



Western Riverside Council of Governments Technical Advisory Committee AGENDA

**Thursday, February 16, 2017
9:30 a.m.**

**County of Riverside
Administrative Center
4080 Lemon Street
5th Floor, Conference Room C
Riverside, CA 92501**

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The Technical Advisory Committee may take any action on any item listed on the agenda, regardless of the Requested Action.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER (Gary Nordquist, Chairman)**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

At this time members of the public can address the Technical Advisory Committee regarding any items with the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee that are not separately listed on this agenda. Members of the public will have an opportunity to speak on agenda items at the time the item is called for discussion. No action may be taken on items not listed on the agenda unless authorized by law. Whenever possible, lengthy testimony should be presented to the Committee in writing and only pertinent points presented orally.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

All items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and may be enacted by one motion. Prior to the motion to consider any action by the Committee, any public comments on any of the Consent Items will be heard. There will be no separate action unless members of the Committee request specific items be removed from the Consent Calendar.

- A. Summary Minutes from the January 19, 2017, Technical Advisory Committee meeting are available for consideration. P. 1
- Requested Action:** 1. Approve Summary Minutes from the January 19, 2017, Technical Advisory Committee meeting.
- B. Finance Department Activities Update Ernie Reyna P. 11
- Requested Action:** 1. Receive and file.
- C. Financial Report Summary through December 2016 Ernie Reyna P. 13
- Requested Action:** 1. Receive and file.
- D. Regional Streetlight Program Activities Update Tyler Masters P. 19
- Requested Action:** 1. Receive and file.
- E. Western Riverside Energy Leader Partnership Update Tyler Masters P. 23
- Requested Action:** 1. Receive and file.
- F. Environmental Department Activities Update Dolores Sanchez Badillo P. 27
- Requested Action:** 1. Receive and file.
- G. Clean Cities Coalition Activities Update Christopher Gray P. 31
- Requested Action:** 1. Receive and file.
- H. PACE Program Activities Update Barbara Spoonhour P. 39
- Requested Action:** 1. Receive and file.
- I. 2017/2018 Legislative Platform Jennifer Ward P. 41
- Requested Action:** 1. Review the draft 2017/2018 Legislative Platform and provide feedback to staff by Thursday, February 23, 2017.
- J. BEYOND Framework Fund Program Activities Update Andrea Howard P. 51
- Requested Action:** 1. Receive and file.

6. REPORTS/DISCUSSION

- A. Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee (TUMF) Program Activities Update Christopher Gray, WRCOG P. 61
- Requested Action:** 1. Approve the Administration & Finance Committee recommendation to the Executive Committee to defer taking action on any potential changes to the TUMF Program until after adoption of the 2017 Nexus Study.

- B. **Community Choice Aggregation Program Activities Update** *Barbara Spoonhour, WRCOG* P. 69

Requested Action: 1. *Receive and file.*

- C. **Regional Homelessness Dialogue** *Jennifer Ward, WRCOG* P. 73

Requested Action: 1. *Discuss and provide direction.*

- D. **Report from the League of California Cities** *Erin Sasse, League of CA Cities* P. 99

Requested Action: 1. *Receive and file.*

7. **REPORT FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** *Rick Bishop*

8. **ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS** **Members**

Members are invited to suggest additional items to be brought forward for discussion at future Technical Advisory Committee meetings.

9. **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS** **Members**

Members are invited to announce items/activities which may be of general interest to the Technical Advisory Committee.

10. **NEXT MEETING:** **The next Technical Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 16, 2017, at 9:30 a.m., in the County of Riverside Administrative Center, 5th Floor, Conference Room C.**

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the WRCOG Technical Advisory Committee was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by 2nd Vice-Chairman Brian Nestande at the County of Riverside Administrative Center, 5th Floor, Conference Room C.

2. ROLL CALL

Members present:

Joe Indrawan, City of Eastvale (9:35 a.m. arrival)
Alex Meyerhoff, City of Hemet
Gary Thompson, City of Jurupa Valley
Grant Yates, City of Lake Elsinore
Rick Dudley, City of Murrieta
Andy Okoro, City of Norco (11:12 a.m. departure)
John Russo, City of Riverside (9:35 a.m. arrival; 11:08 a.m. departure)
Kevin Hawkins, City of Temecula
Brian Nestande, County of Riverside (10:40 a.m. departure)
Paul Jones, Eastern Municipal Water District
John Rossi, Western Municipal Water District
Roger Meyer, Morongo Band of Mission Indians (9:40 a.m. arrival)

Staff present:

Steve DeBaun, Legal Counsel
Rick Bishop, Executive Director
Ernie Reyna, Chief Financial Officer
Barbara Spoonhour, Director of Energy and Environmental Programs
Jennifer Ward, Director of Government Relations
Christopher Gray, Director of Transportation
Tyler Masters, Program Manager
Dolores Sanchez Badillo, Staff Analyst
Amber Bolden, Intern
Janis Leonard, Executive Assistant

Guests present:

Raul Arevalo, City of Corona
Jeff Potts, City of Corona
Brian Ambrose, City of Murrieta
Aflab Hussain, City of Beaumont
Amer Jakher, City of Beaumont
Mark Steuer, City of Riverside
Mike Roberts, City of Riverside
Michelle Davison, City of Riverside
Alex Nguyen, City of Riverside
Emilio Ramirez, City of Riverside
Moises Lopez, City of Riverside
Michael Lloyd, City of Moreno Valley
AJ Wilson, International City / County Management Association
Araceli Ruiz, County of Riverside
Stuart McKibben, Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Alex Meyerhoff, City of Hemet, led the members and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

Chairman Nestande welcomed the new Morongo Band of Mission Indians representative, Roger Meyer.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR *(Meyerhoff/Yates) 12 yes; 0 no; 0 abstention. Items 5.A – 5.P were approved by a unanimous vote of those members present. The Cities of Banning, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Corona, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Perris, San Jacinto, and Wildomar, and the March Joint Powers Authority were not present. Item Number 5.J was pulled for discussion. The City of Murrieta abstained from Item Number 5.A only.*

A. Summary Minutes from the October 20, 2016, Technical Advisory Committee meeting.

Action: 1. *Approved Summary Minutes from the October 20, 2016, Technical Advisory Committee meeting.*

B. WRCOG Finance Department Activities Update

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

C. WRCOG Financial Report Summary through November 2016

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

D. Regional Streetlight Program Activities Update

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

E. Western Riverside Energy Leader Partnership Update

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

F. Environmental Department Activities Update

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

G. Clean Cities Coalition Activities Update

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

H. Analysis of Fees and Their Potential Impact on Economic Development in Western Riverside County

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

I. International City / County Management Association Activities Update

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

J. Distribution of Round II BEYOND Allocations to Member Jurisdictions

This item was pulled for discussion by Grant Yates, who indicated that this year there is extra funding available under this item. The City of Temecula has created a Cancer Task Force. With regard to health care in this subregion, this is a specialty in which there are not many services. Many cities and the County are committing their BEYOND funding for a regional project. The Cities of Temecula and Murrieta have done a lot in this field over the past few years, working with the private sector and hospitals to bring in different programs and facilities, which is another economic development effort.

Kevin Hawkins indicated that the Cancer Task Force is a regional project. The Task Force is seeking partners for participation and is working towards a needs assessment. A Task Force meeting is scheduled for later this afternoon.

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

(Meyerhoff/Yates) 12 yes; 0 no; 0 abstention. Item 5.J was approved by a unanimous vote of those members present. The Cities of Banning, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Corona, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Perris, San Jacinto, and Wildomar, and the March Joint Powers Authority were not present.

K. Single Signature Authority Report

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

L. 2nd Quarter Draft Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 2016/2017

Action: 1. *Recommended that the Executive Committee approve the 2nd Quarter Draft Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 2016/2017.*

M. Technical Advisory Committee 2017 Meeting Schedule

Action: 1. *Approved the Schedule of Technical Advisory Committee meetings for 2017.*

N. PACE Program Activities Update

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

O. Regional Homelessness Dialogue

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

P. Report from the League of California Cities

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

6. REPORTS/DISCUSSION

A. California Mandatory Conservation Framework Discussion and California WaterFix Update

Paul Jones reported that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) will be meeting in February to discuss whether or not the state is still in a drought, as well as the continuation of emergency regulations on water supply. Another effort in parallel to the drought activities are based on an Executive Order issued last May by Governor Jerry Brown to prepare a mandatory water conservation framework for various areas throughout the state.

Half of southern California's water is imported, so issues within the State Water Project and Bay Delta Estuary have a great bearing on southern California and what can be done with regard to water supply. The U.S. drought monitor is a consortium of the USDA, NOAA, and a University based in the central part of the Country, and monitors the severity of the drought throughout the country.

As of 2017, the U.S. drought monitor indicated that just over half the state was in an exceptional drought; the entire state was in some degree of drought. However, the northern part of the state experienced above normal amounts of rainfall. This rainfall created increases in reservoir storage levels in the north, and also caused a small amount of relief on the State Water Project with regard to water allocation. Areas within the southern portion of the state are still experiencing some levels of drought. The drought monitor is not just a measure of water supply; it monitors weather, stream flow, snow pack, soil moisture, etc. The water supply in general is much better than indicated on the map.

The State Water Project (SWP) system is fed from the northern Sierra mountain range and the supplies which feed into the SWP and California Aqueduct. The Colorado River System includes the Colorado River Watershed and the Colorado River Aqueduct, which provides a substantial portion of imported water to this region. One of the chief importers of water into southern California is the City of Los Angeles, which has an aqueduct from Owens Valley that is an independent source of supply from the SWP and the Colorado River Aqueduct. Because of the huge amounts of flow anticipated into this aqueduct, the Metropolitan Water District (MWD) will be able to bank water and replenish its groundwater storage.

Lake Oroville is at 80% of capacity. In one day, 180,000 acre feet flowed into Lake Oroville, which is southern California's combined demand flow for the year. Diamond Valley Lake, filled by MWD, is at 71% of capacity. Key reservoirs are at or above historic levels, although the Colorado River system is just a little behind. It was anticipated that those contractors who previously took water from that system would experience a shortage; however, that is no longer anticipated. From an imported water standpoint, things are looking much better for southern California.

Locally, Diamond Valley Lake has approximately 260,000 acre feet more in storage this year than last year. MWD's overall storage is in a substantial rebound. MWD has water storage not only in Diamond Valley Lake, but also in the Central Valley, as well as groundwater storage accounts and water in lakes Mead and Matthews. Because MWD has made such great investments in storage, droughts can be weathered.

In May 2015, the State declared a water emergency and mandates were put in place. The State Board had a hearing yesterday because drought emergency regulations are set to expire at the end of February. It looks like the State Board will continue with the emergency declaration.

The long-term water conservation framework was created in response to the Governor's Executive Order, making conservation a California way of life. The framework has four elements: 1) use water more wisely; 2) eliminate water waste; 3) strengthen local drought resilience; and 4) improve agricultural water use efficiency and drought planning. A draft framework report was released November 2016. The Department of Water Resources and the SWCB prepared the framework. The final report will be submitted to the Governor by January 20, 2017, and will include recommendations for not only the framework, but will also include statutory recommendations and potential legislation that would be required to implement the framework.

The framework will create water efficiency targets for communities and agencies, based on standards established for indoor residential use, outdoor irrigation - incorporating landscaping and climate, and water loss. These items will be used to determine budget targets. The water districts believe that the proposed framework is a good deal. For commercial / industrial, it will

be more about a best management and best practices approach. A target, however, cannot be set for efficient use for industry.

Urban Water Management Plans will have to be beefed up a little. Each agency will be required to do a mandatory Water Shortage Contingency Plan. Many agencies in southern California already have a Water Shortage Contingency Plan in place.

The framework report will be finalized in February. The State Board will discuss a rule making process to look at reporting and use restrictions. Permanent restrictions such as hosing down driveways will be enacted. Legislation will include the Urban Water Management Plans, Water Shortage Contingency Plans, and water use efficiency target methods. The state will perform aerial imagery of all the major urbanized areas. This data already exists for this region.

A pilot study will review the water use efficiency targets in 2018, followed by a progress report in 2019, and a finalized compliance framework by 2025.

John Rossi reported that in 1981 voters in northern California voted against a peripheral canal to deliver water to southern California, so only half of the system was built. The idea is to move water when it is available and put it in reserve reservoirs.

Of the water that flows into the Bay Delta, half of it flows into the ocean. Only 4% flows into the MWD service area (southern California). The risk in the Delta is when a major earthquake hits, water will surge into the Delta from the ocean, increasing the salinity, making the water unusable. If the system is not fixed, it will affect fisheries, the pumps, and risks will increase.

The California WaterFix consists of two parts; one is the water supply side, and the other is to environmental fix and/or do what we can for the environment in restoring habitat. The cost of this project is approximately \$15 billion, and will benefit at least three quarters of the state. The project would be paid for by bonds and water revenues. It would average to approximately \$5 per month, per home, for a 20- or 30-year period.

At the bottom of the Delta, there are two strong separate pump systems, capable of changing the direction of rivers and move water at the rate of 9,000 cubic feet per second. The tunnel is just one of many alternative studies done, and the one that has survived the Environmental Impact Reports. Final determination is made by the State Department of Water Resources, who manages and operates the State Water Project. A Notice of Determination was issued on December 23, 2016.

Next steps include making everyone aware of the California WaterFix project, and obtaining letters of support and resolutions supporting this alternative California WaterFix project. MWD has taken the lead in working with Legislators throughout the state.

Rick Bishop indicated that the Executive Committee took action and adopted a resolution in support of the Bay Delta Water Conservation Plan a few years ago. How is the California WaterFix different than the Bay Delta Plan?

Mr. Jones responded that this project has different facilities; the twin tunnels are different than what was previously looked at. This project also has co-equal goals to pair it with the environmental restoration component. Bay Delta Water Conservation Plan was more of a programmatic approach to getting to a solution for the physical conveyance of water.

Legislators in northern California will inevitably introduce bills to try and stop this project, and other initiatives may be initiated.

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

B. Santa Ana Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit Compliance Program Update

Stuart McKibbin reported that Riverside County reports to three different water boards. The purpose of the MS4 Permit is to eliminate non-stormwater discharges and reduce pollutants to the maximum extent practicable.

Various programs within the Permit, such as education and outreach, are successfully being implemented by cities. Examples of waterbody-specific programs within the Permit include the Lake Elsinore / Canyon Lake Excessive Nutrients Program and the Santa Ana River Excessive Bacterial Indicators Monitoring Program. Canyon Lake receives two alum treatments per year, which has been a great success.

Current Total Maximum Daily Loads are based upon lakes from back east. The lakes in this sub-region are unique, and the idea is to rewrite the Permit conditions to better reflect how Lake Elsinore actually is.

Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties have entered into an agreement to share the costs of monitoring bacteria in several different locations along the Santa Ana River.

The Santa Ana Permit expired in January 2015. Riverside County Flood Control petitioned the state with regard to the Santa Margarita Permit, which is set to expire in June 2018; however, there has yet to be any response. Work is in the beginning stages for the Whitewater River Permit, which also expires in June 2018.

The Santa Ana Permit is on hold awaiting the fallout from the unfunded mandates case in Los Angeles County. The California Supreme Court ruled that certain contested provisions in the 2001 LA MS4 Permit were not mandated by federal law or regulation and EPA's regulatory system did not require the state to impose the permit conditions. Until the Governor's office and the State Water Resources Control Board make a decision, the Permit is on hold.

A Water Quality Improvement Plan is being conducted in the Santa Margarita River watershed. This Plan offers the Permittees an opportunity to create a program that would allow new development to offset its impacts with regional mitigation rather than the usual on-site mitigation.. WRCOG is involved in a study to determine if a regional mitigation program is viable and how it might be structured.

Christopher Gray indicated that a working group convenes monthly to discuss regional mitigation; a status presentation is forthcoming. WRCOG will continue working on this through 2017.

Mr. McKibbin added that WRCOG is helping to determine if this will be feasible long-term and could be used in other watersheds, like the Santa Ana River watershed.

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

C. Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee (TUMF) Program Activities Update

Christopher Gray reported that the TUMF Program is a supplemental revenue source for transportation improvements and ensures that new development pays for its impact on traffic.

Western Riverside County is projected to experience significant growth over the next 25 years to the tune of approximately 650,000 people, 250,000 households, and 400,000 jobs.

TUMF has not been raised nor adjusted in nine years, while the cost of infrastructure has continued to increase, thereby creating a bigger and bigger gap in fees and costs. The TUMF Nexus Study sets the maximum allowable fee that can be charged by any land use type, and

includes a list of projects which can be funded by TUMF. The last Nexus Study update occurred in 2009.

Staff and the TUMF consultant have been working on a Nexus Study update for nearly 18 months. Updated growth forecasts have been included, and a comprehensive review of eligible facilities was performed. A traffic fee study concluded that there is a new trend in using Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) as a fee component. The impact is no longer based strictly by the number of trips. Average trip length in Riverside County is approximately 20 miles; yet the average person does not drive 20 miles to go to the grocery store or gas station. The methodology previously used – trips by land use – tended to put a lot of the fee increases on non-residential uses.

Staff spent a lot of time trying to determine what the impact of a fee increase would be to the private sector, and how any fee increase can be phased-in in order to decrease impacts on new development. There are at least 15 projects in jeopardy of not being funded if a new Nexus Study is not approved. Jurisdictions have already requested funding for next year on six of these projects.

A comprehensive review of projects included in the Nexus Study was performed. As a result, many were removed because of various reasons (e.g., completed, no longer meet criteria, etc.). The TUMF Network cost was reduced by approximately \$300 million.

