

County of Riverside



Registrar of Voters

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

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October 20, 2014**
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October 6th - October 28th
Application on Back Cover

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Una traducción en Español de esta Boleta de Muestra y Folleto de Información al Votante puede obtenerse en la oficina del Registro de Votantes llamando al (951) 486-7200 o 1 (800) 773-VOTE (8683) o visite nuestro sitio web www.voteinfo.net

Consolidated General Election

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



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Riverside County
Registrar of Voters Office

See inside for additional locations and information



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

SAMPLE BALLOT / BOLETA EJEMPLAR

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	FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT PARA JUEZ ASOCIADO DE LA CORTE SUPREMA	
GAVIN NEWSOM Party Preference: Democratic Lieutenant Governor Vicegobernador	Secretary of State Secretario de Estado Vote for One / Vote por Uno	Shall Stanford University Law Professor, 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
RON NEHRING Party Preference: Republican Small Businessman / Educator Pequeño Empresario / Educador	Controller / Contralor Vote for One / Vote por Uno	FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT PARA JUEZ ASOCIADO DE LA CORTE SUPREMA	
PETE PETERSON Party Preference: Republican Educator / Institute Director Educador / Director de Instituto	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	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
ALEX PADILLA Party Preference: Democratic California State Senator Senador Estatal de California	EDUARDO GARCIA Party Preference: Democratic Mayor / Policy Director Alcalde / Director de Política	FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL DISTRICT 4, DIVISION 1 PARA JUEZ ASOCIADO, CORTE DE APELACIÓN DISTRITO 4, DIVISION 1	
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	ASHLEY SWEARENGIN Party Preference: Republican Mayor / CEO Alcaldesa / Funcionaria Ejecutiva Principal	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
GREG CONLON Party Preference: Republican Businessman / CPA Empresario / Contador Público Certificado	CHARLES BENNETT, JR. Party Preference: Republican Public Safety Consultant Consultor de Seguridad Pública	FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL DISTRICT 4, DIVISION 1 PARA JUEZ ASOCIADO, CORTE DE APELACIÓN DISTRITO 4, DIVISION 1	
		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

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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 FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL DISTRICT 4, DIVISION 2 PARA JUEZ ASOCIADO, CORTE DE APELACIÓN DISTRITO 4, DIVISIÓN 2	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?	YES SÍ NO NO	↓ ↓ ↓ ↓	PALO VERDE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT DISTRITO DE UNIVERSIDAD COMUNITARIA DE PALO VERDE Governing Board Member, Trustee Area 1 Miembro Junta Gobernante, Fideicomisario Área 1 Vote for no more than Three / Vote por no más de Tres SAMUEL BURTON
FOR PRESIDENTING JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL DISTRICT 4, DIVISION 3 PARA JUEZ PRESIDENTE, CORTE DE APELACIÓN DISTRITO 4, DIVISIÓN 3	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?	YES SÍ NO NO	↓ ↓ ↓ ↓	FRANCIS "TED" ARNESON Incumbent Titular BEVERLY A. MAYS Retired Social Worker Trabajadora Social Jubilada LINCOLN EDMOND Appointed Incumbent Titular Nombrado GEORGE W. THOMAS Incumbent Titular SUZANNE "SUZY" FRANCO-WOODS Financial Aid Director Directora de Ayuda Financiera
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?	YES SÍ NO NO	↓ ↓ ↓ ↓	FRANCIS "TED" ARNESON Incumbent Titular BEVERLY A. MAYS Retired Social Worker Trabajadora Social Jubilada LINCOLN EDMOND Appointed Incumbent Titular Nombrado GEORGE W. THOMAS Incumbent Titular SUZANNE "SUZY" FRANCO-WOODS Financial Aid Director Directora de Ayuda Financiera
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, 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?	YES SÍ NO NO	↓ ↓ ↓ ↓	FRANCIS "TED" ARNESON Incumbent Titular BEVERLY A. MAYS Retired Social Worker Trabajadora Social Jubilada LINCOLN EDMOND Appointed Incumbent Titular Nombrado GEORGE W. THOMAS Incumbent Titular SUZANNE "SUZY" FRANCO-WOODS Financial Aid Director Directora de Ayuda Financiera



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	↓
	SÍ	↓
	NO	↓
	NO	↓
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, 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	↓
	SÍ	↓
	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

SI

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

SI

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

SI

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

SI

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

SCHOOL / ESCOLAR

PALO VERDE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT / DISTRITO UNIVERSITARIO COMUNITARIO DE PALO VERDE

PALO VERDE COLLEGE AFFORDABLE EDUCATION/JOB TRAINING MEASURE. To upgrade classrooms, prepare students for four-year universities/high-skilled good paying jobs, improve facilities for career technical education, support veterans, nursing, agriculture programs, shall Palo Verde Community College District provide affordable local education, reduce campus construction debt to save money, repair, upgrade facilities/acquire equipment by issuing \$12,500,000 in bonds at legal rates, requiring citizens' oversight, annual audits, no funds taken by the State and all funds used locally?

