirteen percent (13%) of the rent charged by the operator.

B. For the privilege of occupancy in any hotel that has fifty (50) or more sleeping rooms, each transient is subject to and shall pay a tax in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the rent charged by the operator; provided, however, that each transient is subject to and shall pay a tax in the amount of thirteen percent (13%) of the rent charged by the operator in the event that: (i) the boundaries of the Palm Springs Desert Resort Communities Tourism Business Improvement District, as established by Ordinance No. 883 of the County of Riverside (as amended from time to time) ("Tourism BID") and the Greater Palm Springs Convention & Visitors Bureau Tourism Marketing District, as established by Ordinance No. 2013-001 of the Palm Springs Desert Resort Communities Convention and Visitors Authority (as amended from time to time) ("Marketing BID"), no longer include a portion of the City of Indio or (ii) the respective governing entities of the Tourism BID and Marketing BID cease to levy an assessment on any hotel subject to the tax imposed by this Subsection B.

C. This tax set forth in this Section 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 in 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 the tax shall be paid directly to the Tax Administrator."

Section 2. The following definition is hereby added to Section 34.36 of Chapter 34 of Title 3 of the Indio Municipal Code to read as follows:

"CAMPGROUND. Any real property where transients may locate a tent, trailer, tent trailer, pick-up, camper, vehicle or other similar temporary structure for the purposes of lodging, dwelling, or sleeping, whether or not water, electricity or sanitary facilities are provided. Real property includes but is not limited to a camping site or a space at a campground."

Section 3. The following definitions set forth in Section 34.36 of Chapter 34 of Title 3 of the Indio Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"HOTEL. Any structure or any portion of any structure which is occupied or intended or designed for use or occupancy by transients including, but not limited to, dwelling, lodging or sleeping purposes and includes any hotel, inn, tourist home or house, motel, studio hotel, bachelor hotel, lodginghouse, roominghouse, apartment house, dormitory, public or private club, campground, mobile home or house trailer at a fixed location, or other like structure or portion thereof. HOTEL includes a recreational vehicle, as defined in Cal. Health & Safety Code § 18010 and campgrounds."

Section 4. Notwithstanding Section 9217 of the California Elections Code, the City Council shall have the power and authority to repeal this Ordinance or to amend this Ordinance to establish a transient occupancy tax rate in an amount does not exceed the rate established in Section 1 of this Ordinance. In no event shall the City Council amend this Ordinance to establish a transient occupancy tax rate in an amount that exceeds of the rate established in Section 1 of this Ordinance without approval by a majority of the voters voting in an election on the increase.

Section 5. 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 Indio 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. 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 7. The Mayor is hereby authorized to attest to the adoption of this Ordinance by signing where indicated below. This Ordinance shall take effect ten (10) days following certification of the vote by the City Council.

I hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED by the People of the Indio voting on ____ day of _____, 2014.

Mayor of the City of Indio

Attest:

Cynthia Hernandez, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Roxanne Diaz, City Attorney

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE "O"

The City of Indio's current transient occupancy tax (TOT) is 10% of the room charge that hotel and lodging facilities impose on their transients (guests) and has been in effect since April 1, 1989. TOT is paid by persons staying at such facilities for a period of thirty (30) days or less and is not paid by property owners.

Measure "O" will increase the TOT from 10% to 13% for hotel and lodging facilities with less than 50 rooms and on occupancies in any campground or recreational vehicle park. Transients in hotel and lodging facilities with 50 rooms or more already pay a 13% "surcharge" made up of 10% TOT, a 2% assessment levied by a multi-jurisdictional Tourism Business Improvement District, and a 1% assessment levied by a multi-jurisdictional Tourism Marketing District. Measure "O" will provide uniformity of among hotel and lodging facilities regardless of the number of rooms by ensuring that transients will pay either 13% in TOT or 10% in TOT plus 3% in assessments. If the City ceases participating in either the improvement or marketing district, then the TOT collected by lodging facilities with 50 or more rooms will increase in accordance with the reduction in assessments collected. Measure "O" also clarifies the definition of hotels to include campgrounds and provides a definition of campgrounds.

If Measure "O" is approved, persons staying at hotels and lodging facilities regardless of the number of rooms, including campgrounds or recreational vehicle parks would pay \$13.00 in surcharges for each \$100 of the room charge per day (either \$13.00 in TOT or \$10.00 in TOT and \$3.00 assessment).

Revenue generated by the TOT will continue to be deposited into the City's General Fund and may be used to continue to fund general City services such as police, firefighters, paramedics, senior and youth services and parks. If Measure "O" is approved, it is estimated that TOT revenue will increase by approximately \$514,656 per fiscal year.

On July 16, 2014, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 9725 to place this Measure on the ballot.

A "Yes" vote on Measure "O" is a vote in favor of increasing the TOT from 10% to 13% and will result in uniformity among all hotel and lodging facilities regardless of the number of rooms, including campgrounds and recreational vehicles. A "No" vote on Measure "O" is a vote to maintain the TOT at the existing rate of 10% for hotel and lodging facilities including campgrounds and recreational vehicle parks except those persons staying at hotel and lodging facilities with 50 or more rooms, will continue to pay 10% in TOT and 3% in assessments. This Measure "O" will be adopted if it is approved by a majority of the voters voting on this Measure.