A comprehensive fee study within, and areas adjacent to, the subregion was conducted. TUMF is a small percentage of fees in development costs for every land use except for retail. Retailers pay a very large share of their costs in TUMF and overall fees, and these fees in the WRCOG subregion are much higher than those in San Bernardino County.

TUMF is between 1% and 4% of total project costs. For a typical single-family project, all the fees average approximately \$45,000, and TUMF is approximately one quarter of all those fees. There is a delta in costs in the WRCOG and San Bernardino subregions. Within the Program overall, retail fees represent no more than 5% of the collected TUMF in a typical year. Any change to the retail fee will create fairly modest Program implications.

Many have indicated that if the retail fee increases, development will stop. Based on the fee study, there are many other factors which affect development – land, labor, materials, interest rates, CEQA, etc.

Any adjustment to the retail fee will continue to be discussed with the TUMF Ad Hoc Committee, whether the fee is phased-in, frozen, or a combination thereof. Because it is currently so disproportionate, some type of adjustment is necessary.

After an updated Nexus Study is adopted, staff will engage in a visioning process to review all aspects of the TUMF Program. Workshops will be held with member jurisdictions, and will include consultants outside of the transportation field. Any feedback can be included in the next iteration of the Nexus Study; some changes may possibly be made administratively.

The Ad Hoc Committee is expected to make a formal recommendation in January 2017. A draft Nexus Study will be released in February for review and comment. Staff will gather and respond to any comments in March, and the Executive Committee is anticipated to take formal action in April. Any change in fee will go into effect in July / August, depending on the timing of approval of ordinances and resolutions.

Committee member John Russo indicated that his staff will want a freeze on retail. If the Nexus Study is approved, at what juncture does the decision get made about the relative merits of which fee is being raised? The Building Industry Association (BIA) is already lobbying this matter. Approving the Nexus Study is one thing; how does implementation occur?

Mr. Gray responded that the Executive Committee 1) approves the Nexus Study; and 2) sets the fee. It is desirable to do this concurrently.

Rick Bishop added that this Committee will hear updates on this over the course of the next few months, making a formal recommendation to the Executive Committee in March. It is anticipated that the Executive Committee will make a formal action in April. Concerns about the retail fee are shared across the board.

Committee member Russo indicated that the margins for retail are paper thin, and retail is already under a lot of systemic pressure due to the growth of internet sales. Given that retail is not that important to the Program, that fee should be frozen. The relative impact to the cities competing with other cities in adjacent counties is so much greater than the impact to the TUMF Program.

Mr. Gray responded that the advantage to a freeze is that it creates certainty for the cities and provides administrative advantage to the Program.

Chairman Nestande asked what the cost difference is in the other fees.

Mr. Gray responded that it is approximately \$1 million on a yearly basis. We cannot adjust one fee because we are freezing another.

Committee member Grant Yates asked how the annual Construction Cost Index (CCI) or annual Consumer Price Index (CPI) will affect this.

Mr. Gray responded that last summer, the Executive Committee voted against any automatic CCI increase, and is open to an annual review.

Mark Steuer asked if there will be any effort to discuss with the BIA and receive its feedback.

Mr. Gray responded that staff meets with BIA staff regularly. The BIA has expressed that its Board took action to not accept any fee increase. WRCOG staff will be meeting with them to discuss actions being taken by the WRCOG Committee structure, and why.

Mr. Bishop added that the BIA has been part of the process all along and are active participants in the WRCOG Committee structure and that staff will continue to meet with BIA representatives.

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

D. Community Choice Aggregation Program Activities Update

Barbara Spoonhour reported that a Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) Program creates cheaper energy rates and local control. The final draft Inland Choice Power CCA Business Plan is being presented for final approval by the Executive Committee. Over the next few months staff will be presenting various governance and operational structures through the Committee structure. Whichever structure is ultimately decided upon, each jurisdiction will have to determine if it chooses to participate in the CCA or not.

Action: 1. *Recommended that the Executive Committee receive the final draft Inland Choice Power Community Choice Aggregation Business Plan.*

E. Public Service Fellowship Program

Jennifer Ward reported that the end of the first round of the Public Service Fellowship is near. A total of 17 Fellows have been placed with WRCOG's member jurisdictions; both the Program and the Fellows have received a great deal of positive feedback.

A Member Agency Interest Form is being distributed prior to kick-off of round two of the Fellowship. Staff is requesting the form be completed and returned by the end of the month; this will assist staff in the matching process.

The City of Hemet has hired its Fellow on a temporary basis until he can be budgeted full-time.

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

7. REPORT FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

In the interest of time, Rick Bishop had nothing to report.

8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

There were no items for future agendas.

9. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no general announcements.

10. CLOSED SESSION

There were no reportable actions.

11. NEXT MEETING

The next Technical Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 16, 2017, at 9:30 a.m., in the County of Riverside Administrative Center, 5th Floor, Conference Room C.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee adjourned at 11:16 a.m.

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Western Riverside Council of Governments

Technical Advisory Committee

Staff Report

Subject: Finance Department Activities Update

Contact: Ernie Reyna, Chief Financial Officer, reyna@wrcog.coq.ca.us, (951) 955-8432

Date: February 16, 2017

The purpose of this item is to provide an update on the interim WRCOG audit of Fiscal Year 2015/2016, which resulted in a final Comprehensive Annual Financial Report issued on January 31, 2017. This report also provides an update on the next upcoming Agency budget amendment report and an update on the annual TUMF Audit for 2015/2016.

Requested Action:

1. Receive and file.

Financial Audit

Financial auditors from Vavrinek, Trine, Day, & Co have completed the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). It is anticipated that the Finance Directors' Committee will receive a report on the audit and financial statements at its March 23, 2017, meeting. The Administration & Finance Committee will receive the report at its April 12, 2017, meeting.

Budget Amendment

March 31, 2017, will mark the end of the third quarter of FY 2016/2017, and it is anticipated the Administration & Finance Committee will be presented with a budget amendment at its April 12, 2017, meeting. The Technical Advisory Committee will also consider the amendment report at its April 20, 2017, meeting. The Executive Committee will consider the amendment report at its May 1, 2017, meeting.

Annual TUMF Audit for FY 2015/2016

Staff has completed the TUMF audits of each jurisdiction and the final reports will be issued in February of 2017. The TUMF audits allow staff to ensure that member agencies are correctly calculating and remitting TUMF funds in compliance with the TUMF Program.

Prior Action:

February 8, 2017: The Administration & Finance Committee received report.

Fiscal Impact:

This item is informational only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact.

Attachment:

None.

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Western Riverside Council of Governments Technical Advisory Committee

Staff Report

Subject: Financial Report Summary through December 2016

Contact: Ernie Reyna, Chief Financial Officer, reyna@wrcog.cog.ca.us, (951) 955-8432

Date: February 16, 2017

The purpose of this item is to provide a monthly summary of WRCOG's financial statements in the form of combined Agency revenues and costs.

Requested Action:

1. Receive and file.
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Attached for Committee review is the Financial Report Summary through December 2016.

Prior Action:

February 8, 2016: The Administration & Finance Committee received report.

Fiscal Impact:

This item is informational only; therefore there is no fiscal impact.

Attachment:

1. Financial Report Summary – December 2016.

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Financial Report Summary through
December 2016

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Financial Report
Summary – December 2016

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Western Riverside Council of Governments
Monthly Budget to Actuals
For the Month Ending December 31, 2016

		Approved 6/30/2017 Budget	Thru 12/31/2016 Actual	Remaining 6/30/2017 Budget
Revenues				
40001	Member Dues	309,410	306,410	3,000
42001	Other Revenue	-	15	(15)
42004	General Assembly	300,000	5,000	295,000
40601	WRCOG HERO	1,963,735	726,327	1,237,409
40602	SCE Phase II	57,000		57,000
40604	CA HERO	7,615,461	3,490,796	4,124,665
40605	The Gas Company Partnership	62,000	31,398	30,602
40606	SCE WRELP	-	51,108	(51,108)
40607	WRCOG HERO Commercial	27,500	11,384	16,116
40609	SCE Phase III	-	10,634	(10,634)
40611	WRCOG HERO Recording Revenue	335,555	166,075	169,480
40612	CA HERO Recording Revenue	1,301,300	733,705	567,595
40614	Active Transportation	200,000	50,254	149,746
41201	Solid Waste	107,915	98,415	9,500
41401	Used Oil Opportunity Grants	250,000	264,320	(14,320)
41402	Air Quality-Clean Cities	139,500	128,000	11,500
41701	LTF	692,000	701,250	(9,250)
43001	Commercial/Service - Admin (4%)	37,074	31,492	5,582
43002	Retail - Admin (4%)	142,224	51,428	90,796
43003	Industrial - Admin (4%)	128,446	68,843	59,603
43004	Residential/Multi/Single - Admin (4%)	1,067,271	374,451	692,820
43005	Multi-Family - Admin (4%)	224,983	21,185	203,798
43001	Commercial/Service	889,786	756,087	133,698
43002	Retail	3,413,375	1,234,273	2,179,102
43003	Industrial	3,082,710	1,652,230	1,430,480
43004	Residential/Multi/Single	25,614,514	8,986,547	16,627,967
43005	Multi-Family	5,399,595	508,450	4,891,146
	Total Revenues	61,125,676	20,460,078	40,665,598
Expenditures				
Wages and Benefits				
60001	Wages & Salaries	1,981,159	1,161,465	819,694
61000	Fringe Benefits	579,477	364,290	215,187
	Total Wages and Benefits	2,620,636	1,525,754	1,094,882
General Operations				
63000	Overhead Allocation	1,518,136	759,068	759,068
65101	General Legal Services	410,673	386,565	24,108
65401	Audit Fees	25,000	10,300	14,700
65505	Bank Fees	25,500	7,904	17,596
65507	Commissioners Per Diem	46,500	26,850	19,650
73001	Office Lease	145,000	79,389	65,611
73003	WRCOG Auto Fuels Expense	178	329	(151)
73004	WRCOG Auto Maint Expense	16	33	(17)
73102	Parking Validations	3,650	2,835	815
73104	Staff Recognition	1,200	632	568
73107	Event Support	181,888	72,049	109,839
73108	General Supplies	20,833	8,683	12,150
73109	Computer Supplies	7,925	3,416	4,509
73110	Computer Software	13,705	21,388	(7,683)
73111	Rent/Lease Equipment	25,000	18,544	6,456
73113	Membership Dues	40,600	8,300	32,300
73114	Subscriptions/Publications	8,283	16,169	(7,886)
73115	Meeting Support/Services	14,098	4,935	9,163
73116	Postage	5,653	1,776	3,877
73117	Other Household Expenditures	2,354	2,813	(459)
73118	COG Partnership Agreement	40,000	10,254	29,746
73122	Computer Hardware	4,000	337	3,663
73126	EV Charging Equipment	-	49,605	(49,605)
73201	Communications-Regular	2,000	420	1,580
73203	Communications-Long Distance	1,200	114	1,086
73204	Communications-Cellular	11,186	5,619	5,567
73206	Communications-Comp Sv	17,000	36,486	(19,486)
73209	Communications-Web Site	15,600	627	14,973
73301	Equipment Maintenance - General	7,070	6,464	606
73302	Equipment Maintenance - Computers	3,267	10,188	(6,921)
73405	Insurance - General/Business Liason	63,520	73,020	(9,500)
73407	WRCOG Auto Insurance	345	1,570	(1,225)
73502	County RCIT	2,500	545	1,955
73506	CA HERO Recording Fee	1,636,855	788,816	848,039
73601	Seminars/Conferences	25,013	7,383	17,631
73605	General Assembly	300,000	1,822	298,178
73611	Travel - Mileage Reimbursement	21,252	8,841	12,411
73612	Travel - Ground Transportation	8,779	1,791	6,988
73613	Travel - Airfare	22,000	6,993	15,007
73620	Lodging	19,550	5,413	14,137
73630	Meals	10,091	4,624	5,467
73640	Other Incidentals	14,164	5,932	8,232
73650	Training	14,200	40	14,160
73703	Supplies/Materials	45,700	300	45,400
73706	Radio & TV Ads	44,853	34,683	10,170
XXXXX	TUMF Projects	38,399,980	18,957,329	19,442,651
85101	Consulting Labor	3,528,328	1,514,922	2,013,406
85102	Consulting Expenses	245,000	2,889	242,111
85180	BEYOND Expenditures	2,023,000	167,029	1,855,971
90101	Computer Equipment/Software	31,500	19,742	11,758
	Total General Operations	49,225,890	22,523,216	26,070,118
Total Expenditures		51,846,526	24,048,970	27,164,999

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Western Riverside Council of Governments

Technical Advisory Committee

Staff Report

Subject: Regional Streetlight Program Activities Update

Contact: Tyler Masters, Program Manager, masters@wrcog.cog.ca.us, (951) 955-8378

Date: February 16, 2017

The purpose of this item is to provide the Committee with an update on the Streetlight City Council Presentations and the next steps that member jurisdictions are taking as they consider participating in the Program.

Requested Action:

1. Receive and file.

WRCOG's Regional Streetlight Program will assist member jurisdictions with the acquisition and retrofit of their Southern California Edison (SCE)-owned and operated streetlights. The Program has three phases, which include: 1) streetlight inventory; 2) procurement and retrofitting of streetlights; and 3) ongoing operations and maintenance. The overall goal of the Program is to provide significant cost savings to the member jurisdictions.

Background

At the direction of the Executive Committee, WRCOG is developing a Regional Streetlight Program that will allow jurisdictions (and Community Service Districts) to purchase the streetlights within their boundaries that are currently owned / operated by SCE. Once the streetlights are owned by the member jurisdiction, the lamps will then be retrofitted to Light Emitting Diode (LED) technology to provide more economical operations (i.e., lower maintenance costs, reduced energy use, and improvements in public safety). Local control of the streetlight system allows jurisdictions opportunities to enable future revenue generating opportunities such as digital-ready networks, and telecommunications and IT strategies.

The goal of the Program is to provide cost-efficiencies for local jurisdictions through the purchase, retrofit, and maintain the streetlights within jurisdictional boundaries, without the need of additional jurisdictional resources. As a regional Program, WRCOG is working with jurisdictions to move through the acquisition process, develop financing recommendations, develop / update regional and community-specific streetlight standards, and implement a regional operations and maintenance agreement that will increase the level of service currently being provided by SCE.

City Council Presentations

To support the education of the Regional Streetlight Program staff has provided a number of presentations including City Council Study Sessions, Council Member briefings, and City Commissions, in addition to over 25 WRCOG Committee update presentations and City-specific cash flow meetings. Staff is working with member staff to set additional presentations and/or meetings as requested.

Next Steps: Staff have been working with participating member jurisdictions and SCE to support jurisdictions through the acquisition processes to transition current SCE-owned streetlights to jurisdictional ownership. After assessing feasibility of acquiring its streetlights from SCE, one of the next major steps in order to complete the acquisition process is for each interested jurisdiction and SCE to mutually agree on a Purchase and Sales Agreement. The Sales Agreement would then need to be taken to City Council for approval. Several cities have scheduled City Council meetings to consider approval of their Sales Agreement:

January 24, 2017: City of Lake Elsinore - City Council took action to approve the purchase and directed staff to determine new streetlight standards, and LED retrofit, operations and maintenance options.

February 7, 2017: City of San Jacinto - City Council presentation followed by potential March decision.

February 8, 2017: City of Eastvale – City Council Streetlight Presentation followed by potential March decision.

February 15, 2017: City of Menifee - Anticipated City Council consideration.

February 21, 2017: City of Murrieta - Anticipated City Council consideration.

February 28, 2017: City of Hemet - Council Study Session followed by potential February consideration.

February 28, 2017: City of Temecula - Anticipated City Council consideration.

March 7, 2017: City of Wildomar - Anticipated City Council consideration.

Upon jurisdiction approval of the Sales Agreement, SCE will then submit the Sales Agreement to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) for final approval before the transfer of streetlights can occur. The CPUC could take anywhere between two to six months to approve.

Below are the next steps that will be taken by a WRCOG member jurisdiction during 2017:

Jurisdiction	Received SCE evaluation	SCE Sales Distributed	Council Action on SCE Sales Contract	Selecting financing options	Anticipated CPUC application	Anticipated CPUC approval	Anticipated Retrofit
Calimesa	12/15/15	10/19/16	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Corona	No	The City already owns most of the streetlights within its City Boundaries					
Eastvale	12/15/15	10/19/16	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Hemet	1/20/16	10/19/16	2/28/17	TBD	May 2017	Aug. 2017	Sept. 2017
Jurupa Valley	2/26/16	10/19/16	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Lake Elsinore	9/28/15	10/19/16	1/24/17 *Approved*	TBD	April 2017	July 2017	Aug. 2017
Menifee	1/8/16	10/19/16	2/15/17	TBD	May 2017	Aug. 2017	Sept. 2017
Murrieta	10/23/15	10/19/16	2/21/17	TBD	May 2017	Nov. 2017	Dec. 2017
Norco	3/14/16	10/19/16	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Perris	1/19/16	10/19/16	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
San Jacinto	1/21/16	10/19/16	2/7/17 presentation *Staff coming back in March for potential action on	TBD	May 2017	Aug. 2017	Sept. 2017

			Sales Agreement*				
Temecula	9/28/16	10/19/16	2/28/17	TBD	May 2017	Nov. 2017	Dec. 2017
Wildomar	1/19/16	10/19/16	3/8/17	TBD	May 2017	Aug. 2017	Sept. 2017
County of Riverside	3/16/16	10/19/16	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
JCSD	12/15/16	10/19/16	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
RCSD	2/26/16	RCSD will support the City of Jurupa Valley if the City chooses to participate in the Regional Program					

WRCOG staff continues to schedule meetings with the remaining member cities to work with SCE on the finalization of the Sales Agreement and assist WRCOG member cities at City Council meetings for decision on the Sales Agreement. If interested in discussing where your jurisdiction is in the process and what the next steps are, please contact Tyler Masters, Program Manager, at (951) 955-8378 or masters@wrcog.cog.ca.us.