MEDIDA DE EDUCACIÓN/ENTRENAMIENTO DE TRABAJO ASEQUIBLE DEL UNIVERSITARIO DE PALO VERDE. Para actualizar los salones de clase, preparar a los estudiantes para las universidades de cuatro años/buenos trabajos de habilidades avanzadas bien pagados, mejorar las instalaciones para la educación de carreras técnicas, apoyar a los veteranos, enfermería, programas de agricultura, ¿deberá Distrito Universitario Comunitario de Palo Verde proveer educación local asequible, reducir la deuda de la construcción del campus para ahorrar dinero, reparar, mejorar las instalaciones/adquirir equipo mediante la emisión de \$12,500,000 en bonos a tasas legales, requiriendo supervisión ciudadana, auditorías anuales, sin que el Estado tome ninguno de los fondos y que todos los fondos se utilicen a nivel local?

BONDS YES
BONOS Sí

BONDS NO
BONOS NO

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SAMPLE BALLOT / BOLETA EJEMPLAR

MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS / MEDIDAS SOMETIDAS A LOS VOTANTES	
CITY / CIUDAD	
CITY OF BLYTHE / CIUDAD DE BLYTHE	
W	Measure "W": Sales Tax 0.5% Increase. Shall the City of Blythe increase its sales tax by one-half of one percent (0.5%) for a period of five years? Medida "W": Incremento del 0.5% del Impuesto sobre las Ventas. ¿Deberá la Ciudad de Blythe aumentar su impuesto sobre las ventas por la mitad del uno por ciento (0.5%) por un período de cinco años?
X	Measure "X": Transient Occupancy Tax 3% Increase. Shall the City of Blythe increase its transient occupancy tax (TOT) by 3%, to bring its transient occupancy tax to a rate of 13%, for a period of five years? Medida "X": Incremento del 3% del Impuesto sobre ocupación transitoria. ¿Deberá la Ciudad de Blythe aumentar su impuesto de ocupación transitoria (TOT) en un 3% para elevar su impuesto de ocupación transitoria a una tasa del 13% por un período de cinco años?
ADVISORY VOTE ONLY / VOTO CONSULTIVO SOLAMENTE	
Y	Measure "Y": Advisory Vote Only on City Funds Use. Advisory Vote Only. Shall road improvements and maintenance, the fire department, the police department, city promotion, community center enhancements, recreation center enhancements, and code enforcement (enhancing the appearance) be given priority in receipt of additional revenue generated, if either Measure "W" (Sales Tax 0.5% Increase) or Measure "X" (Transient Occupancy Tax 3% Increase), or if both of them, is/are approved by the voters? Medida "Y": Voto consultivo Sólo sobre el Uso de los Fondos de la Ciudad. Voto consultivo solamente. ¿Se le dará prioridad a mejoras y mantenimiento de las carreteras, el departamento de bomberos, el departamento de policía, la promoción de la ciudad, las mejoras del centro de comunitario, mejoras del centro de recreo, y la aplicación del código (mejorando la apariencia) a la recepción de los ingresos adicionales generados, si ya sea la Medida "W" (incremento del Impuesto sobre las Ventas del 0.5%) o la Medida "X" (incremento del Impuesto de ocupación transitoria del 3%), o si ambas, es/son aprobadas por los votantes?
Z	Measure "Z": Authorize, Regulate and Tax Medical Cannabis Businesses. Shall Ordinance No. 866-14 that would authorize and regulate medical cannabis businesses; charge each medical cannabis business a maximum of \$10,000 per year for each business license issued; and tax each medical cannabis business at the maximum rate of fifteen cents for each \$1.00 of proceeds collected and at a maximum monthly rate of \$10 a square foot of cannabis cultivated; be adopted? Medida "Z": Autorizar regular e imponer impuestos fiscales sobre las Empresas de Cannabis Medicinal. ¿Deberá ser adoptada la Ordenanza Núm. 866-14 que autorizaría y regularía las empresas de cannabis medicinal; cobraría a cada negocio de cannabis medicinal un máximo de \$10,000 por año por cada licencia comercial expedida; e impondría un impuesto sobre cada negocio de cannabis medicinal a la tasa máxima de quince centavos por cada \$1.00 del producto recaudado y a una tasa máxima mensual de \$10 por pie cuadrado de cannabis cultivada?

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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
- ANALYSES
- ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT & IN OPPOSITION

This pamphlet section may not contain a complete list of candidates. A complete list of candidates appears on the Sample Ballot section of this pamphlet. Each candidate's statement in this pamphlet is volunteered by the candidate and is printed at the expense of the candidate unless otherwise determined by the governing body. Deposit amounts required for publication of candidate statements are listed in the candidate handbook at www.voteinfo.net.