By: Roxanne Diaz
City Attorney

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure "O". If you desire a copy of the measure, please call the elections official's office at (760) 391-4000 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE "O"

Vote **YES** on "O"! Maintain and protect Indio's essential City services without raising homeowners' taxes.

Measure "O" is NOT a tax on homes or property. For years, hotel or lodging guests in Indio have paid a "transient occupancy tax" on hotel rooms. This type of tax is only paid by hotel or lodging guests, nearly all of whom are visitors or travelers stopping in Indio to shop or attend our events. Other Indio residents and property owners are NOT taxed.

YES on "O" simply continues and updates an existing, reliable funding source that supports essential City services we all rely on, without raising taxes on your personal property or home.

- **YES on "O"** maintains rapid 9-1-1 emergency response times and funding for police officers, firefighters, and paramedics.
- **YES on "O"** maintains funding for emergency reserves, so our City can respond effectively to a major crisis, like an earthquake.
- **YES on "O"** helps increase police patrols in our neighborhoods, parks and local schools and continues anti-gang and drug enforcement programs.
- **YES on "O"** maintains funding for youth and senior services, park improvements, street maintenance and pothole repair.

YES on "O" ensures that hotel guests and visitors to Indio pay their fair share for our services. By law, Measure "O" provides local funding that cannot be taken by Sacramento, ensuring Local Control. Sacramento politicians can't touch this money!

Measure "O" funding would be subject to annual independent financial audits to ensure that all voter-approved funds are spent appropriately.

YES on "O" simply updates an already-existing hotel tax that has been in place for years, so all hotel or lodging operators are charging the same percentage to their guests -- and will NOT otherwise increase your property or homeowner taxes whatsoever.

For factual information about Measure "O", visit www.indio.org

By: Michael H. Wilson, Mayor of Indio
Jerry Tack, Boardmember, Indio Chamber of Commerce
Jose Ibarra, Indio Police Officers Association
Joan Dzuro, Retiree and Indio Taxpayer
Joanne Gilbert, Youth Advocate

NO ARGUMENT FILED AGAINST MEASURE "O"

CAN'T MAKE IT ON ELECTION DAY?
WE'RE MAKING IT EASY TO VOTE EARLY



AT THE REGISTRAR OF VOTERS OFFICE

2724 Gateway Drive, Riverside, CA 92507

October 6 through November 3

(excluding Holidays)

Monday through Friday

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 25 and November 1

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Election Day, November 4

7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

AND AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS

October 24-26, Friday through Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



GALLERIA AT TYLER
1299 GALLERIA AT TYLER
RIVERSIDE, CA 92503



WESTFIELD PALM DESERT
72-840 HIGHWAY 111
PALM DESERT, CA 92260



THE PROMENADE
40820 WINCHESTER ROAD
TEMECULA, CA 92591



VOTE-BY-MAIL

You can request your OFFICIAL VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT by using the application on the back of this sample ballot booklet. Return your vote-by-mail ballot by mail or at the following drop-off locations throughout Riverside County October 6 to November 3:

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• City Clerk’s Offices (as listed) • The Registrar of Voters Office up until close of polls on Election Day. • The Registrar of Voters 24-hour Drop Box is available east of the main entry doors. • At any Polling Place in Riverside County on Election Day.	<u>Participating City Clerk’s Offices</u> <table><tr><td>Banning</td><td>La Quinta</td></tr><tr><td>Beaumont</td><td>Menifee</td></tr><tr><td>Blythe</td><td>Moreno Valley</td></tr><tr><td>Calimesa</td><td>Murrieta</td></tr><tr><td>Canyon Lake</td><td>Norco</td></tr><tr><td>Cathedral City</td><td>Palm Desert</td></tr><tr><td>Coachella</td><td>Palm Springs</td></tr><tr><td>Corona</td><td>Perris</td></tr><tr><td>Desert Hot Springs</td><td>Rancho Mirage</td></tr><tr><td>Eastvale</td><td>Riverside</td></tr><tr><td>Hemet</td><td>(open until 8:00pm</td></tr><tr><td>Indian Wells</td><td>on Election Day)</td></tr><tr><td>Indio</td><td>San Jacinto</td></tr><tr><td>Jurupa Valley</td><td>Temecula</td></tr><tr><td>Lake Elsinore</td><td>Wildomar</td></tr></table>	Banning	La Quinta	Beaumont	Menifee	Blythe	Moreno Valley	Calimesa	Murrieta	Canyon Lake	Norco	Cathedral City	Palm Desert	Coachella	Palm Springs	Corona	Perris	Desert Hot Springs	Rancho Mirage	Eastvale	Riverside	Hemet	(open until 8:00pm	Indian Wells	on Election Day)	Indio	San Jacinto	Jurupa Valley	Temecula	Lake Elsinore	Wildomar	Check out our website for all of the drop-off locations throughout Riverside County at WWW.VOTEINFO.NET or call our office at 951-486-7200 or 1-800-773-VOTE(8683)
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IMPORTANT DATES



OCTOBER 6

First day you can vote

OCTOBER 20

Close of voter registration

OCTOBER 28

Last day to request a
Vote-by-Mail ballot

NOVEMBER 4, ELECTION DAY

Vote at your polling place, drop off your Vote-by-Mail ballot at any polling place or vote at the Registrar of Voters office by 8:00 p.m.