Demonstration Area Tour Update: In Partnership with the City of Hemet, WRCOG has installed a variety of LED streetlights from different vendors in five Demonstration Areas throughout the City. These five Demonstration Areas represent different street and land use types, from school, residential, and commercial areas, to low, medium, and high traffic street areas. 12 outdoor lighting manufacturers are participating in these Demonstration Areas.

Input from local government officials, public safety staff, health experts, residents, business owners, and other community stakeholders is important before moving forward with a plan to upgrade streetlights in the subregion. The results obtained from the surveys from all five tours and Survey Monkey will be analyzed to help identify proper lighting systems to be implemented throughout Western Riverside County. Staff expects to have a shortlist of lighting fixtures identified for member jurisdiction review within March 2017.

With support from RTA, WRCOG was able to provide guided educational bus tours of the five Demonstration Areas for over 130 participants from 35 jurisdictions and organizations. The tours were held on the dates listed below:

- November 10, 2016, at 5:30 p.m.
- November 14, 2016, at 5:30 p.m.
- November 29, 2016, at 5:30 p.m.
- December 7, 2016, at 5:30 p.m.
- January 30, 2016, at 5:30 p.m.

Prior Actions:

February 9, 2017: The Public Works Committee received report.

February 6, 2017: The Executive Committee received report.

Fiscal Impact:

Activities for the Regional Streetlight Program are included in the Agency's adopted Fiscal Year 2016/2017 Budget. The additional costs associated with this contract amendment in the amount of \$70,779 will be reflected in an upcoming Agency Budget Amendment.

Attachment:

None.

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Western Riverside Council of Governments Technical Advisory Committee

Staff Report

Subject: Western Riverside Energy Leader Partnership Update

Contact: Tyler Masters, Program Manager, masters@wrcog.cog.ca.us, (951) 955-8378

Date: February 16, 2017

The purpose of this item is to provide the Committee with information on the Local Government Challenge, highlight the advancements of several WRELP member jurisdictions in the Partnership and to provide an update on the upcoming California Green Summit that will be held on April 26 – 27, 2017

Requested Action:

1. Receive and file.
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The Western Riverside Energy Leader Partnership (WRELP) responds to Executive Committee direction for WRCOG, Southern California Edison (SCE), and the Southern California Gas Company (SoCal Gas) to seek ways to improve marketing and outreach to the WRCOG subregion regarding energy efficiency. WRELP is designed to assist local governments to set an example for their communities to increase energy efficiency, reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, increase renewable energy usage, and improve air quality.

Local Government Challenge

The California Energy Commission (CEC) has released a funding opportunity known as the "Local Government Challenge." The Local Government Challenge will encourage participation from both small and large local governments by separating funding into two categories: 1) the Small Government Leadership Challenge and 2) the Energy Innovation Challenge. The total allocated amount of funding that has been made available for the Challenge program is \$10.2 million. Eligible participants from local governments include city or county governments or organizations connected to city or county governments such as joint power authorities, councils of governments and housing authorities that have a role in the development process.

The Small Government Leadership Challenge (SGLC) is geared toward local governments with populations that do not exceed 150,000 are eligible to apply. The SGLC works to aid smaller governments with fewer resources than larger governments to design and implement their climate action plans or other planning efforts advancing greenhouse gas reductions to meet state climate targets and goals. Types of projects include creating a Climate Action Plan (CAP) / Energy Action Plan (EAP) or to plan / implement the strategies set forth from the CAP/EAP. Preference will be made to those local governments with projects benefitting disadvantaged communities. The allocation amount for this portion of the SGLC is \$3 million.

The Energy Innovation Challenge (EIC) applies to local governments with the goal of implementing innovative energy efficiency projects. The EIC encourages participation from local governments that have already set climate and energy goals and are working to take the next steps in innovation and creativity. Types of projects include creating a plan to reduce energy use in buildings by implementing energy retrofits and looking to implement Zero Net Energy building retrofits in their communities. Preference will be given to projects that are implemented within or benefitting a disadvantaged community. The allocation amount for this portion of the EIC is \$7.2 million.

Further information about the Local Government Challenge can be found on the California Energy Commission website at <http://www.energy.ca.gov/contracts/GFO-16-404/>.

WREL P Tier Level Update

One of the main goals of the WREL P Partnership is to help participating member cities move up in their tier levels in order to achieve higher incentives on energy efficiency projects from Southern California Edison (SCE). Four of the 14 WREL P member cities have moved up in tier levels through the implementation of energy efficiency projects and meeting community outreach requirements. The following cities listed below have achieved a higher tier status:

- City of Canyon Lake advances to Gold
- City of Norco advances to Gold
- City of Perris advances to Platinum
- City of Temecula advances to Platinum

The SCE tier level methodology is comprised of four levels: Value, Silver, Gold, and Platinum. SCE starts all partnership cities at Value level and in order to move on up in tier level status, member cities must complete several community requirements and implement energy efficiency projects to help reach their goal of kWh saved. Below is a snapshot of the WREL P member jurisdictions showcasing their current tier level and the amount of kWh saved that is needed to reach the next tier level status.

WREL P Tier Updates

WREL P Cities	Current Tier Level	kWh needed to reach next level
Calimesa	Platinum	0
Canyon Lake	Gold	23,908
Corona	Gold	4,083,899
Eastvale	Gold	1,180
Hemet	Gold	202,813
Lake Elsinore	Silver	49,860
Menifee	Value	6,160
Moreno Valley	Gold	167,152
Murrieta	Value	26,202
Norco	Gold	409,730
Perris	Platinum	0
San Jacinto	Silver	42,046
Temecula	Platinum	0
Wildomar	Value	5,294

Green Summit

On April 26 and 27, 2017, Green Technology will be hosting the Green California Summit to discuss various items of importance to local governments and educators. This event will be held at the Sacramento Convention Center (1400 J St, Sacramento, CA 95814).

At this Summit, attendees will learn about the innovations in policy, technology, and best practices from speakers. The goal of the Summit is to support the sustainability initiatives that the State of California has set and looks to accomplish. Further information about this forum can be found on the Green California website at <http://www.green-technology.org/gcsummit17/index.html>.

Prior Action:

February 6, 2017: The Executive Committee received report.

Fiscal Impact:

This item is informational only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact.

Attachment:

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Western Riverside Council of Governments Technical Advisory Committee

Staff Report

Subject: Environmental Department Activities Update

Contact: Dolores Sanchez Badillo, Staff Analyst, badillo@wrcog.cog.ca.us, (951) 955-8306

Date: February 16, 2017

The purpose of this item is to provide an update on the Used Oil and Filter Exchange events and the progress of WRCOG's Pilot Litter Program being conducted in the City of Lake Elsinore.

Requested Action:

1. Receive and file.
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WRCOG assists its member jurisdictions with addressing state mandates, specifically the Integrated Waste Management Act (AB 939, Chapter 1095, Statutes of 1989), which required 25% and 50% diversion of waste from landfills by 1995 and 2000, respectively. While certain aspects of AB 939 have been modified over the years with legislation defining what materials counted towards diversion and how to calculate the diversion rate for jurisdictions, the intent of the bill remains. Each year, a jurisdiction must file an Electronic Annual Report (EAR) with CalRecycle on the jurisdictions' achievements in meeting and maintaining the diversion requirements. The Environmental Department also has a Regional Used Oil component which is designed to assist member jurisdictions in educating and promoting proper recycling and disposal of used oil, oil filters, and household hazardous waste (HHW) to the community.

Recycling Program Activities Update

Used Oil Events: WRCOG's Used Oil and Oil Filter Exchange events help educate and facilitate the proper recycling of used motor oil and used oil filters in various WRCOG jurisdictions. The primary objective of hosting the events is to educate "Do It Yourself" (DIY) individuals who change their own oil, promoting the recycling of used oil and oil filters; therefore, an auto parts store is a great venue for educating these individuals. In addition to promoting used oil / oil filter recycling, staff informs the DIYer about the County-wide HHW Collection Program in which residents can drop-off other automotive and household hazardous products for free.

WRCOG staff hosted a number of Used Oil events and participated in three community events over the past several months in the subregion.

Date	Event	Attendance	Filters	Radio / Guests
10/8/16	City of Canyon Lake: Canyon Lake Car Show	500	N/A	N/A
10/15/16	City of Lake Elsinore: City Wide Clean Up	100	N/A	N/A
10/15/16	City of Murrieta: Murrieta Rod Run	350	N/A	N/A
10/29/16	City of Temecula: City Wide Clean Up	170	N/A	N/A
10/29/16	City of Wildomar: Trunk or Treat Event	500	N/A	N/A
11/5/16	City of Temecula: Used Oil Event	45	24	The Mix Radio

11/19/16	City of Riverside: Used Oil Event	100	114	HOT Radio
12/3/16	City of Perris: Used Oil Event	90	177	KQIE
12/10/16	City of Eastvale: Used Oil Event	50	130	Past Mayor Ike Bootsma
1/7/17	City of Murrieta: Used Oil Event	68	21	KGGI
1/21/17	City of Jurupa Valley: Used Oil Event	30	13	N/A
1/28/17	City of Lake Elsinore: Used Oil Event	45	12	KATY
2/4/17	City of Norco: Used Oil Event	50	17	KOLA



On January 7, 2017, WRCOG and KGGI Radio staff display actual Used Oil brought in by a new Murrieta resident, left.



On January 21, 2017, Intern Jorge Nieto manages the WRCOG Used Oil booth in Jurupa Valley, below.



On January 28, 2017, City of Lake Elsinore residents who attended the WRCOG Used Oil Event were greeted by Intern Kyle Rodriguez as well as staff from KATY Radio.

Upcoming Used Oil Events

The following is a list of Used Oil and Oil Filter Exchange events that are presently scheduled. To request an event for your jurisdiction please contact Jorge Nieto, WRCOG Intern, at (951) 955-8328 or nieto@wrcog.cog.ca.us.

Date	Event	Location	Time
2/4/17	City of Norco Used Oil Event	AutoZone, 1404 Hamner Ave.	9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
2/18/17	City of Riverside Used Oil Event	AutoZone, 7315 Indiana Ave.	9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
3/4/17	City of Moreno Valley Used Oil Event	AutoZone, 12601 Perris Blvd.	9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
3/11/17	City of Eastvale Used Oil Event	Autozone, 14228 Schleisman Rd.	9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
3/18/17	City of Corona Used Oil Event	AutoZone, 501 North McKinley	9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

CalRecycle Grant Opportunities

The following is a list of current grant opportunities offered by CalRecycle to assist public and private entities in the safe and effective management of the waste stream. WRCOG provides grant assistance to member jurisdictions seeking to pursue funding opportunities. To request grant assistance for the grants listed below, please contact Dolores Sanchez Badillo, Staff Analyst, at (951) 955-8306 or badillo@wrcog.cog.ca.us.

Organics Grant Program (Fiscal Year 2016-2017): CalRecycle administers the Organics Grant Program pursuant to Public Resources Code section 42999. The purpose of this competitive grant Program is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by expanding existing capacity or establishing new facilities in California to reduce the amount of California-generated green materials, food materials, or alternative daily cover being sent to landfills.

Funding: \$24,000,000 is available for Fiscal Year 2016-2017, to be distributed as follows:

- Compost Projects: \$12,000,000 allocation for compost projects with a maximum grant award of \$3,000,000 per application. This includes \$2,400,000 in requested infrastructure costs and \$600,000 in performance payments.
- Rural Programs: \$3,000,000 from the compost projects allocation is available for Rural Program applications. The maximum grant award is \$3,000,000 per application. This includes \$2,400,000 in requested infrastructure costs and \$600,000 in performance payments.

There is a \$12,000,000 allocation for a digestion project, with a maximum award of \$4,000,000 per application. This includes \$3,200,000 in requested infrastructure costs and \$800,000 in performance payments. If interested, information can be found at

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Climate/GrantsLoans/Organics/FY201617/default.htm>

Application due date: March 9, 2017

WRCOG Pilot and Regional Litter Initiative



Lake Elsinore Pilot Litter Program Graphic Designs for Educational Outreach



A partnership comprised of the City of Lake Elsinore, WRCOG, and Riverside Flood Control and Water Conservation District is working hard to move the Lake Elsinore Litter Pilot Program to the next level. April 22, 2017, is both Earth Day and the day of the Annual Lake Elsinore Clean Extreme event. All parties are working together to merge the Litter Pilot Program into the successful community event. This year, over 700 city residents are expected to clean lots, pick up highway trash, and paint a large mural on a wall located directly

across the highway from the Lake Elsinore Outlets.

The Lake Elsinore Litter Program will donate materials, conduct contests, bring along a remote radio station opportunity, and provide “Love Where You Live” information for all attendees. WRCOG would like to thank Lowe’s Home Improvement and CR&R Environmental Services for their contributions. Look for more information on the April 22, 2017, Clean Extreme Event on the City of Lake Elsinore’s and WRCOG websites.



Lake Elsinore Litter Program Business Window Sticker

Local businesses will also be involved in the “Love Where You Live” litter program to advocate having a clean and litter-free environment. Static cling “Litter-Free Zone” stickers will be provided and placed upon business store windows to help reduce litter as part of the No Littering Campaign. Approximately thirty businesses on Main Street will take the no-litter pledge, promising to combat litter and behaviors promoting it.

Various items such as recycle bins and informational flyers detailing important tips on keeping commercial businesses clean and litter-free will be provided to these stores.

Prior Actions:

February 9, 2017: The Public Works Committee received report.

February 6, 2017: The Executive Committee received report.

Fiscal Impact:

Solid Waste and Used Oil Program activities are included in the current adopted Agency budget. Costs identified in association with the Pilot Litter Initiative will come from WRCOG carryover funds within the Environment Department and reflected in an upcoming Agency Budget for Fiscal Year 2016/2017, as a quarterly budget amendment, if needed.

Attachment:

None.



Western Riverside Council of Governments Technical Advisory Committee

Staff Report

Subject: Clean Cities Coalition Activities Update

Contact: Christopher Gray, Director of Transportation, gray@wrcoq.coq.ca.us, (951) 955-8304

Date: February 16, 2017

The purpose of this item is to provide an on-going briefing for the Clean Cities Coalition, an on-going Program to encourage the purchase and use of alternative fueled vehicles within the WRCOG subregion.

Requested Action:

1. Receive and file.
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AB 2766 Reporting Information

The AB 2766 budget allows for 10% to be allocated by jurisdictions to air quality education and outreach efforts. The Clean Cities Coalition conducts these efforts on behalf of its member agencies as educational and outreach programs designed to empower our stakeholders with the tools and resources necessary to develop and implement successful fuel diversification, prepare vehicle upgrade strategies based on specific operational needs and local market conditions, and diversify their programs to include the following:

- Promote the reduction of petroleum-based fuels and increase the use of alternative fuel vehicles, fuels, and advanced technologies;
- Promote diversification and vehicle upgrade strategies;
- Address AB 32 mandates to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and
- Incorporate additional topics such as public health, active transportation planning, and energy efficiency strategies.

For the purposes of AB 2766, WRCOG has provided a summary of accomplishments for Fiscal Year 2015/2016 to each member agency – a letter to the City of Banning is provided for reference. A short summary of the accomplishments are provided below.

- Establish Partnership with UC Riverside's Center for Environmental Research and Technology (CE-CERT): Staff has identified CE-CERT to be a vital partner for the advancement of the goals of the Clean Cities Coalition. The research and development conducted locally at the CE-CERT is a tremendous benefit to the subregion and staff aims to establish a partnership to enable access and frequent updates to the Coalition members.
- The Western Riverside County Active Transportation Plan: Staff has been working with local jurisdiction staff to ensure a regionally significant active transportation plan is crafted, so that any form of active transportation can be viable option for residents to utilize and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
- County of Riverside Purchasing and Fleet Services Vehicle Vendor Expo – June 2, 2016: Local policy makers, fleet operators, and industry representative from the region joined a day-long exhibit and panels to support alternative fuel purchasing and fleets. One of the panels featured WRCOG, in which staff discussed funding programs to support alternative fuel deployments in Southern California fleets.

- South Coast Air Quality Management District's (AQMD) 2016 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) Outreach: AQMD provided an overview and led discussions with Coalition members at a stakeholder meeting in October to review the 2016 AQMP. WRCOG staff reviewed the 2016 AQMP and provided feedback to AQMD staff.
- Clean Cities Coalition Stakeholder Meetings: Staff hosted several meetings to discuss air quality legislation, funding opportunities, and clean technologies associated with air quality.
- News and Publications: Staff continues to produce quarterly newsletters, Public Service Announcements and publications regarding alternative fuel / advanced technology advancements and interviews with air quality champions.
- Update of Good Neighbor Guidelines for Siting New and/or Modified Warehouse / Distribution Facilities: WRCOG conducted an effort to update these guidelines in the summer of 2016. This update included three key elements: 1) Identifying strategies used by other agencies to address similar issues; 2) Updating references to any technical documents in the guidelines; and 3) Reviewing the guidelines to update as appropriate.