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Campaign Finance Reform

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,
PALO VERDE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT, TRUSTEE AREA 1**

SUZANNE P. WOODS

AGE: 45

OCCUPATION: Financial Aid Director

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

With 18 years of experience and dedicated service in the California Community College system in the field of student services. I offer a proven track record of advocacy for the students and families of Palo Verde College. I am a native of Blythe. I began my education in 1986 at Palo Verde College, and served as an Admissions and Records Specialist, and most recently as the Director of Financial Aid and Scholarships at Palo Verde College.

I am well-versed in the current issues and serious challenges facing the students, parents and community members who depend upon the services of Palo Verde College. I am opposed to the "bail out bond" measure the college has placed on this November's ballot. Voters should not be required to bail out the college due to fiscal mismanagement by current Trustees, including problems resulting from the transfer of approximately \$1.8 million into the general fund from the current facilities bond, part of which was used to pay for a "golden handshake" for top administrators.

I will bring much-needed accountability, transparency and fiscal discipline to the Palo Verde Community College District Board of Trustees. I would be honored to have your support and vote.

MEASURE "P" – PALO VERDE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

FULL TEXT BALLOT PROPOSITION

PALO VERDE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOND MEASURE ELECTION NOVEMBER 4, 2014

"PALO VERDE COLLEGE AFFORDABLE EDUCATION/JOB TRAINING MEASURE. To upgrade classrooms, prepare students for four-year universities/high-skilled good paying jobs, improve facilities for career technical education, support veterans, nursing, agriculture programs, shall Palo Verde Community College District provide affordable local education, reduce campus construction debt to save money, repair, upgrade facilities/acquire equipment by issuing \$12,500,000 in bonds at legal rates, requiring citizens' oversight, annual audits, no funds taken by the State and all funds used locally?"

Bonds–Yes

Bonds–No

PROJECTS

The Board of Trustees of the Palo Verde Community College District, to be responsive to the needs of its community, evaluated Palo Verde College's urgent and critical facility needs, and its capacity to provide local students and veterans an **affordable education** and prepare them for **transfer to a four-year university** and good paying careers. **Career technical education**, job training, safety issues, enrollment, class size and class offerings, and information and computer technology infrastructure were each considered, in developing the scope of projects to be funded. In developing the scope of projects, the faculty, staff, students and community have **prioritized local job training** and job placement needs, particularly in welding, construction, automotive technology, nursing and agriculture, as well as facilities available to support an affordable education, so that the most critical needs that will make the Palo Verde College an effective place for learning, would be addressed. In implementing the projects for the Palo Verde College, the Board of Trustees determines that **Palo Verde College MUST:**

- (i) **Provide AFFORDABLE, LOW-COST, HIGH QUALITY EDUCATION needed to successfully TRANSFER TO FOUR-YEAR UNIVERSITIES, and develop job skills;**
- (ii) **Improve the local economy by providing a better educated and trained workforce;**
- (iii) **Provide essential career technical education, job training and workforce preparation for students of all ages, including among others, training in welding, construction, automotive technology, and health services; and**
- (iv) **Adhere to stringent FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY safeguards including:**
 - (a) **Require annual financial audits,**
 - (b) **Require citizens' oversight of all funds,**
 - (c) **No funds will be used for administrators' salaries and pensions,**
 - (d) **ALL FUNDS WILL BE SUBJECT TO LOCAL CONTROL AND WILL REMAIN LOCAL AT PALO VERDE COLLEGE.**

The following types of projects are authorized to be undertaken at Palo Verde College:

Academic Facility and Technology Upgrade Projects To Help Local Students and Veterans Transfer to Four-Year Universities or be Trained For Good Paying Jobs

Goal and Purpose: Ensuring local students, including veterans, are either prepared for transfer to University of California or State college systems or trained for in-demand, good paying jobs are major objectives of Palo Verde College.

Since the cost of attending a public university has risen to as much as six (6) times that of attending Palo Verde College, students rely on Palo Verde College to save as much as \$35,000 in tuition on their way to a four-year degree. Therefore, keeping Palo Verde's facilities upgraded will best serve all local students who can earn college credits, certificates and job skills at a reasonable price:

Thus the District requires FUNDS that ARE LOCALLY CONTROLLED and CANNOT BE TAKEN BY THE STATE to improve academic facilities and technology implementations which will allow them to continue providing ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE, HIGH QUALITY EDUCATION to local students, including:

- **Upgrade and expand facilities for career training in well-paying careers and transfer to universities.**
- **Improve classrooms, instructional facilities and programs in career technical education in welding, construction, automotive technology, agriculture, nursing, and other health care professions.**
- **Expand support facilities for veterans to provide career training and support services to returning veterans seeking training or retraining to reenter the workforce.**
- **Pay-down college facilities construction loan, to free up money for additional programs and courses.**
- **Install additional technology infrastructure to improve computer technology and Internet access.**
- **Improve classrooms, science, technology, and computer labs to train students for high wage jobs in the 21st Century economy.**

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FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY

This bond measure has strict accountability requirements including (a) an independent Citizens' Oversight Committee with representation from throughout our region; (b) annual financial audits to make sure money is being spent as promised; (c) no money from this measure will go towards salaries or pensions, and (D) ALL MONEY WILL STAY LOCAL AND CANNOT BE TAKEN BY THE STATE.