YOU HAVE THE OPTION

OPT-IN TO VIEW YOUR SAMPLE BALLOT ONLINE!

You can view all future
Sample Ballot Information Pamphlets
online with 24/7 access at your convenience.

It's easy and great for the environment.

For more information visit www.voteinfo.net
or call 951-486-7200 or 1-800-773-VOTE(8683)



VOTE-BY-MAIL

October 6 thru October 28



HAVE YOU HEARD?

You can request to vote-by-mail in any election or elect to receive all ballots for future elections in the mail.

It's not too late to have your ballot mailed to you for this election. Fill out the application on the back cover of this Sample Ballot and Information Pamphlet.

SAME OFFICIAL BALLOT – AT YOUR CONVENIENCE

Please visit our website at www.voteinfo.net for ballot drop off locations.

Vote First, Count First! Vote-by-Mail ballots received before Election Day are counted first. Return your ballot as soon as possible to ensure that it is included in the first Election Night results!

EARLY VOTING ALSO AVAILABLE

You can vote early at:

The Registrar of Voters Office
2724 Gateway Drive
Riverside, CA 92507



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Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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Election Day, November 4, 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Please visit our website at www.voteinfo.net
for additional early voting information.

Have an idea for a Polling Place location?

SUGGEST A POLLING PLACE

Currently the Registrar's Office has many partners who have served their communities by hosting polling places.



Consider the benefits:

- 💡 Serve your community
- 💡 Promote your business
- 💡 Earn \$25 for using your location
- 💡 Great way to meet your neighbors and friends
- 💡 Gain a greater awareness of the voting process

If you are interested in allowing the use of a facility as a Polling Place, please contact the Registrar of Voters at:

2724 Gateway Drive, Riverside, CA 92507

Call: 951-486-7341 or toll free 1-877-663-9906 Fax: 951-486-7320

E-mail: Acanada@co.riverside.ca.us

FROM



FIRST
CLASS
POSTAGE

PLACE STAMP HERE

DID YOU SIGN YOUR APPLICATION?

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
2724 GATEWAY DRIVE
RIVERSIDE CA 92507-0923



NOTICE TO THE VOTER WITH SPECIAL NEEDS:

A "YES" or "NO" printed under the disabled symbol/arrow on the back cover of this pamphlet indicates whether or not your assigned polling place is accessible to physically disabled voters. Please be advised of the following alternate ways you may cast your ballot.

- **By mail.** You may request a vote-by-mail ballot. Simply complete the application on the back cover of this pamphlet. The application must be mailed to reach the Registrar of Voters Office by the deadline given.
- **Early Voting.** You may vote at the Registrar of Voters office located at 2724 Gateway Drive, Riverside, CA 92507, October 6 - November 3 (excluding Holidays), Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Saturday, October 25 and November 1, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; and Election Day, November 4, 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Please visit our website at www.voteinfo.net for additional early voting locations and information.
- **Curbside Voting on Election Day.** If you are unable to enter the polling place due to a physical disability, you may request Curbside Voting at your assigned polling place. Upon arrival at the polling place, you will be allowed to vote in a location as near as possible to the entrance that is accessible to the physically disabled. If you require Curbside Voting, please call 1-877-663-9906 before going to your assigned polling place and/or when you arrive at the facility. An Election Officer will be contacted prior to your arrival to meet you at the curb.

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
2724 GATEWAY DRIVE
RIVERSIDE, CA 92507-0918



NONPROFIT
U.S. POSTAGE
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Registrar of Voters
Riverside

VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT APPLICATION

APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 28, 2014

I hereby request a ballot for the Consolidated General Election, November 4, 2014.

PLEASE PRINT:

NAME AS REGISTERED

RESIDENCE ADDRESS AS REGISTERED

CITY STATE ZIP

MAIL BALLOT TO:

ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT)

CITY STATE ZIP

☐ ☒ Check this box to request PERMANENT VOTE-BY-MAIL status.

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the information provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

↓ POSTMASTER DELIVER TO ↓

SIGNATURE
REQUIRED

SIGNATURE OF VOTER

DATE

33-BCov PRIMARY 06-03-14

BALLOT
TYPE

217

✓ **You May Cast Your Vote Early**

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IMPORTANT NOTICE!!!

Accessible Voting Unit available at all polling locations.

TO MARK YOUR VOTE
DRAW A LINE



VOTE!!!

For a demonstration on marking your ballot visit www.voteinfo.net

VOTE EARLY

IT'S QUICK

IT'S EASY

IT'S CONVENIENT

GET OUT OF LINE ON ELECTION DAY!

VOTE-BY-MAIL

↓ LOCATION OF YOUR POLLING PLACE ↓



ACCESS?