Outreach Events

Active Transportation Network: Staff participates in this quarterly meeting to discuss active transportation opportunities and challenges in the Riverside County area.

Safe Routes to School: Staff participates with the Riverside County Department of Public Health to encourage students to walk or ride their bikes to school.

Grant Writing Services

AQMD Elective Vehicle Charging Equipment Rebates: Staff was available to assist with the application process for funding made available through AQMD via EPA funds for government and non-profits agencies to purchase additional EV chargers.

Additional Workshops & Activities

Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC) Work Program Development Workshops: A series of workshops were held in order to receive input on MSRC's two-year Work Program, which distributes approximately \$14 million each year to projects designed to reduce emissions from motor vehicles within the South Coast Air District. Coalition members participated in a discussion about how the MSRC can help improve air quality in the South Coast region and assist AQMD in meeting its clean air requirements.

AQMD Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) Advisory Committee Monthly Meetings: WRCOG staff attended monthly meetings of the AQMP Advisory Committee.

Prior Action:

February 6, 2017: The Executive Committee received report.

Fiscal Impact:

This item is informational only; therefore there is no fiscal impact.

Attachment:

1. AB 2766 Report FY 2015-2016.

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Clean Cities Coalition Activities Update

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AB 2766 Report FY 2015-2016

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BANNING INTEROFFICE MEMO

Date: January 27, 2017

To: Art Vela, Public Works Director, City of Banning

From: Christopher Gray, Director of Transportation, WRCOG

Subject: City of Banning AB 2766 Reporting Information (\$3,000 for the Clean Cities Coalition)

Who we are: The Western Riverside County Clean Cities Coalition (Coalition) is a voluntary program that brings together local government and private industry in an effort to expand the use of alternatives to gasoline and diesel fuel.

Coalition goals: The AB 2766 budget allows for 10% to be allocated to air quality education and outreach efforts. The Coalition educational and outreach programs are designed to empower our stakeholders with the tools and resources necessary to develop and implement successful fuel diversification, vehicle upgrade strategies based on specific operational needs and local market conditions, and diversify their programs to include the following:

- Promote the reduction of petroleum based fuels and increase the use of alternative fuel vehicles, fuels, and advanced technologies;
- Promote diversification and vehicle upgrade strategies;
- Address AB 32 mandates to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and
- Incorporate additional topics such as public health, active transportation planning, and energy efficiency strategies.

In addition, the Coalition coordinates air quality efforts for both private and public sectors by providing a forum to discover commonalities, combine resources, and promote the benefits of alternative fuels and advanced technology vehicles in their communities. The Coalition looked to provide this forum by beginning to form a relationship with the University of California, Riverside's Center for Environmental Research and Technology, as noted in the accomplishments.

Where our funding comes from: The Coalition receives funding from the U.S. Department of Energy, private sector sponsorships, and its member jurisdictions: the Cities of Banning, Calimesa, Corona, Eastvale, Lake Elsinore, Hemet, Moreno Valley, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, Temecula, and the County of Riverside. **A portion of the City's AB 2766 funding is used to implement the Coalition, and the City is notified about all program activities.**

How we are organized: This program is administered by the Western Riverside Council of Governments.

AB 2766 Funds: The AB 2766 funds are utilized for staff funding to manage and administer the following programs:

Selected FY 2015/2016 accomplishments:

- Establish Partnership with UC Riverside's Center for Environmental Research and Technology (CE-CERT) – Coalition staff has identified CE-CERT to be a vital partner for the advancement of the goals of the Clean Cities Coalition. The research and development conducted locally at the CE-CERT is a tremendous benefit to the subregion and the Coalition staff aims to establish a partnership to enable access and frequent updates to the Coalition members.

CE-CERT is the largest research center on campus and brings together multiple disciplines throughout the campus to address environmental challenges in air, energy, and transportation. The Center's research focus is on utilizing technology to achieve environmental sustainability that requires innovation in many

different areas. Among the topics CE-CERT researches that are most relevant, and the Coalition will be looking for more information on in the future, are emissions and fuel research – encompassing measurement of vehicle emissions in the laboratory and in the field, under controlled and “real world” operating conditions; and CE-CERT’s Sustainable Integrated Grid Initiative – research to integrate solar electricity generation, smart distribution, commercial-scale energy storage, and electric transportation.

- The Western Riverside County Active Transportation Plan: In November 2014, WRCOG was awarded funds from the California Transportation Commission to create the Western Riverside County Active Transportation Plan. Work has commenced on the Plan and is working to address the walking and biking infrastructure in Western Riverside County, as well as increasing safety for pedestrians and cyclists. Coalition staff has been working with local jurisdiction staff to ensure a regionally significant active transportation plan is crafted, so that any form of active transportation can be viable option for residents to utilize and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
- County of Riverside Purchasing and Fleet Services Vehicle Vendor Expo – June 2, 2016: local policy makers, fleet operators and industry representative from the region joined a day-long exhibit and panels to support alternative fuel purchasing and fleets. One of the panels featured Coalition staff to discuss funding programs to support alternative fuel deployments in Southern California fleets. Another panel featured experience fleet managers sharing information on alternative fuel deployment efforts and provided lessons learned. The main event was focused around exhibition booths and displays from fleet operators, industry, and government agencies.
- South Coast Air Quality Management District’s (AQMD) 2016 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) Outreach: AQMD provided an overview and led discussions with Coalition members at a stakeholder meeting in October to review the 2016 AQMP. Coalition members actively participated and all questions raised were answered by AQMD staff. Also, Coalition staff reviewed the 2016 AQMP and provided feedback to AQMD staff.
- Clean Cities Coalition Stakeholder Meetings: The Coalition hosted several meetings to discuss air quality legislation, funding opportunities, and clean technologies associated with air quality.
- News and Publications: The Coalition continues to produce quarterly newsletters, Public Service Announcements (PSA), and publications regarding alternative fuel/advanced technology advancements and interviews with air quality champions.
 - o City residents, businesses, elected officials, and County staff receives the quarterly newsletter as a web blast.
- Update of Good Neighbor Guidelines for Siting New and/or Modified Warehouse / Distribution Facilities: WRCOG adopted a Good Neighbor Guidelines for Siting New and/or Modified Warehouse / Distribution Facilities to guide local jurisdictions in siting and to try to integrate the new / modified facility well with its surroundings previously in 2003. The original purpose of these Guidelines were to assist developers, property owners, elected officials, community organizations, and the general public in addressing some of the complicated choices associated with siting warehouse / distribution facilities and understanding the options available when addressing environmental issues.

WRCOG conducted an effort to update these guidelines in the Summer of 2016. This update included three key elements:

- Identifying strategies used by other agencies to address similar issues
- Updating references to any technical documents in the guidelines
- Reviewing the guidelines to update them as appropriate

Outreach Events:

- Active Transportation Network: The Coalition participates in this quarterly meeting to discuss active transportation opportunities and challenges in the Riverside County area. This meeting provides updates on relevant events particular to the area, upcoming legislation, education events for bicycle/pedestrian safety, and opportunities to decrease vehicle dependency utilizing active transportation.
- Safe Routes to School: The Coalition participates with the Riverside County Department of Public Health to encourage students to walk or ride their bikes to school. This program reduces the vehicle miles traveled by parents and reduces greenhouse gas emissions. Coalition staff participated in Safe Routes to School meetings.

Grant Writing Services:

- The South Coast Air Quality Management District Elective Vehicle Charging Equipment Rebates: funding was made available through AQMD via EPA funds for government and non-profits agencies to purchase additional EV chargers. The amount of the rebate was up to \$7,500 per charger, an additional \$5,000 for solar panels associated with plug-in electric vehicles, and grant funds were limited to no more than \$42,000 per site. Coalition staff was available to assist with the application process.

Additional Workshops & Activities:

- Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC) Work Program Development Workshops: The Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC) held a series of workshops to receive input on its two-year work program, which distributes approximately \$14 million each year to projects designed to reduce emissions from motor vehicles on the South Coast Air District. Coalition members participated in a discussion about how the MSRC can help improve air quality in the South Coast region and assist SCAQMD in meeting its clean air requirements. The discussion also included a dialogue among stakeholders about their clean air priorities and how the MSRC could assist by considering funding for programs to meet their goals.
- South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) Advisory Committee Monthly Meetings: WRCOG staff attended monthly meetings of the AQMP Advisory Committee. The AQMP is a regional and multi-agency effort (AQMD, California Air Resources Board, Southern California Association of Governments, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency). State and Federal planning requirements include developing control strategies, attainment demonstrations, reasonable further progress, and maintenance plans.

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Western Riverside Council of Governments Technical Advisory Committee

Staff Report

Subject: PACE Program Activities Update

Contact: Barbara Spoonhour, Director of Energy and Environmental Programs,
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Date: February 16, 2017

The purpose of this item is to provide the Committee with an update on the PACE Programs that WRCOG oversees. This includes the HERO Program, CaliforniaFIRST, and Spruce Finance.

Requested Action:

1. Receive and file.
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WRCOG's PACE Programs provide financing to property owners to implement a range of energy saving, renewable energy, and water conserving improvements to their homes and businesses. Improvements must be permanently fixed to the property and must meet certain criteria to be eligible for financing. Financing is paid back through a lien placed on the property tax bill. The HERO Program was initiated in December 2011 and has been expanded (an effort called "California HERO") to allow for jurisdictions throughout the state to join WRCOG's Program and allow property owners in these jurisdictions to participate. The CaliforniaFirst and Spruce Programs are anticipated to launch in the 1st Quarter 2017.

HERO Program Activities Update

Washington, D.C., trip: On February 8, 2017, the Administration & Finance Committee authorized the WRCOG Chair, Vice-Chair, and WRCOG staff to travel to Washington, D.C., to discuss its PACE Programs with Congressional representatives and other interests.

In the past, WRCOG has sent a delegation to meet with its Congressional representatives and staff of key departments for the purposes of discussing WRCOG programs and activities, and to discuss potential funding opportunities. These trips generally included the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Executive Committee, and representatives from Renovate America (who fund their own travel). With the addition of new PACE Providers coming under WRCOG's PACE Umbrella, staff will extend the same invitation it has in the past to Renovate America for participation in the trip to CaliforniaFirst and Spruce representatives.

With changes in federal leadership and recent announcements from the Federal Housing Agency (FHA) and Veteran Affairs (VA) that state Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Program assessments are to be treated just like any other assessment and can remain with the property during a sale and/or refinancing utilizing their government backed financing, it would be beneficial for WRCOG's delegation to travel to D.C. to meet with key legislators and other influential groups to provide updates on the HERO Program. Staff is tentatively targeting the week of April 3, 2017, for a trip. WRCOG staff is beginning to work with the County of Riverside's D.C. representative to finalize the meeting dates and schedule the meetings. The funding for this trip is included in the WRCOG HERO and California HERO Fiscal Year 2016/2017 Budgets.

Prior Actions:

- February 8, 2017: The Administration & Finance Committee authorized the WRCOG Chair, Vice-Chair, and WRCOG staff to travel to Washington, D.C., to discuss its PACE Programs with Congressional representatives and other interests.
- February 6, 2017: The Executive Committee supported the WRCOG PACE Ad Hoc Committee's recommendation for the HERO Program to implement some new rate options, and direct staff to return in 90-days with a report on Program revisions and impacts.

Fiscal Impact:

Travel expenditures for these anticipated trips are included in the adopted Fiscal Year 2016/2017 Budget under the Energy Department.

Attachment:

None.



Western Riverside Council of Governments

Technical Advisory Committee

Staff Report

Subject: 2017/2018 Legislative Platform

Contact: Jennifer Ward, Director of Government Relations ward@wrcog.cog.ca.us, (951) 955-0186

Date: February 16, 2017

The purpose of this item is to share the draft WRCOG 2017/2018 Legislative Platform for review and input by Committee members.

Requested Action:

1. Review the draft 2017/2018 Legislative Platform and provide feedback to staff by Thursday, February 23, 2017.

The WRCOG 2017/2018 Legislative Platform is designed to provide guidance to WRCOG and its member jurisdictions on legislation that focuses on issues of mutual concern.

Background

At the start of each legislative session, WRCOG adopts a set of priorities in its Legislative Platform that serve to guide staff on actions related to monitoring, tracking, and recommending Agency positions on various legislation. Typically, items of legislative interest are brought to staff's attention by WRCOG's member agencies, who desire to have the Agency take a position in order to demonstrate a subregional commitment to a particular issue. By adopting this Platform, the Executive Committee provides guidance to staff in expressing its member interests to State and Federal legislators. Attached is the draft WRCOG 2017/2018 Legislative Platform for review and comment. This draft has also been shared with stakeholders in each of the industries affected by the Platform Components.

Staff is requesting that all comments be submitted to Jennifer Ward at ward@wrcog.cog.ca.us by Thursday, February 23, 2017.

Platform Components: In 2010, WRCOG established the following Agency priorities: economic development, education, energy and environment, health, transportation, water, and legislative advocacy. The Legislative Platform will build upon these established goals and guide WRCOG's role in addressing these and other issues at the subregional level. Working in coordination with its member jurisdictions, and within the regional context of inland Southern California, WRCOG will pursue the following general advocacy goals:

- Pursue state and federal funding to establish or enhance existing programs that promote quality of life and prosperity for Western Riverside County.
- Oppose legislation that seeks to limit local control, reduce funding opportunities to local jurisdictions, or increase fees and taxes on residents.
- Coordinate advocacy efforts to promote the interests of Western Riverside County to decision makers at all levels of government.

Prior Action:

February 8, 2016: The Administration & Finance Committee received the draft 2017/2018 Legislative Platform and was asked to provide feedback to staff by Thursday, February 23, 2017.

Fiscal Impact:

Staff activities related to monitoring, tracking, and adopting Agency positions on legislation are programmed in the FY 2016/2017 Agency Budget under the Government Relations Department.

Attachment:

1. Draft 2017/2018 WRCOG Legislative Platform.

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2017/2018 Legislative Platform

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Draft 2017/2018 Legislative Platform

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WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS 2017/2018 LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM

INTRODUCTION

The 2017/2018 WRCOG Legislative Platform (Platform) is designed to provide guidance to WRCOG and its member jurisdictions on legislation that focuses on issues of mutual concern. Positions adopted by the WRCOG Executive Committee will be forwarded to Sacramento, Washington D.C., and interested parties as appropriate. By adopting this Platform, the Executive Committee provides guidance to WRCOG staff in expressing its member interests to State and Federal legislators. The Platform is adopted by WRCOG at the start of the State's two-year legislative season.

Typically, items of legislative interest are brought to WRCOG's attention by WRCOG's member agencies, who desire to have the Agency take a position in order to demonstrate a subregional commitment to a particular issue. WRCOG does not currently employ full time legislative staff or lobbyists, therefore has limited ability to commit significant time to legislative activities. Staff will, to the extent possible, monitor legislation that falls within the scope of the adopted Platform and use the Platform as a guide to respond to issues and/or requests raised by WRCOG's member agencies. Staff will strive to also provide information on the impacts of such legislation to member agencies through WRCOG's existing Committee structure.

If urgent action is needed, the WRCOG Executive Director and/or the Executive Committee Chair may submit position letters and/or undertake other tasks that may be necessary on legislative matters that are consistent with the areas identified in this Platform. These actions will be reported at subsequent meetings of the WRCOG Committees.

In 2010 WRCOG established the following Agency priorities: economic development, education, energy and environment, health, transportation, water, and legislative advocacy. The following Platform will build upon these established goals and guide WRCOG's role in addressing these and other issues at the subregional level.

GENERAL ADVOCACY

The purpose of WRCOG is to unify Western Riverside County so that it can speak with a collective voice on issues of mutual concern that cross jurisdictional lines. The goal of the Agency is to respect local control while providing regional perspective. Working in coordination with its member jurisdictions, and within the regional context of inland Southern California, WRCOG will pursue the following advocacy goals:

- Pursue state and federal funding to establish or enhance existing programs that promote quality of life and prosperity for Western Riverside County.
- Oppose legislation that seeks to limit local control, reduce funding opportunities to local jurisdictions, or increase fees and taxes on residents.
- Coordinate advocacy efforts to promote the interests of Western Riverside County to decision makers at all levels of government.



PLATFORM COMPONENTS

1. Economic Development

Western Riverside County is a subregion rich in diversity, resources, and labor. Key legislative priorities for WRCOG support establishing a common vision and brand identity for the subregion and enhancing the subregion's ability to attract new investment by improving the overall quality of life in the subregion.

- Support legislation that encourages technology to assist jurisdictions and the education system in attracting potential businesses and educating future workers (e.g., wireless internet access).
- Support legislative action that streamlines the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) process and modernizes CEQA law.
- Support legislation that would encourage employers to open satellite facilities for residents that work outside of Western Riverside County or commute long distances within the region for employment, implement telecommuting, and other transportation demand management strategies.
- Support legislation that expands marketability of the subregion, and provide opportunities to "brand" Western Riverside County as a destination location and a desirable place to live, work, and play.
- Support legislation that would institute an equitable geographic distribution of state funding for the development of programs that would improve the subregion.
- Support legislation that facilitates collaboration between local government, education, and business.
- Support legislation that would maintain and/or allocate grant funding for coordinated local and regional economic development efforts.
- Support legislation that would lead to job creation in the WRCOG subregion, especially permanent, living-wage jobs.
- Support legislation that encourages the creation of jobs near housing to improve the jobs / housing balance.
- Oppose legislation that would encourage or incentivize businesses to leave Western Riverside County.