1. **NO ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES.** Proceeds from the sale of the bonds authorized by this proposition shall be used only for the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including faculty and college administrator salaries, pensions and other operating expenses.

2. **FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY. THE EXPENDITURE OF BOND MONEY ON THESE PROJECTS IS SUBJECT TO STRINGENT FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS. BY LAW, PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL AUDITS WILL BE PERFORMED ANNUALLY, AND ALL BOND EXPENDITURES WILL BE MONITORED BY AN INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO ENSURE THAT FUNDS ARE SPENT AS PROMISED AND SPECIFIED. THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MUST INCLUDE, AMONG OTHERS, REPRESENTATION OF A BONA FIDE TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION, A BUSINESS ORGANIZATION AND A SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION. NO DISTRICT EMPLOYEES OR VENDORS ARE ALLOWED TO SERVE ON THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.**

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The listed projects will be completed as needed. Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, program/project management, staff training expenses and a customary contingency. In addition to the listed projects stated above, authorized projects also include the acquisition of a variety of instructional, maintenance and operational equipment, including the reduction or retirement of outstanding lease obligations and interim funding incurred to advance fund projects from payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility studies, assessment reviews, facility master plan preparation and updates, environmental studies (including environmental investigation, remediation and monitoring), design and construction documentation, and temporary housing of dislocated college activities caused by construction projects. In addition to the projects listed above, repair, upgrade of facilities for energy efficiencies; installation of wiring and electrical systems to safely accommodate computers, technology and other electrical devices and needs; support facilities/programs in welding, construction, automotive technology, nursing, culinary arts and agriculture. The project list also includes the refinancing of outstanding lease obligations. The upgrading of technology infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, LCD projectors, portable interface devices, servers, switches, routers, modules, sound projection systems, information systems, printers, digital white boards, upgrade voice-over-IP, communication systems, audio/visual and telecommunications systems, call manager and network security/firewall, Internet connectivity, computers, wireless systems, technology infrastructure, and other miscellaneous equipment.

The allocation of bond proceeds will be affected by the District's receipt of State matching funds and the final costs of each project. In the absence of State matching funds, which the District will aggressively pursue to reduce the District's share of the costs of the projects, the District will not be able to complete some of the projects listed above. The budget for each project is an estimate and may be affected by factors beyond the District's control. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans and construction documents are finalized, construction bids are received, construction contracts are awarded and projects are completed. Based on the final costs of each project, certain of the projects described above may be delayed or may not be completed. Demolition of existing facilities and reconstruction of facilities scheduled for repair and upgrade may occur, if the Board determines that such an approach would be more cost-effective in creating more enhanced and operationally efficient campuses. Necessary site preparation/restoration may occur in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of way to the property. Proceeds or the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of District staff when performing work on or necessary and incidental to bond projects. Bond proceeds shall only be expended for the specific purposes identified herein. The District shall create an account into which proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited and comply with the reporting requirements of Government Code § 53410.

MEASURE "P" – PALO VERDE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

2014 BOND ELECTION

TAX RATE STATEMENT

An election will be held in the Palo Verde Community District (the "District") on November 4, 2014, to authorize the sale of up to \$12,500,000 in bonds of the District to finance projects as described in the proposition. If the bonds are approved, the District expects to issue the Bonds in one or multiple series over time. Principal and interest on the bonds will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400 through 9404 of the California Elections Code.

1. The best estimate of the tax which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the first series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$0.02500 per \$100 (\$25.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2015-16.
2. The best estimate of the tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the last series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$0.02500 per \$100 (\$25.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2015-16.
3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$0.02500 per \$100 (\$25.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation, which is projected to be the same in every fiscal year that the bonds remain outstanding.

Voters should note that estimated tax rates are based on the ASSESSED VALUE of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls, not on the property's market value, which could be more or less than the assessed value. In addition, taxpayers eligible for a property tax exemption, such as the homeowner's exemption, will be taxed at a lower effective tax rate than described above. Certain taxpayers may also be eligible to postpone payment of taxes. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills and tax advisors to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon the District's projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the District. The actual tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary from those presently estimated, due to variations from these estimates in the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on need for construction funds and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE “P”

The Board of Trustees (“Board”) of the Palo Verde Community College District (“District”) by adopting Resolution No. 14-10 D 21 (“Resolution”), elected to call an election pursuant to Section 18 of Article XVI and Section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and Section 15100 and 15624 *et seq.* of the California Education Code to obtain authorization to issue and sell general obligation Bonds (“Bonds”) in the aggregate amount principal amount of twelve million five hundred thousand dollars (\$12,500,000).

This Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of the above-identified District.

The Bonds would be used by the District to reduce campus construction debt, repair and upgrade campus facilities for career technical education, upgrade classrooms, facilities and acquire equipment, and support veterans, nursing and agricultural programs. The Bonds would not be used to fund the salaries, pensions or benefits of any board members, administrator, and/or teachers or for other school operating expenses.

If Measure “P” is approved, the Board of the District will appoint a citizens’ oversight committee and conduct annual independent audits to assure that bond funds are spent only on the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, and for no other purposes.

An ad valorem tax would be levied and collected on property within the boundaries of the District to pay the principal and interest on the Bonds.

The Resolution provides that the maximum interest rate on the Bonds will not exceed the maximum interest rate permitted by the applicable laws of the State and the maximum term of the Bonds, or any series thereof, will not exceed 40 years.

Approval of Measure “P” does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Palo Verde Community College District that are the subject of the Bonds under Measure “P” will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure “P”. The District’s proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.

For this Measure to be approved fifty-five percent (55%) of qualified voters who vote on the Measure must vote yes.

A “YES” vote on Measure “P” is a vote to allow the District to sell the Bonds and levy the necessary taxes to pay for the Bonds.

A “NO” vote on Measure “P” is a vote against allowing the District to sell the Bonds and levy the necessary taxes to pay for the Bonds.

By: Ronak N. Patel, Deputy County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE “P”

Vote Yes on Measure “P” - Support Palo Verde College.

Palo Verde College has served the Blythe and Needles communities for over 60 years and has never been more important to our area. Students have turned to Palo Verde College for a high quality, affordable education that prepares them for good paying jobs and the opportunity to transfer to 4-year colleges and universities.

Measure “P” will:

- Upgrade classrooms, technology, and labs to better support programs that help OUR local students prepare for high demand jobs and university transfer.
- Expand access to health career courses to train OUR local healthcare professionals.
- Expand veteran services to ensure OUR local returning veterans have access to the services they need to complete their education and enter the workforce.

Our community college students represent the backbone of our local workforce. Measure “P” will protect and expand needed courses and serve to maintain high quality training programs.

All Measure “P” funds are legally required to be spent to improve OUR local community college. By law, the State cannot take these funds away nor can any money be used for administrator salaries. An independent citizens oversight committee and mandatory annual audits will ensure funds are spent as voters approved.

“Palo Verde College is a critical part of our community. It trains our healthcare professionals that serve our aging population and provides affordable higher education and skilled workers that fuel our economy” (Adolfo M. Paglinawan, M.D., Blythe, California).

“I aggressively endorse the bond issue for Palo Verde College to increase programs and services in our community” (Edward T. Paget, M.D., Mayor of Needles, California).

Join your neighbors, seniors, veterans, civic and business leaders. Vote Yes on Measure “P” to ensure that our local community college facilities, technology and programs remain strong.

By: Susan L. Fisher, Fisher Ranch

John M. Ulmer, Ulmer Farms

George L. Amerman, PVUSD Educator (Retired)

Bing Lum, Colorado River Medical Center

Ellen Margot McKee, NUSD Educator (Retired)

NO ARGUMENT FILED AGAINST MEASURE “P”

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE “W”

As declared and reaffirmed by the Blythe City Council, the City continues to face a state of fiscal emergency due to the severe impact of the economic collapse caused by the Great Recession of recent years, as well as the collapse of the housing market, continuing California state takeaways, and insufficient tax revenues to cover government expenses. In response to this fiscal emergency, the City Council is asking the City's voters to vote on Measure “W.”

If approved by the voters, Measure “W” would increase the City's sales tax, currently set at 8%, by ½ of 1% for a period of five years. At this new rate, a transaction amounting to \$100 would generate an additional \$.50 cents in City revenue in addition to the \$8 currently collected. Like the 8% sales tax currently being collected, the proposed increase would be imposed upon the sale of tangible personal property sold at retail within the City.

All proceeds of the tax will be deposited into the City's General Fund to be used for all general municipal governmental purposes at the City's discretion, such as for public safety services, street and sidewalk repairs, upkeep and development of the City's parks, water delivery and treatment, and other local governmental functions.

This measure provides that the ½ of 1% sales tax increase would expire in five years.

Measure “W” was placed on the Ballot by the Blythe City Council. It will be adopted if it is approved by a majority of the voters voting on the measure.

By: Christian Bettenhausen,
City Attorney

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure “W”. If you desire a copy of the measure, please call the Blythe City Clerk's office at (760) 922-6161 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE “W”

Arguments in favor of Measure “W” include:

- The Blythe City Council unanimously approved the placement of the sales tax increase on the ballot;
- The City needs revenue to deliver the needed services and infrastructure the resident's demand, like roads, police protection, fire protection, recreation center activities, senior center activities, promoting our City, and cleaning our City;
- This increase will sunset (go away) in five years;
- The Blythe Volunteer Fire Chief, Billy Kem said, “the citizens of Blythe will benefit from the quality of life improvements that will come from the additional resources”;
- The City of Blythe has reduced its workforce by 48% and operating supplies by 16% since 2008;
- City officials argue this revenue is vital to providing the necessary City services;
- If measure “W” does not pass, the continued likelihood of additional cuts is inevitable;
- Two of the biggest problems that face the City of Blythe are the lack of funding to address their negative fund balance or negative cash and the road improvement funding, the proponents argue.