2. Education

Education plays a pivotal role in the future of Western Riverside County. WRCOG supports legislative efforts that encourage collaboration between jurisdictions and education leaders to facilitate educational opportunities in Western Riverside County. An educated workforce will attract a broader level of employers and increase the earning capabilities of residents. Expanding higher educational and skilled labor training opportunities available to residents in Western Riverside County is vital.

- Support legislation that would improve the quality of and access to education for all students.
- Support legislation that encourages public / private partnerships to increase the number of students who are college-ready, enroll and graduate from college, and who achieve degrees that are in demand in Western Riverside County.
- Support legislation that provides funding to retrain individuals for workforce re-entrance.



- Support the development of curriculum geared towards preparing students for sustainable “green collar” and clean technology jobs.
- Support legislation that would allow for the joint use of high school facilities for post-secondary education to expand access to and enrollment in college.
- Support legislation that facilitates access to Career Technical Education to fulfil growing need of skilled labor.
- Oppose legislation that redirects funding from the K-12 and post-secondary education system in Western Riverside County.

3. Energy and Environment

WRCOG is committed to the conservation of natural resources and the advancement of alternative energy sources to promote ongoing sustainability of the subregion. Energy conservation and efficiency can help residents, businesses, and jurisdictions save money, improve air quality, and protect the environment. WRCOG supports legislative efforts which support innovative “green” technologies, facilitate energy conservation and efficiency, and promote alternative energy activities to extend the benefits of these actions throughout the subregion while meeting the demands of the growing population.

- Support legislation that removes barriers for and provides funding to expand the WRCOG Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Programs.
- Support legislation that provides incentives for the private sector and local governments to voluntarily implement energy saving measures.
- Support legislation that establishes and preserves the role of local government in energy decisions, particularly for activities pertaining to electricity generation, supply, demand, and conservation to ensure adequate supply and reasonable costs for residents and businesses.
- Support legislation that encourages or provides incentives for the production and use of clean alternative energy sources.
- Support legislation that encourages emissions reductions from sources under federal control (e.g., caused by planes, trains, and ships) and increased emissions monitoring methods.
- Support the continuation of air quality management at the air basin level rather than at the statewide or individual county level.
- Support legislation that extends federal alternative fuel and vehicle tax credits and incentives.
- Support legislation that would encourage the development of alternative fuel facilities.
- Support legislation that encourages the expansion of solid waste conversion technologies.
- Support legislation that increases markets for recyclable or compostable materials.
- Support legislation that implements programs to reduce litter and illegal dumping.
- Support the increase of fines and/or confiscation of vehicles for individuals and companies caught in the act of illegal dumping.
- Support state loans, grants, and loan guarantees for businesses implementing source reduction programs and utilizing post-consumer recycled materials in the manufacture of new products.
- Support legislation that encourages the proper disposal of hazardous waste.

- Support legislation that implements Extended Producer Responsibility principles aimed at removing the cost burden for disposal of products from local jurisdictions and agencies.
- Oppose waste management requirements that would put local jurisdictions at risk of not meeting AB 939 requirements, or create excessive costs absent funding.

4. Health

Health outcomes influence educational attainment, economic opportunity, and similar factors, critical to a high quality of life. Riverside County has a poor state and national ranking in several key health indicators. Contributing factors including a lack of clinical care (e.g., access to health care facilities, insurance, and professionals), social and economic conditions (e.g., income, education, jobs, and safety), and environmental quality (e.g., park access and air quality). WRCOG supports legislative activities that increase awareness of health challenges impacting Western Riverside County; foster a natural, social, and economic environment conducive to optimal health; and empower the subregion to address these challenges in a collaborative, sustainable manner through the provision of requisite tools and resources.

- Support legislation that reduces state regulatory barriers that impede the provision of health services in Western Riverside County.
- Support legislation that facilitates regional collaboration in addressing health and healthcare problems.
- Support legislation aimed at increasing institutions that offer training and residency opportunities for healthcare professionals in exchange for contractual services.
- Support legislation and legislative actions aimed at increasing the number of hospital beds in the region.
- Support legislation that increases local government authority to oversee location of community care facilities and transportation options to the care facilities.
- Oppose legislation that could potentially establish unnecessary barriers to the creation and construction of healthcare facilities.
- Support legislation that supports continued financing and development of the University of California, Riverside School of Medicine to attract and retain health care professionals in the region.
- Support legislation that provides funding and other assistance for the development of a Youth Master Plan that contains plans and programs for special needs children (i.e., parks, recreational needs, and housing opportunities for children with special needs).
- Support legislation that creates an information exchange or information network where residents can access available support services and data on specific issues.
- Support legislation that facilitates Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) streamlining for efficient hospital construction.
- Support legislation that promotes the development of walkable communities.
- Support legislation that coordinates health goals with economic development actions.
- Support legislation that seeks to improve the level of physical activity among adults and children.
- Support legislation that seeks to improve access to affordable, healthy foods.

5. Transportation



In order to meet the needs of Western Riverside County's current population and sustainably accommodate future growth, the subregion must expand the capacity and efficiency of its transportation network. WRCOG supports legislative efforts to direct investment towards transportation infrastructure, not only for roads and highways, but for transit, goods movement, and non-motorized transportation. WRCOG also supports collaboration with regional transportation agencies to impact transportation funding and regulatory policies to bring equity and fairness to the inland Southern California region.

- Support Federal and State efforts to provide sustainable and stable funding for the transportation system.
- Support efforts to ensure that communities in Riverside County receive fair and equitable allocations of transportation funding at the Federal, State, and regional level.
- Support legislation that gives priority to self-help and "super" self-help counties when allocating bond funding and other transportation funding mechanisms.
- Support legislation to improve access and funding to public transportation.
- Support legislation and funding mechanisms that support and encourage the use of transit and non-motorized transportation, including active transportation.
- Support legislation that enhances the safety of city streets and arterials for vehicular, bicycle, and pedestrian traffic.
- Support legislation that will reduce traffic congestion and support regional transportation programs.
- Support legislation that provides funding for goods movement-related projects and studies.
- Support legislation that would create funding opportunities for upgrades and/or separations for at-grade crossings.
- Support legislation that provides increased funding for non-motorized planning and projects.
- Support legislation that increases local flexibility in the allocation of transportation capital funds.
- Oppose legislation to eliminate or restrict the use of Riverside County State Improvement Transportation Funds, federal transportation funding, Measure A, or Gas Tax funding for local transportation projects.

6. Water

Western Riverside County's economic well-being and quality of life depend on securing a reliable supply of water to meet the existing and future demands of the subregion. WRCOG supports continued conservation efforts that can reduce water use, strengthening and improving the Sacramento-San Joaquin Bay Delta levees and ecosystem, and supporting the identification and construction of alternative means for conveying water to Southern California residents and businesses.

- Support legislation and legislative actions that promote alternative water resource development such as recycled water, storm water reclamation and groundwater desalination.
- Support legislation that examines water use, not building size or acreage, when determining whether a water supply assessment is needed for commercial or industrial projects.
- Support legislation that examines a variety of water storage methods.



- Support legislation that provides funding to local governments for water quality and conservation-related programs.
- Support legislation to improve the state's water infrastructure and delivery mechanisms without causing excessive financial burdens or delivery delays to Southern California.
- Oppose legislation that shifts or re-aligns local ad valorem property tax revenues approved by local voters for vital water and wastewater infrastructure.

7. Other Local Government Issues

The active presence and vitality of local government continues to sustain the subregion. WRCOG supports legislative initiatives that preserves and expands local jurisdictional control. Further, recognizing that well-designed land use and planning decisions are vital to the successful growth and development of the subregion. WRCOG supports legislative efforts that promote strategic land use and development practices that maintain and/or increase local control. Finally, to promote the safety and well-being of all residents in the subregion, WRCOG supports legislative proposals that broaden access to timely public safety assistance and to the justice system.

- Support legislation that requires additional transparency and communication in state and federal legislative and commission activities.
- Support legislation and legislative actions that require the Governor and the legislature to pass an on-time budget that does not rely on borrowing or taking from local governments.
- Support legislative actions that protect the rights of jurisdictions to plan and govern their own communities.
- Support legislation that would offer funding and assistance to enable jurisdictions to continue redevelopment activities.
- Support legislation that would restore funding to newly incorporated cities in Western Riverside County resulting from the loss of Motor Vehicle License Fee revenues.
- Oppose legislation that prevents a local government from entering into or negotiating a franchise agreement with a local service provider.
- Oppose legislation that reduces state funding for local activities but still requires local governments to maintain existing service levels and responsibilities.
- Oppose legislation that calls for additional state and/or federal mandates absent funding.
- Oppose legislation that seeks to take away local control and give more control to the State.
- Support legislation that provides ongoing state funding for mandated planning projects such as the Regional Housing Needs Assessment, Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS), General Plan Housing Element updates, and other planning initiatives under AB 32 and SB 375.
- Oppose legislation that creates restrictions on local control of land use and development.
- Oppose legislative actions or reform measures that penalize jurisdictions for non-compliance with state-mandated Housing Element update schedules.



Western Riverside Council of Governments Technical Advisory Committee

Staff Report

Subject: BEYOND Framework Fund Program Activities Update

Contact: Andrea Howard, Staff Analyst, howard@wrcog.cog.ca.us, (951) 955-8515

Date: February 16, 2017

The purpose of this item is to introduce the approved funding allocation formula for the BEYOND Framework Fund – Round II and notify members of upcoming funding opportunities through Round II of the BEYOND Program.

Requested Action:

1. Receive and file.
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Background

BEYOND is an economic development and sustainability local assistance funding program designed to enable member agencies to develop and implement plans and programs aimed at improving quality of life in Western Riverside County by addressing six critical factors of quality of life: economic development, water, education, environment, health, and transportation. More than 30 projects funded through Round I of BEYOND began in February 2016 and are scheduled to be completed by no later than August 31, 2017.

On June 24, 2017, the Executive Committee approved funding a second Round of BEYOND and expanding the Program to include two competitive funding categories in addition to the central pot of non-competitive funding. The funding for BEYOND comes from WRCOG's Fiscal Year 2015/2016 Agency Carryover Funds, which has been allocated as follows:

Agency Carryover Funds FY 16-17	
Contribution to WRCOG Agency Reserves	\$ 1,047,083.00
BEYOND Core - Round II	\$ 2,052,917.00
BEYOND Team- Regional Collaboration Set Aside	\$ 175,000.00
BEYOND Health- Healthy Communities Set Aside	\$ 75,000.00
Funding for WRCOG Agency Activities	\$ 700,000.00
Funding for Regional Economic Development Initiative	\$ 250,000.00
Total Funds Available	\$ 4,300,000.00

BEYOND Framework Fund – Round II Allocation

On January 9, 2017, the Executive Committee approved the ROUND II allocation formula for the fixed pot of BEYOND funding. The approved Round II formula applies a per-capita allocation that incrementally descends over six population tiers – meaning that the per capita allocation is greater for a jurisdiction's first resident than for their last – resulting in a proportional distribution across jurisdictions. Under this option, as with the formula used in Round I, each member agency is guaranteed a specified amount of funding that can be used for a

project, or multiple projects, which demonstrate consistency with any one (or more) of the WRCOG Sustainability Framework goal areas. The formula also establishes a minimum allocation for all member agencies. Attachment 1 illustrates the Round II formula and shows the allocation for each member agency.

Accessing BEYOND Round II Funding

WRCOG staff anticipate releasing the BEYOND Round II Guidelines and application materials in February 2017. As indicated above, there will be three distinct funding categories under the BEYOND umbrella exclusively available to WRCOG member agencies: “BEYOND Core,” “BEYOND Team,” and “BEYOND Health.”

“BEYOND Core” is the central category of non-competitive funding that is essentially a renewal of the Round I Program. A fixed amount of funding has been allocated to each of the WRCOG member agencies as detailed in Attachment 1. WRCOG will again employ a two-step application process beginning with a brief concept proposal to confirm project eligibility. Once a project has been approved in concept, staff will ask member agencies to complete a full application which will include a detailed scope of work, budget, and timeline.

“BEYOND Team” is a new funding stream under BEYOND designed to promote collaboration within the WRCOG subregion. To apply for these funds, two or more member agencies must jointly submit a project application.

“BEYOND Health” is another new funding stream under BEYOND specifically created to address the pernicious health challenges afflicting the subregion. Applicants will be able to apply specifically for BEYOND Health (see below for more details), or if funding for a health-related project is also being sought under BEYOND Core, member agencies may request to have that project considered for additional funding under BEYOND Health. There is no limit to the number of projects that can be funded through BEYOND Health; however, there is a maximum amount that each individual applicant can request from BEYOND Health of \$10,000, and the combined total ask for all BEYOND Health project applications may not exceed \$75,000.

To apply for the competitive funding available through BEYOND Team and BEYOND Health, member agencies will only submit a completed application and will **not** be required to submit a concept proposal. Once submitted, applications will be reviewed by a panel which will forward funding recommendations to the Administration & Finance Committee for final determination.

All applications must meet the minimum eligibility requirements pertaining to WRCOG’s Economic Development and Sustainability Framework and outlined in Attachment 2 to be considered for funding. The application, award notice, and Program timeline will be included in the Round II Program Guidelines to be released later this month.

Prior Actions:

<u>February 9, 2017:</u>	The Planning Directors’ Committee received report.
<u>January 26, 2017:</u>	The Finance Directors’ Committee received report.
<u>January 9, 2017:</u>	The Executive Committee 1) approved the tiered allocation formula to allocate BEYOND funding for Round II and subsequent funding rounds; and 2) increased the BEYOND Round II allocation by \$252,917.00 from \$1.8 million to \$2.05 million.

Fiscal Impact:

Funding for Round II of the BEYOND Framework Fund, has been programmed accordingly under the Fiscal Year 2016/2017 Agency Budget, in the General Fund.

Attachments:

1. Round II Funding Formula and Allocation.
2. BEYOND Round II Project Eligibility.

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BEYOND Framework Fund Program Activities Update

Attachment 1

Round II Funding Formula and Allocation

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BEYOND Allocation - Round II

Allocation Per Resident -
Population in Tier

Riverside County	Population 1/1/16	Tier 1 \$	Tier 2 \$	Tier 3 \$	Tier 4 \$	Tier 5 \$	Allocation - Min \$35K
Calimesa	8,289	8,289					\$ 35,000.00
Canyon Lake	10,681	10,000	681				\$ 39,488.29
Norco	26,896	10,000	16,896				\$ 58,135.54
Banning	30,834	10,000	20,834				\$ 62,664.24
Wildomar	35,168	10,000	25,168				\$ 67,648.34
San Jacinto	47,656	10,000	37,656				\$ 82,009.54
Lake Elsinore	61,006	10,000	39,999	11,007			\$ 92,959.24
Eastvale	63,162	10,000	39,999	13,163			\$ 94,576.24
Perris	73,722	10,000	39,999	23,723			\$ 102,496.24
Hemet	80,070	10,000	39,999	30,071			\$ 107,257.24
Menifee	89,004	10,000	39,999	39,005			\$ 113,957.74
Jurupa Valley	98,177	10,000	39,999	48,178			\$ 120,837.49
Temecula	109,064	10,000	39,999	49,999	9,066		\$ 126,736.24
Murrieta	113,795	10,000	39,999	49,999	13,797		\$ 129,101.74
Corona	164,659	10,000	39,999	49,999	49,999	14,662	\$ 150,868.24
Moreno Valley	205,383	10,000	39,999	49,999	49,999	55,386	\$ 161,049.24
*W. Unincorporated Coun	270,203	10,000	39,999	49,999	49,999	120,206	\$ 177,254.30
Riverside	324,696	10,000	39,999	49,999	49,999	174,699	\$ 190,877.49
Total Per Capita Allocation							\$ 1,912,917.31
EMWD							\$ 35,000.000
WMWD							\$ 35,000.000
Schools							\$ 35,000.000
Morongo							\$ 35,000.000
Subtotal							\$ 140,000.000
Grand Total							\$ 2,052,917.31

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BEYOND Framework Fund Program
Activities Update

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BEYOND Round II Project Eligibility

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BEYOND Round II Project Eligibility

Applicants to BEYOND Core and BEYOND Team must demonstrate how the proposed project(s) addresses one or more of the six goals articulated in WRCOG's Economic Development and Sustainability Framework (the Framework). Applicants to BEYOND Health must demonstrate how the proposed project(s) specifically addresses the Health goal articulated in the Framework.

The WRCOG Economic Development and Sustainability Framework, approved by the Executive Committee on December 3, 2012, can be downloaded here:

www.wrcog.cog.ca.us/community/sustainability, and the specific goals are listed below.

Economic Development:

- Goal ED-1: Vision and Branding: A common understanding of, and unified voice for, economic development needs, services, assets, and challenges.
- Goal ED-2: Subregional Capacity Building: A diversified, robust, and well-known array of economic development service providers supporting the growth and expansion of local businesses.
- Goal ED-3: Economic Development Activities: Effective and coordinated local and regional economic development activities.

Education:

- Goal E-1: New Partnerships: Unite with education and business leaders to increase the number of students who are college ready, enroll and graduate from college, and who achieve technical degrees that are in demand in Western Riverside County.
- Goal E-2: Education First Culture: Unite with education and business leaders to create an education first culture in Western Riverside County.
- Goal E-3: WRCOG Leadership: Integrate education into the WRCOG mission to improve partnerships between K–12 schools, colleges and universities, government, and businesses.