The sales tax would increase from 8.0% to 8.5%; this .5% increase would be approximately \$600,000 of revenue to address the above needs. This would be paid by, not only Blythe residents, but also those who pass through our City. For every \$1 spent, it would be \$.05 or, on average, \$22 per year/per resident.

Below are the supporters who signed the official voter pamphlet in favor of Measure “W”:

By: Bill Kem, Fire Chief of Blythe Volunteer Fire Department
Doris Morgan, Senior Advocate
Angie Patel, Past President of the Blythe Chamber of Commerce
Sam Patel, Business Owner
Gloria Saldana, Business Owner

NO ARGUMENT FILED AGAINST MEASURE “W”

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE "X"

As declared and reaffirmed by the Blythe City Council, the City continues to face a state of fiscal emergency due to the severe impact of the economic collapse caused by the Great Recession of recent years, as well as the collapse of the housing market, continuing California state takeaways, and insufficient tax revenues to cover government expenses. In response to this fiscal emergency, the City Council is asking the City's voters to vote on Measure "X."

If approved by the voters, Measure "X" would increase the existing Transient Occupancy Tax rate by 3% (from 10% to 13%). Individuals, usually visitors to the City, pay this tax when they stay at any lodging facility within the City such as a hotel or motel. The tax only applies if the individual stays at the lodging facility for less than 30 consecutive days. The tax helps place the financial burden of providing additional local support services, like public safety, street maintenance, and upkeep of the City's parks, on the visitors who contribute to this increased financial burden on the City.

The tax payments are collected from the visitors by the property "operators" who then remit the amounts to the City.

All proceeds of the tax will be deposited into the City's General Fund to be used for all general municipal governmental purposes at the City's discretion.

This measure provides that the 3% Transient Occupancy Tax increase would expire in five years.

Measure "X" was placed on the Ballot by the Blythe City Council. It will be adopted if it is approved by a majority of the voters voting on the measure.

By: Christian Bettenhausen
City Attorney, Blythe CA

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE "X"

Arguments in favor of Measure "X" include:

- This tax will not affect the residents of Blythe, because it will be paid only by visitors staying in our hotels/motels;
- This increase will sunset (go away) in five years;
- The current rate at 10% is lower than most of the Coachella Valley hotels/motels; they range from 9-13.5%;
- The money from Measure "X" will remain in Blythe, the County and State will not get any of this increase;
- The City of Blythe has reduced its workforce by 48% and operating supplies by 16% since 2008;
- Combined with fiscal restraint these augmented funds will improve our financial situation to allow the City to focus on needed services, infrastructure, and programs;

Mayor Mike Evans said, "this is not a tax that residents of Blythe will pay unless, you stay in a hotel/motel in town. In fact, when residents stay somewhere else, their tax dollars are improving another community; let's do the same here"

The Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) would increase from 10% to 13%. The 3% increase would generate approximately \$300,000 in new revenue to address our roads, police protection, fire protection, recreation center activities, senior center activities, promoting our City, and cleaning our City. Almost exclusively non-Blythe residents would pay this tax. For every \$100 room rate, it would add \$3 to the bill.

Below is the list of supporters who signed the official voter pamphlet in favor of Measure "X":

By: Bill Kem, Fire Chief of Blythe Volunteer Fire Department
Doris Morgan, Senior Advocate
Angie Patel, Past President of the Blythe Chamber of Commerce
Sam Patel, Business Owner
Gloria Saldana, Business Owner

NO ARGUMENT FILED AGAINST MEASURE "X"

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE "Y"

Measure "Y" is an advisory measure concerning the expenditure of the potential revenue generated by Measure "W" and Measure "X" in the event that either or both measures are approved by a majority vote. Measure "Y" was placed on the Ballot by the Blythe City Council.

Measure "Y" does not increase taxes.

Rather, Measure "Y" asks Blythe voters whether they believe funding of certain City services should be given priority in receipt of the additional revenue generated from the tax increases proposed by Measures "W" and/or "X". Specifically, voters are asked whether road improvements, road maintenance, the fire department, the police department, city promotion, community center enhancements, recreation center enhancements and code enforcement should receive priority in receipt of additional revenue generated by Measures "W" and/or "X", should either or both measures pass.

If a majority of the voters approve Measure "Y," it will be an indication to the City Council of how voters believe the proposed increase in City revenues should be spent.

Although the City Council is not obligated to spend the proposed increase in revenues generated by Measures "W" and/or "X" according to the advisory vote, the City Council may choose to do so as an expression of the will of the voters.