Health:

- Goal H-1: Health Care Access: Facilitate the conditions needed for a growing, viable, and integrated health care system in Western Riverside County.
- Goal H-2: Health Care Workforce: Advocate for a trained, home-grown workforce to serve the healthcare needs of Western Riverside County.
- Goal H-3: Healthy Environment: Support efforts of local jurisdictions, business, and regional government to improve the health of our region's environment.
- Goal H-4: Community Design: Facilitate local efforts to improve the opportunities and choices for a healthy and active lifestyle.
- Goal H-5: Implementation + Action: Facilitate local strategic planning that improves the health and wellness of residents and communities.



Transportation:

- Goal T-1: Transportation Programs: Continue to address regional transportation needs through ongoing collaboration and program administration.
- Goal T-2: Vehicle Miles Traveled: Reduce vehicle miles traveled and improve mobility for pedestrians, transit users, and bicyclists.
- Goal T-3: Goods Movement: Support efforts to improve the sustainable and efficient movement of goods through Western Riverside County.
- Goal T-4: Air Transportation: Maintain and improve air transportation access.

Water:

- Goal W-1: Agency Coordination: Advocate for and support regional, state, and federal initiatives pertinent to the mission of the Riverside County Water Task Force.
- Goal W-2: Water Reliability: Advocate for and support efforts of local water districts to ensure long-term reliability of water supply for Western Riverside County.
- Goal W-3: Water Quality: Preserve and improve regional water quality.
- Goal W-4: Water Efficiency: Serve as a communication link and information clearinghouse on water efficiency issues for the benefit of member agencies, businesses, and residents.

Energy / Environment:

- Goal EE-1: Energy Efficiency Programs: Develop and support programs to reduce energy use and GHG emissions.
- Goal EE-2: Climate Action Planning: Provide assistance to the region on climate action planning and implementation.
- Goal EE-3: Air Quality Improvements: Partner with state and regional agencies to advocate and support efforts for cleaner air.
- Goal EE-4: Environment Conservation and Enhancement: Support regional plans and programs to maintain or improve the quality of the natural environment.
- Goal EE-5: Local Food Production: Advocate for and support regional efforts to maintain access to local food sources.



Western Riverside Council of Governments

Technical Advisory Committee

Staff Report

Subject: Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee (TUMF) Program Activities Update

Contact: Christopher Gray, Director of Transportation, gray@wrcog.coq.ca.us, (951) 955-8304

Date: February 16, 2017

The purpose of this item is to provide Committee members an update on the progress of the 2017 TUMF Nexus Study Update and present information regarding recent discussions related to potential management and administrative changes to the TUMF Program.

Requested Action:

1. Approve the Administration & Finance Committee recommendation to the Executive Committee to defer taking action on any potential changes to the TUMF Program until after adoption of the 2017 Nexus Study.

WRCOG's Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee (TUMF) Program is a regional fee program designed to provide transportation and transit infrastructure that mitigates the impact of new growth in Western Riverside County. Each of WRCOG's member jurisdictions and the March JPA participates in the Program through an adopted ordinance, collects fees from new development, and remits the fees to WRCOG. WRCOG, as administrator of the TUMF Program, allocates TUMF to the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC), groupings of jurisdictions – referred to as TUMF Zones – based on the amounts of fees collected in these groups, and the Riverside Transit Agency (RTA). The TUMF Nexus Study is intended to satisfy the requirements of California Government Code Chapter 5 Section 66000-66008 (also known as the California Mitigation Fee Act) which governs imposing development impact fees in California. The Study establishes a nexus or reasonable relationship between the development impact fee's use and the type of project for which the fee is required. The TUMF Program is a development impact fee and is subject to the California Mitigation Fee Act (AB 1600, Govt. Code § 6600), which mandates that a Nexus Study be prepared to demonstrate a reasonable and rational relationship between the fee and the proposed improvements for which the fee is used. AB 1600 also requires the regular review and update of the Program and Nexus Study to ensure the validity of the Program. The last TUMF Program Update was completed in October 2009.

TUMF Nexus Study Update

Staff, in coordination with TUMF consultant Parsons Brinckerhoff, is preparing the draft 2017 TUMF Nexus Study, which is expected to be released for review and comment in February.

Draft 2017 TUMF Nexus Study: Since the action to delay finalizing the Nexus Study in September 2015, staff and the TUMF consultant have reviewed and updated all components of the technical document, which includes the following:

- Growth Forecast – Adopted in April 2016 by the SCAG Regional Council, the updated demographic data shows that the subregion will add more than 650,000 people, 250,000 households and 400,000 jobs

- TUMF Network – WRCOG and member jurisdictions undertook a comprehensive review of the facilities included in the TUMF Program to ensure that all facilities warrant inclusion in the Program. Additionally, during the draft 2015 Nexus Study comment period, WRCOG received a comment letter identifying facilities in the TUMF Network that were completed. Staff retained a consultant to review each identified facility and adjusted the TUMF Network accordingly to remove any completed facility or portion of facility.
- Fee calculation methodology – WRCOG and the TUMF consultant used a Vehicle Miles Travel (VMT) approach for fee calculations of residential and non-residential land-use types. This approach has not previously been utilized in past editions of the Nexus Study.
- Data sources – In response to the release of the draft Nexus Study in summer 2015, WRCOG received comments regarding the use of outdated studies for the employee to square footage conversion. Staff reviewed requested studies and included more recent data from SCAG and Riverside County.

A flowchart of major changes to the TUMF Nexus Study is included as Attachment 1. The update to every component of the TUMF Nexus Study resulted in the draft fee schedule presented, which with the exception of the retail land use fee, shows modest increases to the remaining land use types compared to the current fees, which have been in place since 2009.

Staff has received comments from member jurisdictions on what specific components led to the changes in the proposed fee schedule, in particular the non-residential land uses, compared to the draft 2015 draft Nexus Study, which contained fee increases more than fifty percent than the current fee for some uses. The major methodological change was the use of a VMT approach for the fee calculations. Staff had previously received comments from stakeholders regarding the trip lengths of residential uses versus non-residential uses.

With recent changes in state statutory requirements, more specifically the signing into law of SB 743, which changed the way that transportation impacts are to be assessed in order to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act, staff and the consultant reviewed options to be consistent with the change. Staff determined that the trip end-based approach to determine the relative share of trips by purpose should be updated to also follow a VMT-based methodology to more accurately account for the relative impacts that trips of differing purposes have on the transportation system in Western Riverside County. Therefore, the methodology for determining the relative share of trips by purpose, which is used as the basis to determine the relative distribution of traffic impacts between residential and non-residential uses, was revised from a trip-based approach to a VMT-based approach.

Draft 2017 Nexus Study Schedule: Staff has started presenting the key components, along with the proposed fee schedule, from the Nexus Study to the WRCOG committee structure. Additionally, staff is available to meet individually with member jurisdictions and stakeholders regarding the Program update upon request. The draft 2017 Nexus Study will be available for review and comment through the month of February and staff will be presenting the components of the study and recommendation by the TUMF Nexus Study Ad Hoc Committee to the WRCOG committees as scheduled below.

The tentative schedule of remaining tasks for the Nexus Study is as follows:

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| January 2017: | TUMF Nexus Study Ad Hoc Committee recommends a phase-in option for review by the Committee structure to finalize the Nexus Study. |
| February 2017: | WRCOG releases a draft Nexus Study for review and comment by stakeholders (the draft Nexus Study comment period will be 45 days). |
| February 8, 2017: | Administration & Finance Committee receives report on the draft Nexus Study and recommendation by the Ad Hoc Committee. |
| February 16, 2017: | Technical Advisory Committee receives report on the draft Nexus Study and recommendation by the Ad Hoc Committee. |

March 2017:	WRCOG responds to any comment(s) received during the 45-day comment period of the draft Nexus Study.
March 6, 2017:	Executive Committee conducts review of the draft Nexus Study and recommendation by the Ad Hoc Committee.
March 8, 2017:	Administration & Finance Committee conducts review of the draft Nexus Study and recommendation by the Ad Hoc Committee.
March 16, 2017:	Technical Advisory Committee conducts review of the draft Nexus Study.
April 3, 2017:	Executive Committee conducts second review of the draft Nexus Study.
April 12, 2017:	Administration & Finance Committee makes a recommendation on the draft Nexus Study.
April 20, 2017:	Technical Advisory Committee reviews recommendation on the draft Nexus Study.
May 1, 2017:	Executive Committee reviews recommendation on the draft Nexus Study and takes action.
July / August 2017:	Any change in fee goes into effect (depending on each member jurisdiction's approval of TUMF Ordinance / Resolutions).

TUMF Nexus Study Ad Hoc Committee: In September 2016, WRCOG convened an Ad Hoc Committee with the goal of ultimately selecting a preferred fee schedule option to recommend to the Committee structure for finalizing the Nexus Study. The Ad Hoc Committee was provided with all components of the Nexus Study, including TUMF Network facilities, growth forecast data, and a fee comparison study. During meetings held in late 2016, WRCOG informed the Ad Hoc Committee that staff, in coordination with member jurisdictions, had conducted a comprehensive review of the TUMF Network in order to ensure all facilities met the criteria for inclusion in the TUMF Program. The Ad Hoc Committee directed staff to provide fee phase-in options for review.

The Ad Hoc Committee met for a third time on January 23, 2017, to review a set of potential phase-in options to the fee schedule resulting from the revised TUMF Nexus Study. The Ad Hoc Committee has recommended that the various WRCOG committees (including the Public Works Committee, the Technical Advisory Committee, the Administration & Finance Committee, and ultimately the Executive Committee) review and consider implementing a 2-year freeze and subsequent 2-year phase in for the retail fee, plus a 2-year single-family residential phase-in option for implementation. The Ad Hoc Committee also discussed the implications of any phase-in option that is approved and how any loss to the Program would be made up. Revenue loss resulting from any phase-in can be made up through various options, including project savings in the delivery of TUMF facilities. It is important to note that losses created by reduced fees cannot be made up by increasing fees on other land uses, nor can they be captured by way of future Nexus Studies. The proposed fee schedule based on the Ad Hoc Committee's recommendation is as follows:

Responsibilities for Administering the Western Riverside County TUMF Program

Since 2003, WRCOG has administered the TUMF Program as a cooperative effort involving member jurisdictions, the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC), the Riverside Transit Agency (RTA), and the Riverside County Conservation Agency (RCA). A fundamental tenet of the Program is in how the Program is administered; there is a clear and purposeful division between overall Program administration responsibilities (which rest with WRCOG) project prioritization and programming responsibilities (which rest with WRCOG's TUMF partners – member jurisdictions, RTA and RCTC). WRCOG's Program management responsibilities are focused on preparing the technical Nexus Study, fee ordinances, credit agreements, fee calculation handbook and Administrative Plan, for example. Project programming expertise rests with WRCOG's TUMF partners, the member jurisdictions, RCTC and RTA; those entities determine how to expend TUMF Program revenues.

In its administrative role, WRCOG has continually fielded questions and requests regarding the TUMF Program. In most cases, these requests have been addressed through changes to the TUMF Administrative Plan, Nexus Study updates, and new policies.

During the most recent process to update the Nexus Study, WRCOG received additional requests to evaluate the TUMF Program and consider whether it is appropriate to modify elements of the Program to better serve member jurisdiction needs. Some examples of these requests include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Develop a more streamlined process to reimburse member jurisdiction;
- Evaluating differences in the CVAG TUMF compared to the WRCOG TUMF;
- Develop a more formalized approach to prioritize projects;
- Revisit projects eligible for reimbursement through TUMF; and
- Revisit the Zone system.

On January 11, 2017, Riverside County Supervisor Kevin Jeffries suggested at the monthly RCTC meeting that there "...should be a discussion with WRCOG to have RCTC take over the TUMF Program." The Supervisor suggested that the matter should be discussed with WRCOG and pros and cons should be evaluated. On January 26, 2017, RCTC directed its staff to undertake an exercise to evaluate the potential transfer.

There has been considerable turnover among both member staff and elected officials since the Program's inception in 2003, and thus the opportunities to educate officials regarding the historical and purposeful construct of the Program, including administrative staffing, programmatic, and other aspects of the Program are always welcome.

Staff's experience is that any potential changes to the TUMF Program should be considered carefully, given the magnitude of the Program. Additionally, the implementation of the TUMF occurs through Ordinances adopted by member jurisdictions, Credit Agreements, and Reimbursement Agreements, all of which may have to be updated or revised, depending on any changes made to the Program. For example, WRCOG is currently a party to hundreds of agreements related to TUMF credits or jurisdiction reimbursements, which could be affected by any changes.

While RCTC staff now has direction to undertake an evaluation of the TUMF Program within Western Riverside County (the Commission's action excluded examination of the Coachella Valley TUMF Program), WRCOG believed that it was prudent to ask its members if there is a desire to have staff engage in this effort as well.

At its February 8, 2017, meeting, the Administration & Finance Committee recommended that the Technical Advisory Committee should defer making any potential changes to the TUMF Program until after adoption of the 2017 Nexus Study.

Prior Actions:

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| <u>February 9, 2017:</u> | The Public Works Committee received report. |
| <u>February 8, 2017:</u> | The Administration & Finance Committee recommended that the Technical Advisory Committee should defer making any potential changes to the TUMF Program until after adoption of the 2017 Nexus Study. |
| <u>February 6, 2017:</u> | The Executive Committee received report. |

Fiscal Impact:

TUMF activities are included in the Agency's adopted Fiscal Year 2016/2017 Budget under the Transportation Department.

Attachment:

1. TUMF Nexus Study Update Flowchart.

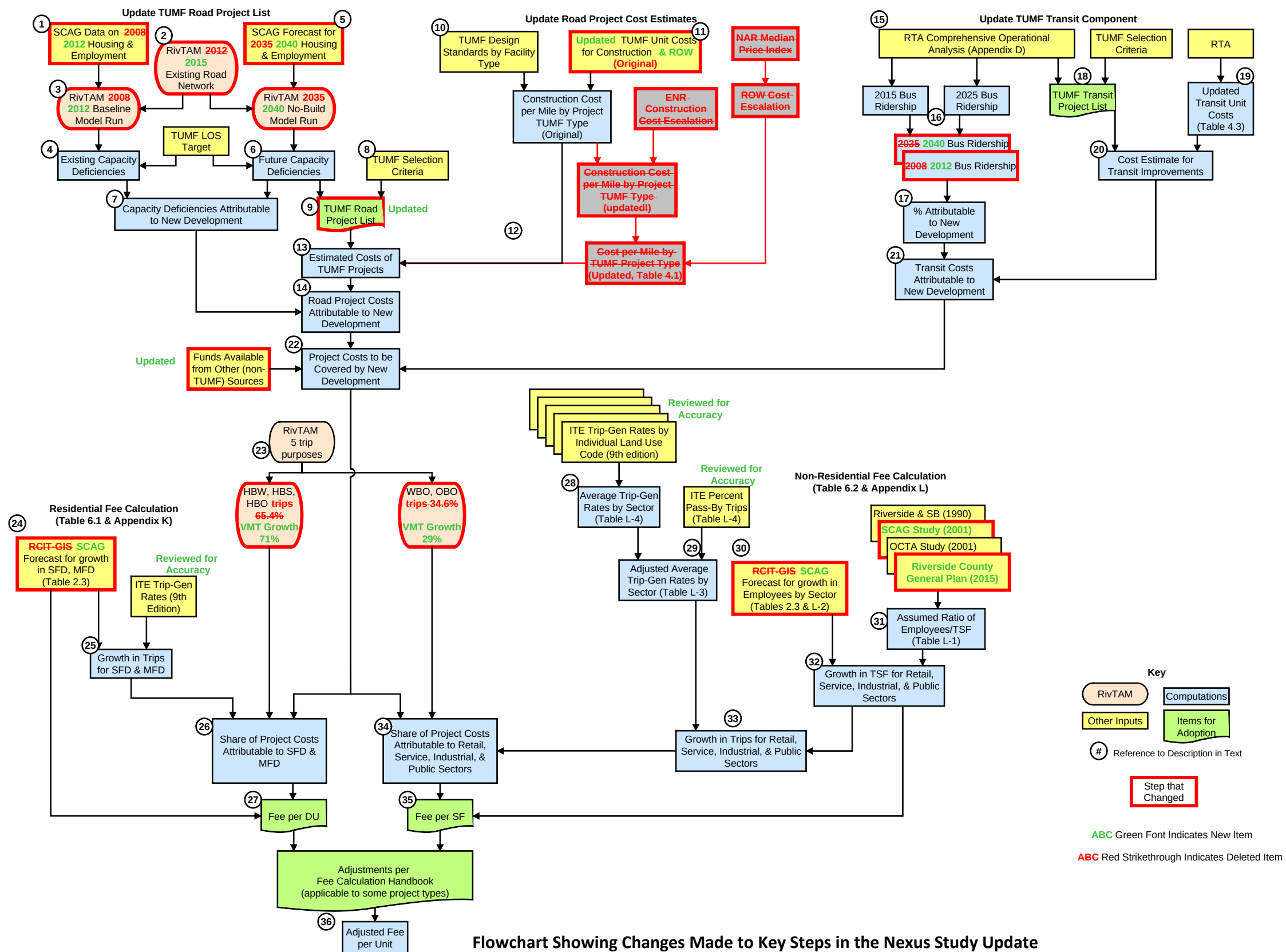
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Transportation Uniform Mitigation
Fee (TUMF) Program Activities
Update

Attachment 1

TUMF Nexus Study Update
Flowchart

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Western Riverside Council of Governments Technical Advisory Committee

Staff Report

Subject: Community Choice Aggregation Program Activities Update

Contact: Barbara Spoonhour, Director of Energy and Environmental Programs,
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Date: February 16, 2017

The purpose of this item is to provide the Committee with an update on WRCOG's efforts to examine the feasibility of a Community Choice Aggregation Program for either the subregion, Riverside County, or two Counties (Riverside and San Bernardino).