By: Christian Bettenhausen
City Attorney, Blythe CA

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE "Y"

Arguments in favor of Measure "Y" include:

- To create public oversight on how Measure "W" & "X" are spent;
- Namely, it asks if the voters want the funds to be spent on roads, police protection, fire protection, recreation center activities, senior center activities, promoting our City, and cleaning our City;
- A Citizens Oversight committee will review all budgets and expenses to ensure that the revenue from Measure "W" & "X" are used as promised;
- Measures "W" & "X" is about Blythe taking care of itself, because no one else is going to do it;
- Measure "Y" will further build trust and transparency with the residents;

Below is the list of supporters who signed the official voter pamphlet in favor of Measure "Y"

By: Bill Kem, Fire Chief of Blythe Volunteer Fire Department
Richard Crabb, Vice President of Blythe Police Officers Association
Angie Patel, Past President of the Blythe Chamber of Commerce
Sam Patel, Business Owner
Gloria Saldana, Business Owner

NO ARGUMENT FILED AGAINST MEASURE "Y"

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE “Z”

Measure “Z” would enact an ordinance to authorize, regulate and tax medical cannabis businesses within the City by amending Chapter 5.22 of Title 5 of the Blythe Municipal Code.

These amendments would replace current law, under which both the operation of medical cannabis dispensaries, as well as the cultivation of medical cannabis, are prohibited and unregulated within the City.

No more than three medical cannabis businesses would be permitted within the City, subject to change by the City Council.

Each medical cannabis business would be required to obtain a permit from the City to operate. A separate permit may be required for cultivation. Permits are revocable for failure to follow regulations. These regulations include: security cameras and security guard, written records on operations and employees; allow City inspections of premises, security camera recordings, and written records; generally not employ anyone convicted of a felony within last ten years; no doctor recommendations on site; generally no minors on site; labeling and packaging regulations; no detectable off-site odors from the operation; use of medical cannabis on-site prohibited; operate on a non-profit basis; insurance; must discourage and correct nuisance conditions; regulations on edibles, operating hours are to be set by the City; and medical cannabis businesses must indemnify and defend the City from all liability related to their operations.

Medical cannabis businesses are subject to three taxes. These are not sales taxes. The taxes are not imposed on the person or patient who acquires medical cannabis. These are general taxes available to fund general municipal services, such as public safety, street and sidewalk repairs, upkeep and development of the City's parks, water delivery and treatment, and other local governmental functions.

Each operation shall pay to the City a maximum cannabis tax of 15 cents for each \$1.00 of proceeds, the rate to be set by resolution of the City Council. Each operation shall pay to the City a maximum monthly fee of \$10.00 per square foot under active medical cannabis cultivation, the rate to be set by resolution of the City Council. An annual medical cannabis business license fee set by resolution of the City Council, but not to exceed \$10,000, shall be required.

The new law is subject to amendment by the City Council, without requiring a further vote of the people, to further its purposes. Amendments may include maximum number of dispensaries allowed, process and procedure for securing permits, land use and zoning, and any issue related in whole or in part to maintaining the public health, safety or welfare.

The new law shall be read consistent with any statewide regulation of medical cannabis or recreational cannabis that is promulgated by the California legislature or by voter approval in the future, to the fullest extent possible consistent with such statewide regulation, including but not limited to the taxation of cannabis.

Measure “Z” was placed on the Ballot by the Blythe City Council. It will be adopted if it is approved by a majority of the voters voting on the measure.

By: Christian Bettenhausen
City Attorney

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure “Z”. If you desire a copy of the measure, please call the Blythe City Clerk’s office at (760) 922-6161 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE “Z”

Almost 20 years ago, an enlightened California electorate approved medical marijuana use for patients that preferred a less toxic, more natural alternative to prescription medication. The basis of the law was compassion for those suffering from medical illness that found relief in marijuana's therapeutic properties. Prior to the measure's passing, those who treated their illness with marijuana were stigmatized as criminals in need of punishment rather than patients suffering from medical conditions. Today, the imputation of wrongdoing towards those who treat their illness with marijuana by those with uneducated, biased and politically-motivated viewpoints, has made it a challenge for patients to obtain medication. For many in Blythe, its a considerable hardship to travel 100 miles to Palm Springs where the closest dispensary is located, The alternative is to buy on the black market, which usually means a “dealer” in one of our residential neighborhoods; oftentimes a dangerous proposition, especially for the elderly. The best solution for all is a well regulated commercial establishment where patients can purchase their medicine in a safe, secure environment. While the naysayers will argue that a dispensary in Blythe will attract crime and get into the hands of children, research has proven these scare tactics to be untrue. A study in Los Angeles County showed that the appearance of a dispensary in town was more often associated with a reduction in crime; and sales are limited to those 21 and older. The argument that it will be a target for robbery is equally dismissed. Banks, liquor stores and gas stations are all targets of robberies — but we don't ban them from our community. In addition, tax revenue generated by a local dispensary will benefit local law enforcement. It's time we stood up for those less fortunate than ourselves; please, vote yes on Measure “Z”.