Requested Action:

1. Receive and file.

Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) allows cities and counties to aggregate their buying power to secure electrical energy supply contracts on a region-wide basis. In California, CCA (Assembly Bill 117) was chaptered in September 2002 and allows for local jurisdictions to form a CCA for this purpose. Several local jurisdictions throughout California are pursuing formation of CCAs as a way to lower energy costs and/or provide "greener" energy supply. WRCOG's Executive Committee has directed staff to pursue the feasibility of Community Choice Aggregation for Western Riverside County. WRCOG, the San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG), now known as San Bernardino Council of Governments (SBCOG), and Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) have funded a joint, two-county feasibility study in response to the Executive Committee's direction; the study has recently been completed.

CCA Activities Update

In January 2016, staff received direction from the Executive Committee to pursue a Feasibility Study for the potential formation of a CCA Program. To achieve economies of scale and resource efficiencies, San Bernardino Associated Governments, now known as San Bernardino Council of Governments (SBCOG), and the Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) joined WRCOG's effort to have a multi-county study completed. To complete the Feasibility Study, WRCOG entered into an agreement with BKi.

On February 6, 2017, the Executive Committee accepted the final draft of the Study and directed staff to release a Request for Proposals (RFP) for CCA Contract Services. The Study concluded that the development and implementation of a CCA at a number of geographic scales and with a number of conservative assumptions will yield savings to CCA participants (residential and business consumers of electricity).

On February 8, 2017, the Administration & Finance Committee received a presentation on various governance structures and was in agreement to move forward with a One County CCA for Riverside county that involves CVAG and WRCOG providing staff support, but will keep the door open so that jurisdictions within San Bernardino County and/or Riverside County unincorporated could participate if they chose. (More detail on the governance structures that were examined is provided below.) The Committee also created an Ad Hoc Committee comprised of the WRCOG Chair, Mayor Pro Tem Ben Benoit, Councilmember Brian Tisdale, Councilmember Bonnie Wright, and Councilmember Laura Roughton to work with WRCOG staff, legal

counsel, and perhaps a similar CVAG Ad Hoc Committee (if formed by CVAG) and staff to evolve this potential governance structure further.

The governance structure will outline who is going to make the decisions for the CCA; it is not necessarily related to a CCA's operational structure, which will involve operations (i.e., internal staff, consultants, or a combination of the two). To assist with the development of the operational structure, staff will be releasing a RFP on behalf of WRCOG, CVAG, and SBCOG to gain input and proposals from the private sector regarding costs associated with operating a CCA. The RFP will include a Scope of Services for a comprehensive list of tasks necessary for successful implementation of a CCA. Proposers will be asked to address how they will work with each geographical area (WRCOG, CVAG, and SBCOG) to meet the needs of ongoing CCA operations after launch and how the Proposer's approach would be economically and operationally advantageous to each entity.

Governance structures: Staff has developed a number of different CCA governance scenarios and is providing a "benefits and constraints" that was presented at the February Administration & Finance (A&F) Committee. While the A&F Committee has provided direction on moving forward with a One County CCA, staff wanted to provide members of the Technical Advisory Committee an overview of the scenarios.

Outside of the individual jurisdictional scenario (where a single city or county operates its own CCA for that jurisdiction only), a joint powers authority (JPA) must be formed or exist. CPUC language is clear that if more than one jurisdiction desires to combine its energy load to form a CCA, it must be done through a JPA structure. Through the development of the JPA, the voting structure would be determined.

Two County Scenario - One JPA is formed that represents all participating jurisdictions within Riverside and San Bernardino Counties. Governance (voting structure) could range from "one member = one vote" to "one region = one vote."

*Option 1: The JPA is formed **with** COG involvement.*

- Benefits: Large size of CCA provides best economies of scale.
- Provides highest cost savings to the consumer.
- Lower implementation costs since it would utilize COG resources.
- Constraints: Potentially the "bulkiest" governance structure, given that up to 48 members from two counties could constitute the CCA governance board.
- Governing Board would need to decide how workload among the COG's would be shared, unless determined to assign responsibilities to a single COG.

*Option 2: The JPA is formed **without** COG involvement.*

- Benefits: Large size of CCA provides best economies of scale.
- Provides highest cost savings to the consumer.
- Constraints: Organization starts from "scratch"; who takes the lead to pull this together?
- Possible higher implementation costs given it might not utilize any resources from any of the member jurisdictions or from the COGs (i.e., staff, office space, computers, etc.).
- Potentially the "bulkiest" governance structure, given that up to 48 members from two counties could constitute the CCA governance board.

One County Scenario - Separate JPAs are formed for each of the Counties.

*Option 1: The JPAs are formed **with** COG involvement.*

- Benefits:
- Provides economies of scale but less than the two-county models.
 - Provides savings to the consumer but at a lower rate than the two-county models.
 - Lower implementation costs since it would utilize existing COG resources.
 - Greater local control compared to the two-county model.
- Constraints:
- For Riverside County, new Governing Board would need to decide how workload among the COG's would be shared, unless it is determined to assign responsibilities to a single COG.

*Option 2: The JPAs are formed **without** COG involvement.*

- Benefits:
- Provides economies of scale but lower than the two-county models.
 - Provides savings to the consumer but at a lower rate than the two-county models.
 - Greater local control compared to the two-county model.
- Constraints:
- Possible higher implementation costs given it might not utilize any resources from any of the member jurisdictions or from the COGs (i.e., staff, office space, computers, etc.).

Individual COG Scenario – three separate JPAs would be formed for the Western Riverside, Coachella Valley and San Bernardino areas

*Option 1: The JPAs are formed **with** COG involvement.*

For WRCOG, there are two ways to implement this scenario. WRCOG could amend its current JPA or WRCOG could create a new JPA.

- Benefits:
- Provides economies of scale but lower than the one or two-county models.
 - Provides savings to the consumer but at a lower rate than the one or two-county models.
 - Provides more local control on Program design than the one or two-county models.
 - Governing Board would be consistent with the WRCOG Executive Committee.
 - Lower implementation costs since it could utilize existing WRCOG resources and committee structures, etc.
 - Does not create another "layer of governance."
- Constraints:
- Some might not like WRCOG or the other COGs taking on additional responsibilities.

*Option 2: The JPAs are formed **without** COG involvement.*

- Benefits:
- Provides economies of scale but lower than the one or two-county models.
 - Provides savings to the consumer but at a lower rate than the one or two-county models.

More local control on Program design than the one or two-county models.

Constraints: Possible higher implementation costs given it might not utilize any resources from any of the member jurisdictions or from the COGs (i.e., staff, office space, computers, etc.).

Starts from scratch; who takes lead to pull this together (all staffing and related start-up)?

Could be viewed as being structurally duplicative of WRCOG ("another layer of bureaucracy / governance).

Individual Jurisdiction Scenario - A single jurisdiction establishes and administers its own CCA.

Benefits: Likely the fastest to implement.

Provides highest level of local control.

Constraints: Possible that overall economies of scale compared to larger-scale models might not be as great.

Would having multiple CCA's in a subregion be confusing?

Next Steps: The following are steps that need to occur before a CCA can be operational. These steps could take anywhere from 8 to 12 months to complete and include:

1. Release RFP for CCA implementation assistance
2. Develop JPA agreement
3. Outreach to the communities and jurisdictions on JPA agreement
4. CCA Governing Board adopt Resolution of Intent and File Implementation Plan with CPUC
5. Select power supply and data management vendor
6. File Notice of Intent with SCE
7. Arrange financing of start-up costs
8. SCE data testing
9. Opt-out notice – 1 and 2
10. Launch phase 1
11. Opt-out notices – 3 and 4

Prior Action:

February 8, 2017: The Administration & Finance Committee 1) directed staff to pursue a One County scenario, leaving the door open for future inclusion for the Counties of Riverside and San Bernardino and 2) convened an Ad Hoc Committee consisting of Chairman Benoit, Councilmember Brian Tisdale, Councilmember Bonnie Wright, and Councilmember Laura Roughton to work with WRCOG staff, legal counsel, and CVAG staff to develop a governance structure outline that will be discussed at a future meeting.

Fiscal Impact:

WRCOG's portion for Phase 1 is estimated to be \$130,000 to cover the costs of the CCA Feasibility Study, SCE data request, and WRCOG staffing. The costs for this will come from existing carryover funds and will be reflected in an upcoming Quarterly Budget Amendment.

Attachment:

None.



Western Riverside Council of Governments

Technical Advisory Committee

Staff Report

Subject: Regional Homelessness Dialogue

Contact: Jennifer Ward, Director of Government Relations, ward@wrcog.coq.ca.us, (951) 955-0186

Date: February 16, 2017

The purpose of this item is to provide Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) members with a presentation on the Regional Homelessness Statement of Principles and receive feedback and direction from TAC Members, and to continue discussion on whether there is a role for WRCOG in the regional approach to addressing homelessness in Western Riverside County.

Requested Action:

1. Discuss and provide direction.

WRCOG is participating in the ongoing regional dialogue on the challenges facing local jurisdictions related to homelessness in Riverside County and facilitating the sharing of information regarding solutions to this challenge through the TAC.

Background

WRCOG staff are participating in numerous regional discussions on the topic of homelessness in Riverside County including the Southwest Riverside County Regional Homelessness Alliance, the WRCOG informal TAC Subcommittee on Homelessness, and ongoing conversations with the County of Riverside, and the Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) Homelessness Committee.

These regional discussions have been fruitful in terms of providing staff with a greater understanding of the challenge facing jurisdictions in addressing homelessness as well as the existing resources and initiatives dedicated to providing solutions. Staff have also invited numerous speakers to address the TAC regarding homelessness, and will continue to do so on a regular basis. The intention of the February 16, 2017, TAC presentation is to collect feedback and direction from Committee members regarding adoption of a regionally-supported "Statement of Principles" on homelessness.

Proposed Statement of Principles: The TAC Subcommittee on Homelessness, which currently includes the Cities of Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Menifee, Murrieta, Riverside, and Temecula, and the County of Riverside, recently drafted a Statement of Principles, provided as Attachment 1, which would serve as a collective identification of both the challenges associated with serving the homeless population in Riverside County and the strategies that can be employed to address these challenges. The major components of the draft Statement of Principles can be generally categorized as follows:

1. Standardize ordinances for panhandling, shopping carts, camping and trespassing
2. Engage homeless and connect to resources using multi-disciplinary teams
3. Provide services that meet the needs of homeless
4. Advertise local resources
5. Participate in broad, community-focused educational marketing campaign

6. Participate in Riverside County Homeless Point in Time Count
7. Utilize the Coordinated Entry System (CES)
8. Identify affordable housing opportunities
9. Seek permanent and diverse funding stream
10. Encourage responsible compassion when helping homeless

Recognizing there are many existing agencies from the county, city, state, federal, public safety, non-profit, faith-based, and community sectors that already provide leadership on these topics, staff anticipate there could be various levels of involvement and roles for WRCOG to play in addressing some these principles. Staff are seeking input from WRCOG member agencies in determining the most appropriate and effective next steps.

After receiving feedback and direction from the TAC, staff would like to present the Statement of Principles to the Executive Committee for consideration by those members as a way to encourage the jurisdictions in WRCOG to collectively support this broad list of observations on homelessness. Any comments or feedback on the Statement of Principles should be emailed to Jennifer Ward at ward@wrcog.coq.ca.us or Moises Lopez at mlopez@riversideca.gov.

The Southwest Regional Homelessness Alliance's has also adopted a Homeless Charter, which includes many of the same principles, provided for reference as Attachment 2.

Marketing Materials: Another topic that will be discussed at the February 16, 2017, TAC meeting is a proposal for developing more uniform, widely used, public outreach messages and educational materials on homelessness. Staff is requesting that if a jurisdiction currently uses any messages, flyers, or other marketing materials to raise awareness about resources for the homeless, or about how community members can help, please bring copies of these materials to the February TAC meeting or email them to Jennifer Ward at ward@wrcog.coq.ca.us in advance of the meeting.

Samples of marketing materials related to homelessness provided by the Cities of Riverside and Temecula are provided below:

Riverside:

- Riverside Ending Homelessness website: <http://www.endhomeless.info/>
- Homeless Services & Resources: <http://www.endhomeless.info/pdf/Homeless-Guide.pdf>
- Walk to End Homelessness (April 8, 2017) : <http://www.endhomeless.info/walk.asp>
- Ending Homelessness and Give to Positive Change Posters – Attachment 3

Temecula:

- Door Hangars – Attachment 4
- Resource Guide – Attachment 4
- Responsible Compassion Program Q & A and Talking Points – Attachment 4

Prior Action:

None.

Fiscal Impact:

This item is informational only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact.

Attachments:

1. Statement of Principles on Homelessness.
2. Southwest Regional Homeless Charter.

3. Riverside Homeless Resources Marketing Materials.
4. Temecula Homeless Resources Marketing Materials.

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Regional Homelessness Dialogue

Attachment 1

Statement of Principles on Homelessness

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Riverside County Regional Homelessness Statement of Principles

Introduction:

According to the 2016 homeless Point in time count, the County of Riverside has 1,351 unsheltered homeless individuals living on the streets and 814 living in shelters. The total homeless population of 2,165 reflects a 12% decrease from the 2015 point in time count of 2,470. The reduction is attributed to several factors, including an improving economy, lower unemployment rates and a renewed effort to permanently house homeless veterans and the chronically homeless.

The County of Riverside is not unlike many counties and cities across the nation struggling to address the issue of homelessness. While the number of homeless in the County has continued a gradual but steady decrease, the perception is that the issue has worsened. This perception is a result of the “visible” one-third of the homeless population that continue to decline services. Homelessness is not a crime, it knows no political affiliation and is not concerned with jurisdictional delineations. To better address this challenge, a regional approach is needed. Working collaboratively with the County of Riverside a plan can be developed that ensures each city is doing its part to actively address homelessness.

Regional Commitment:

Each city in the county is committed to the following:

1. Standardize ordinances for panhandling, shopping carts, camping and trespassing
 - Makes it easier to enforce these laws consistently (throughout the region)
2. Engage the local homeless population and provide connections to local resources
 - Utilize multi-disciplinary teams that include service providers, faith-based/non-profit organizations law enforcement, code enforcement, etc. to address local homelessness issues as locally as possible
3. Provide services that meet the needs of the local homeless population to help balance the provision of services across the County
4. Advertise local resources for the local homeless population
 - Identify local available resources and submit information to the 211 Volunteer Center
 - Provide local resource guide handouts
5. Participate in a broad community-focused educational marketing campaign to highlight effective ways to help the local homeless population
 - Use consistent messaging and themes throughout the County
 - Advertise on digital boards and local media

Please email questions, comments, or feedback to Moises Lopez at mlopez@riversideca.gov.

6. Participate in the Riverside County Homeless Point in Time Count
 - Having an accurate count enables our community (and region) to be eligible for federal and state funding for homeless services. The count helps us to better understand the demographics and needs of those experiencing homelessness in our community, and helps to ensure a more equitable distribution of resources to meet the needs of the different populations.
7. Utilize the Coordinated Entry System (CES)
 - Coordinated entry ensures that all people experiencing a housing crisis have fair and equal access, are quickly identified, assessed for, referred, and connected to housing and assistance based on their strengths and needs
 - CES Assessments can be conducted by the following partners in your community: Outreach workers, law enforcement personnel, code enforcement personnel, library and park and recreation center staff, faith based organizations and non-profit organizations
 - CES Assessment Trainings will be provided by the County of Riverside University Health Systems Behavioral Health
8. Identify housing opportunities that are affordable in the local community
 - Identify housing opportunities
 - Identify funding resources
 - Incentivize the development of housing opportunities that are affordable (i.e., amend a development standard or a modification of the Zoning Code)
 - Partner with developers and property owners/landlords
9. Work towards the development and benefit of a permanent and diverse funding stream for homeless services and affordable housing uses throughout the region
10. Encourage faith-based and non-profit organizations to be responsible and compassionate when helping homeless individuals and families without harming them
 - Assist faith-based and non-profit organizations navigate homelessness in your community
 - Encourage faith-based and non-profit organizations to be part of a broad and coordinated regional effort to leverage resources and maximize impact, rather than engage in singular short-term solutions

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Southwest Regional Homeless
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MISSION STATEMENT:

The mission of the Regional Homeless Alliance is to develop a collaborative partnership that evaluates and addresses the complex issues of homelessness from a regional perspective and provides coordinated homeless outreach services utilizing public, private and non-profit sector resources.

Purpose and Vision:

To increase housing opportunities to individuals, families and veterans experiencing homelessness while maintaining an effective homeless prevention program.

Goals:

#1	Create a nationally recognized regional collaboration based on proven best practices, such as Solutions for Change.	
		• Provide a monthly forum to discuss homeless issues and community needs
		• Present before each City Council in the region ○ Adoption of resolutions that commits to the principles of the Regional Homeless Alliance (RHA). ○ Encourage each city to add a provisions to their legislative platform regarding the RHA.
		• Develop a white paper through research of the causes of homelessness (paying particular attention to prevention and intervention strategies) and identifying regionally appropriate and realistic solutions.
		• Work with 211 Community Connect to develop a countywide resource guide, with regional focus.
		• Perform an initial and on-going needs-assessment through a gap analysis study.

#2	Provide leadership to combat homelessness through advocacy, education and coordination with local communities and create a broad, coordinated system of care.	
		• Increase communication through service providers and government agencies.
		• Establish a collaborative and coordinated system of identifying, collecting and disseminating local resources for public safety personnel, social service program providers and general community distribution.
		• Increase the awareness of resources to the community-at-large.
		• Reduce transportation barriers for homeless and at-risk population.
		• More effectively involve and collaborate with service agencies, school districts, faith-based organizations, transportation agencies, local Chamber of Commerce, and other stakeholders.