By: Dan Figueroa, Former Commissioner, Board of Paroles
Mike Evans, City of Blythe Mayor
Larry Kelley, Com. VFW
David Brooks, MD
Stephen Hohn Sr, Business Owner

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE “Z”

The arguments against Measure “Z” are **many, documented, and important concerns for the citizens of Blythe**. The reasons for Measure “Z” focus on one important concern. Because of the **many** potential problems with having a marijuana medical dispensary in Blythe, vote NO against Measure “Z”.

The California Shouse Law Group provides legal help to people who wish to operate medical marijuana dispensaries. Though the legal firm can assist the implementation of Measure “Z”, their information actually shows **major difficulties with marijuana medical dispensaries**. These include vague wording in Proposition 215 and Senate bill 420.

Under Proposition 215 passed in 1996 medical uses for marijuana include seven illnesses and “any other illness for which marijuana provides relief.” This last category is a **huge area for potential abuse**.

Under California Senate Bill 420 identification cards allow protected individuals to cultivate, possess, and transport specific amounts of marijuana, “unless a local ordinance **or** one's doctor authorizes more.” This is a gigantic potential **loophole for disaster**.

In November 2013 the American Medical Association officially stated that cannabis is a dangerous drug and is a public health concern.

In March 2011 the American Society of Addiction Medicine rejected use of medical marijuana. The president stated that the Society does not regard marijuana as a medication, because it has not gone through an official Food and Drug Administration approval process.

In Colorado under legalized medical marijuana usage from 2006 to 2011, fatalities involving drivers testing positive for marijuana increased 114 percent.

VOTE NO ON Measure “Z”.

By: Oscar G. Galvan
Adolfo Paglinawan
Doris Morgan
Bart Fisher
Joseph DeConinck

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE “Z”

Proponents of this measure would have you believe that they support it for humanitarian reasons to ease pain and suffering. But those who truly need this drug for medical reasons already have options for obtaining whatever they need to ease their suffering. District Attorneys throughout California know that fake medical cards are easy to obtain and that recreational drug users will be purchasing this federally illegal drug from Blythe's dispensaries. Statistically, there are fewer than 200 medicinal marijuana cardholders, both legitimate and fake, in Blythe. **Only 5% of the legitimate cardholders have a debilitating illness.** Why, then, the big push to do this? It is disturbing that marijuana purchased from dispensaries in other cities continues to show up at Palo Verde High School in the hands of children. Marijuana is a “gateway” drug, leading to the use of harder drugs. It is addicting, especially among children. The law enforcement community opposes dispensaries as they breed crime. **Although legal in Colorado, a majority of communities have enacted bans or moratoriums on commercial marijuana businesses.** In Denver, one-third of all crimes are committed within 1,000 feet of dispensaries. A dispensary in Cathedral City was robbed, at gunpoint, with thieves making off with \$70,000 worth of marijuana that police indicated would be sold illegally on the street. **The American Medical Association considers marijuana “a dangerous drug that should not be legalized for either recreational or medical use”. The American Society of Addiction Medicine considers marijuana a “psychoactive drug that triggers addiction and lifelong chronic brain disease”.** Don't let Blythe become known as a desperate city that approved dispensaries as a last ditch effort to make money. Money alone can never compensate for the increased crime and dangers to Blythe. Contact the Riverside County District Attorney for more information. Preserve Blythe's integrity; vote NO.

By: Oscar G. Galvan
Bart Fisher
Doris Morgan Hayes
Adolfo Paglinawan
Joseph DeConinck

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE “Z”

There has never been a survey taken to tally Blythe medical marijuana patients; the figure of 200 quoted by opponents of a dispensary is a fabrication. Likewise, the claim that only 5% of patients have a debilitating illness is questionable in that doctor/patient files are strictly confidential and opponents have no access to them. It is not a gateway drug; studies have shown that when a patient is given access to a dispensary, they are not exposed to other drugs pushed by black market dealers and less likely to use them. California Student Survey states marijuana use by teens dropped dramatically after voters legalized medical marijuana. Denver's crime statistics show that legalizing medical marijuana caused no increase in crime. The California Police Chief's Association is supporting regulation of medical marijuana dispensaries. In 2009, the American Medical Association asked the federal government to reconsider marijuana's classification as a Schedule I drug, recognizing its medicinal value. A national survey of physicians conducted found that 73% supported use of marijuana to treat nausea, pain and other symptoms... 56% would recommend marijuana to patients if permitted by state law. DEA chief administrative law judge Francis Young, ruled: “Marijuana, in its natural form, is one of the safest therapeutically active substances known to man. By any measure of rational analysis marijuana can be safely used within the supervised routine of medical care ... It would be unreasonable, arbitrary, and capricious for DEA to continue to stand between those sufferers and the benefits of this substance.”

By: Mike Evans, City of Blythe Mayor
Larry Kelley, Com. VFW Post 2987
Dan L. Figueroa, Former Commissioner, Board of Paroles
David Brooks, MD Director - Palo Verde Healthcare District
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