#3	Refocus training for public safety and service organizations from ushering homeless away to steering them to resources.	
		• Increase public safety personnel's training to include knowledge of behavioral health issues and community-based resources, including diversion programs, based on the existing success of the County of Riverside and Temecula Sheriff's HOT team efforts.
		• Increase public safety and city's participation in the annual Point-In-Time count.
		• Actively bridge communication between sworn officers, park rangers, code enforcement and county probation officers.
		• Improve communication between public safety organizations and city/county officials regarding encampments and migration of homeless.

#4	Improve community awareness.	
		• Inform and educate the public about homelessness using responsible compassion. ○ Increase communication to the general public through coordinated messages on social media from local governments and service providers. ○ Work with local service providers and faith-based organizations to host community education/outreach events to provide a productive opportunity to address the concerns of NIMBYs.

#5	Develop a fundraising plan.	
		• Create a plan that forecasts the ultimate capital needs and annual operational costs, identifies potential donors/resources and task the appropriate agencies for completing.
		• Seek additional low-income housing opportunities through private, local, state and federal resources.
		• Facilitate community partnerships to identify and secure funding for expanding education and training programs that lead to employment.

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Riverside Homeless Resources
Marketing Materials

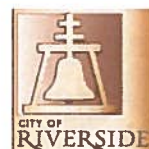
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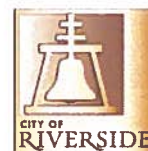


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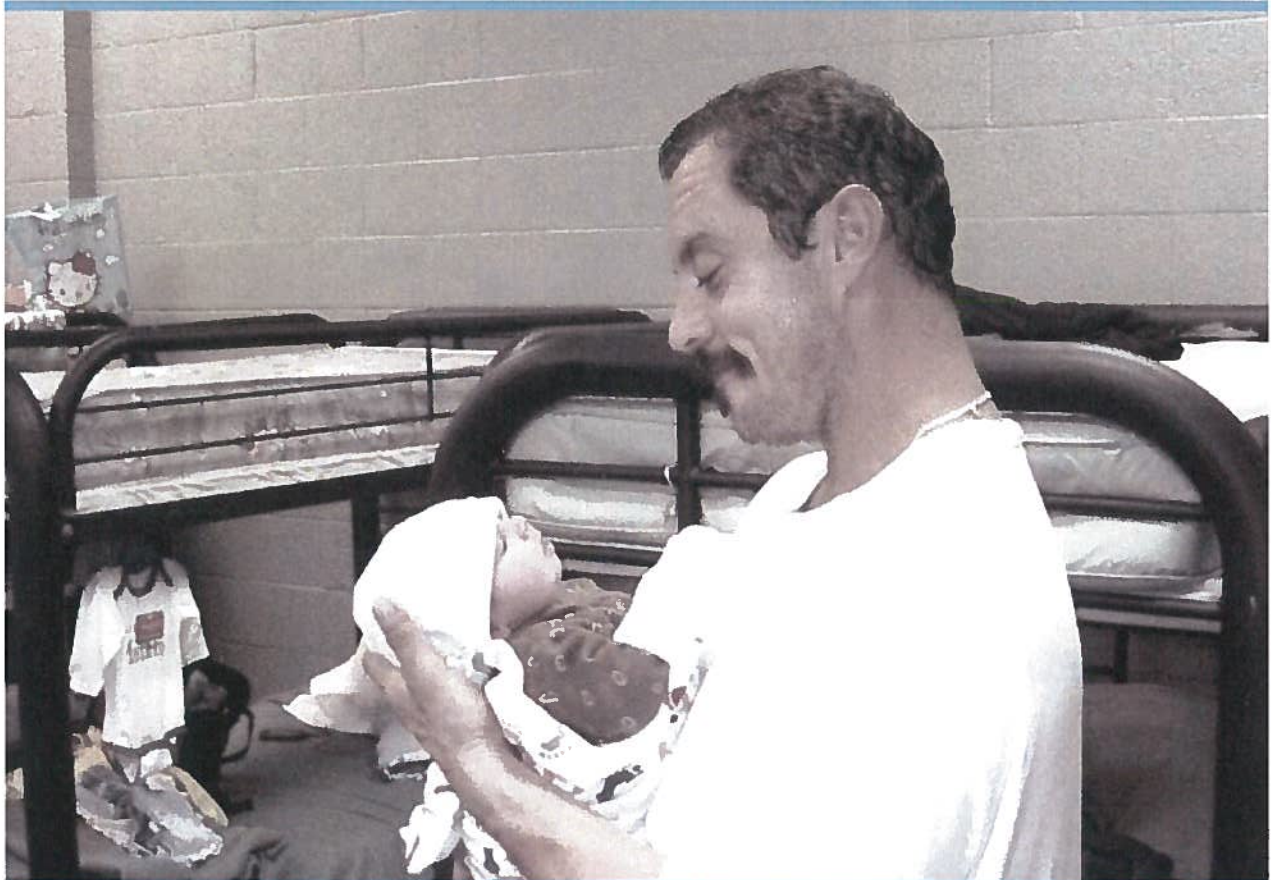


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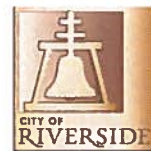


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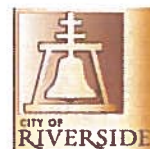
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RESPONSIBLE COMPASSION FOR THE HOMELESS



HOW YOU CAN HELP

LET YOUR GENEROSITY BE A PART OF THE SOLUTION

DO'S & DON'TS OF RESPONSIBLE COMPASSION

DO answer requests with a firm NO

DO report illegal activity by calling 911

DO treat homeless with respect

DO offer information where they can
get help, dialing 211

DO volunteer your time with a local
organizations helping homeless

DO make donations to organizations
helping homeless

DON'T encourage panhandling by
giving money, food, etc.

DON'T allow anyone to camp or
loiter on your property

DON'T assume you're making a difference
when you are giving; you may actually be
hurting, not helping.



For more info please visit website.com or call 951.123.4567

We Want To Help You

The City of Temecula and the Temecula Police Department believe in educating all citizens in our community. This pamphlet contains locations, telephone numbers and hours of operation for many resources within the County of Riverside. Services offered vary by location, but can include shelter, food, emergency services and cool/warm centers. Our focus is to provide responsible compassion to those in need and walk with them on a path to self-sufficiency. Our goal is that all citizens of Temecula have an excellent quality of life.

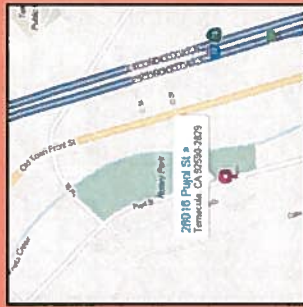
WARNING

Below you will find a list of items the Temecula Police Department will administer citations or arrest for:

- Theft of Recyclables
- Possession of a Shopping Cart
- Drinking alcoholic beverages in a park or on public property
- Illegal Camping
- Panhandling/Begging
- Loitering
- Trespassing
- Urinating in Public



Problem Oriented Policing



TEMECULA COMMUNITY PANTRY

28922 Pujol St
Temecula, CA 92590
(951) 676-8022
Monday, Wednesday
and Friday
9:30 am - 12:00 pm
Closed
Tuesday, Thursday,
Saturday and Sunday

The Temecula Pantry is a non-profit organization located in Temecula since 1986. We provide assistance to the homeless, very-low and low-income families in the Temecula Valley, Aguanga and Anza. We welcome all who come to the Pantry regardless of their race, sex, marital status, disability, religion or political affiliation.

For more information regarding your needs you can call

211

Or search the internet at:
www.connectriverside.org

For an emergency or immediate police or Fire response, call

9-1-1

for routine response, call
(951) 776-1099

Riverside County Department of
Public Social Services Homeless
Programs Unit
(951) 358-5637

This brochure is not intended as legal advice nor is the Temecula Police Department engaged in rendering legal advice or services. If legal assistance is required, the services of a competent attorney should be sought.



Public & Private
Social Services

Resource Guide



Temecula

Food:

Community Mission of Hope
27499 Commerce Center Drive,
Temecula, CA 92590
951-444-1404

Temecula Community Pantry
28922 Pujol Street
951-676-8022
(Open: M/W/F 9:30 am-12:00 pm)

Housing:
Project Touch
951-677-9661

Resources:
Department of Social Services
43264 Business Park Drive
Temecula, CA 92590
951-600-6500

Center for Employment Training
27941 Jefferson Ave.
951-296-3010 (cetweb.org)

Habitat for Humanity/Restore
27479 Enterprise Circle West
951-296-3362 (Habitat4inlandvalley.org)

Temecula Mental Health Services
41008 County Center Drive Building B #320
951-600-6355

Temecula Department of Social Services
43264 Business Park Drive Suite 102
951-600-6500

Murrieta

Food:

Community Food Pantry of Murrieta (St. Martha's)
38444 Sky Canyon Drive #170-190 951-677-6347
Hours: (M-Sat 9 am - 2 pm; Thu 8:30 - 10:30 am)

Lighthouse Food Pantry
38345 Innovation Court #101 951-698-7633
Hours: (2nd & 4th Thu 3:00-6:00 pm) Bring ID



Community Care Program
38801 Calistoga Drive 951-600-9112
Hours: (12 am-12 pm)

Resources:
Salvation Army

Lake Elsinore

Food:

HOPE
506 W. Minthorn St.
Lake Elsinore, CA 92530 (951) 245-7510
Hours: Tue, Wed, Thr 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

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Food:

Community Pantry
521 N. San Jacinto 951-929-1101
Hours: (Mon-Thu 9:30-11:30 am)

Resources:

Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church
780 South State Street 951-924-9964
Call for appointment: 951-929-6131

Valley Restart Center
200 East Menlo 951-766-7476

Perris/Moreno Valley

Food:

St. Christopher Church
25075 Cottonwood Ave 951-924-1968
Hours: (Mon 1-3 pm)

Resources:

Perris Valley Family Resource Center
2055 N. Perris Blvd Suite C-1 951-443-1158
Hours (Tue & Thu 9:30 am-1 pm)

Lutheran Social Services
24310 Myers Ave. 951-656-6020
Hours: 9:00 am- 4:00 pm

PW Enhancement Center
24490 Sunnymead Blvd. Suite 107 951-616-1628
Hours: (Mon & Wed. 12:00-3:00 pm)

God's Helping Hand
13958 Old Highway 215 951-653-2529
Catholic Charities - Moreno Valley Regional Office
23623 Sunnymead Blvd. Suite E 951-924-9964
Hours: (Mon-Fri 8:30 am-4:30 pm) Closed: 12-1pm

Riverside

Abandoned Men & Women Ministries

3560/3562 Chestnut Street 951-965-3190
Hours: (Mon-Fri 7 am-7 pm; Sat. 8 am-6 pm)
At Fairmont Park (Thu & Fri 3:30-5pm)

Path of Life Ministries
2840 Hulen Place 951-462-9822
Hours (Mon-Fri 1-5 pm)
Shelter Hours (5:30pm-10:30 am)

Riverside Homeless Outreach Team
951-826-2200

Operation Safehouse
9685 Hayes Street
951-351-4418

Other Areas

***Banning Church of the Nazarene**
500 N. 8th Street 951-849-5618
Hours: (Thu 6:30-11:30 am)

***Coachella Valley Rescue Mission**
47518 Van Buren St, Indio 760-347-3512
Hours (24hrs/day/7 days/week)

***Corona Norco Rescue Mission**
420 W. Harrison Street, Corona 951-278-2215

***Martha's Kitchen & Village**
83791 Date Ave. Indio 760-347-4741
Hours (24hrs/day/7 days/week)

***Desert Horizon Transitional Housing**
400 South Farrell Drive Suite B205
Palm Springs 760-327-4394
Hours (Mon-Fri 8 am- 5 pm)

Veteran Services

VA Loma Linda Healthcare: 1-909-825-7084
Vet 24 Hour Crisis Hotline: 1-800-273-8255 #1

City of Temecula Responsible Compassion Program

Addressing Homelessness in Temecula

Q: What is the City doing about homelessness?

A: The City has a three-part approach to dealing with homelessness that focuses on Collaboration, Coordination, and Communication:

- We *Collaborate* with partner organizations like Community Mission of Hope and Temecula Community Pantry to provide services and a path to self-sufficiency to those who are currently in need.
- We *Coordinate* with law enforcement, City staff, and other agencies to provide a continual, visible, and physical presence to deter illegal activity.
- We *Communicate* with residents and businesses to educate the public about well-intentioned actions which may unintentionally contribute to unwanted or illegal behaviors which negatively impact quality of life in our City.

At all stages, the City leverages strategic partnerships with established agencies, consistent with our commitment to fiscal responsibility.

Q: Why are there so many homeless people in the City now?

A: The causes of homelessness are many and complex, and include large-scale socioeconomic factors as well as personal risk factors including mental illness, disability, and lack of a family or social network. In our work with other organizations, we have identified four broad categories of at-risk individuals:

1. Those who desire assistance in regaining self-sufficiency
2. Those who suffer from mental illness or other conditions which inhibit reasoning skills
3. Those who refuse help and choose to lawfully live outdoors
4. Those who refuse help and may be engaging in unlawful activity

The City directs its efforts at providing resources to those who are willing to accept help, partnering with regional organizations to address the causes of homelessness, and deterring unwanted behaviors.

Q: If the City is too nice to the homeless, won't we become a "refuge" city?

A: While the City is committed to making resources available those in need who want and will accept help, we are equally committed to maintain the quality of life our residents have come to expect. To that end, we partner with law enforcement and other agencies to simultaneously support a path to self-sufficiency and aggressively deter unwanted and unlawful behaviors.

Q: What should I do when panhandlers approach me?

A: Your first concern is for your safety. If you feel threatened, call 911. The City encourages residents to respond to panhandlers with a respectful but firm "No." All of our partner organizations as well as law enforcement concur that giving money to panhandlers does more harm than good, and may encourage panhandling and support illegal activity including drug use. Responsible options for generosity include volunteering with or donating to any of the local organizations which work to solve homelessness in our community. You may also dial 211 or visit www.connectriverside.org for additional resources for helping those in need, including information about Community Mission of Hope, Temecula Community Pantry, and other front-lines relief organizations.

Q: When can I call the police?

A: You should always call 911 if you need emergency assistance from police or fire, if there is a medical emergency, or an immediate threat to public safety. Additionally, the Temecula Police Department will take action for theft of recyclables, possession of a shopping cart, public consumption of alcohol, illegal camping, panhandling, loitering, trespassing, urinating in public or other disruptive behavior.

Talking Points: City of Temecula Responsible Compassion Program

The City of Temecula has taken the lead on crafting a comprehensive approach to solving the problem of regional homelessness in a way that respects the inherent worth and dignity of every person. The “Responsible Compassion” program is consistent with the City’s *Quality of Life Master Plan* Core Value of Accountable and Responsive City Government and an effective approach to countering the causes and consequences of homelessness within our community.

The City’s efforts include:

1. Partnering with law enforcement, neighboring municipalities, faith-based organizations, and select non-profits to create a cohesive network of resources, proactive outreach, and community education initiatives.
2. Initiating a cooperative agreement to support Community Mission of Hope and Temecula Community Pantry in their missions to help individuals and families chart a path to self-sufficiency by addressing their physical, financial, social, and spiritual needs.
3. Supporting the Problem Oriented Policing (POP) model with a dedicated multi-agency Homelessness Outreach Team (HOT) which works on an individual basis to prevent and respond to unwanted behaviors.
4. Working to educate the community about appropriate avenues for helping homeless individuals without unintentionally exacerbating problem behaviors.
5. Distributing collateral (e.g., *Responsible Compassion* door hanger and tri-fold *Social Services Resource Guide*) to assist in community education.
6. Participating in annual homelessness surveys to support a data-driven approach to policies and initiatives, as well as to gain insight into regional socio-economic factors which impact rates of homelessness in our community.
7. Encouraging continuity among personnel engaged in front-line outreach, because efforts are most effective when staff can engage individuals with an understanding of specific factors which may include mental illness, addiction, disability, willingness to accept help, access to family or other social support, and prior illegal activity.
8. Coordinating with Project T.O.U.C.H. to provide emergency shelter via vouchers during the winter.
9. Sharing best practices with other regional agencies to improve local efforts and create a consistent climate of responsible compassion throughout the region.
10. Utilizing City Park Rangers, other staff, and the Community Action Patrol to act as “eyes and ears” supporting Temecula Police Department in its efforts to deter unlawful behavior and respond quickly to citizen concerns.

The City remains committed to addressing the complex and evolving challenge of homelessness within our community. Future steps include broadening community education to leverage social media, deepening cooperation on the regional level, and reviewing existing initiatives to identify opportunities for improvement.



Western Riverside Council of Governments Technical Advisory Committee

Staff Report

Subject: Report from the League of California Cities

Contact: Erin Sasse, Regional Public Affairs Manager, League of California Cities,
esasse@cacities.org, (951) 321-0771

Date: February 16, 2017

The purpose of this item is to inform the Committee of activities undertaken by the League of California Cities.

Requested Action:

1. Receive and file.

This item is reserved for a presentation from the League of California Cities Regional Public Affairs Manager for Riverside County.

Prior Action:

February 6, 2017: The Executive Committee received report.

Fiscal Impact:

This item is informational only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact.

Attachment:

None.