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Saul and Teresa Anguiano watch their baby, Venessa Rosales Anguiano struggle for her life as the family awaits a heart donor.

During her pregnancy, Teresa Anguiano was told that her fetus had a slight heart defect, however, when Venessa Rosales Anguiano was born on November 28, 1998 at Oregon Health Sciences University in Portland, Oregon, an examination indicated that her heart was not functioning normally, and was further diagnosed with a fatal heart condition known as complex trunci arteriosus, where the two largest pumping chambers in the heart are connected and pump into one vessel instead of two separate ones.

Mrs. Anguiano and her husband, Saul, were told that the baby would die and were advised to remove the support systems. Reluctant to accept that verdict, Mrs. Anguiano asked the supervising nurse whether she had children and would she (the nurse) follow the same advice. Reconsidering, the nurse suggested the alternative of a heart transplant. On January 7, the decision for a heart transplant was made, resulting in Venessa and her mother being flown to Loma Linda University Children's Hospital to await what will keep her alive: a donation of a heart.

Mary Figueroa, the first Hispanic woman to hold that office

Mary Figueroa, elected at Riverside Community College Board of Trustees, and is the first Hispanic woman to hold that office.

Sen. Joe Baca announces staff selection

Senator Joe Baca, 32nd Senatorial District, front center, has announced the selection of his staff in the Inland Empire. Pictured, (l to r) Lori Gray, Administrative Secretary, Jesse Valenzuela, Field Representative, John Weinger, Field Representative, Michael Townsend, Chief of Staff, David Pruitt, Field Representative, Deborah Murguia, Field Representative, Ruby Sierra Ramirez, Field Representative and Frank Stallworth, Field Representative.

The local office is at 201 N., "E" Street, San Bernardino, CA 92401, (909) 885-2222, fax no. (909) 885-8795, e mail: senator.baca@sen.ca.gov. Senator Baca serves in the following committees: Rules, Energy-Utility-Communications, Governmental Organization, Local Government, Veterans Affairs, Public Employment-Retirement.
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activities and social action, including the Eastside Youth Committee, Eastside Social Service Center, Inland Community Design Center, Riverside Youth Development Council, Riverside Rape Crisis Center, MECHA, Northside Neighborhood Advisory Committee and Riverside Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.
Since 1986, Figueroa has prioritized her efforts with the Riverside Human Relations Commission, a city intergroup dealing with issues affecting ethnic, social and crime situations and resolution to prob-
lem areas.
Her professional activities included the Department of Corrections' Women's Legal Aid Council and became its state chair person. With the Department, Figueroa is actively involved in the Equal Employment Opportunity Committee.
"As I have in the past, I will put forth all my energy to ensure that all our young people will have the equal opportunities to acquire the best education and meet the challenges as we enter into the 21st Century," Figueroa said.

Heart Donor Desperately Needed - From p. 1
Vanessa will not endure another attack. During an interview with the IEHN, Mrs. Anguiano stated (in Spanish), "I am praying that a parent will be generous and call us to donate a small heart for Vanessa. We have a very short time for our baby and a heart donation will be an unselfish gift of life for her."
Julie Smith, hospital public relations official, said if any person is aware of a donor to immediately call the Loma Linda University Children's Hospital at (909) 538-4419. The Anguinio's can be contacted by paging (310) 660-5326.
Meanwhile, the Anguianos' voiced their praises for the hospitality at the Ronald McDonald House. In an emotional voice, Teresa Anguiano said, "We are very pleased with the gracefulness of our friends at the place we are staying. Karen Pogue (house manager) has made us feel as if we were in our own home. Guadalupe Castillo helps us in hoping for the best for our baby."
Saul and Teresa Anguiano watch their baby, Vanessa Rosales Anguiano struggle for her life as the family awaits for a heart donor at Loma Linda University Children's Hospital. Vanessa has been diagnosed with a fatal heart condition known as complex truncus arteriosus and a heart transplant will prolong her life.

COMMUNITY HOSPITAL OFFERS GANG INTERVENTION TRAINING PROGRAM
San Bernardino, CA - Community Hospital of San Bernardino will offer a Gang Intervention Training course beginning Wednesday, January 27 from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in the Community Education Center, 1859 N. Western Avenue.
The Gang Intervention Training course is an eight-week certification program that teaches participants how to recognize at-risk youth and provide intervention to youth and families in need. Topics to be covered include: how gangs originated, graffiti interpretation, gang structure, and gang intervention techniques.
A fee of $20 covers the eight-week course. Scholarships available. For more information or to register call (909) 887-6333, ext. 3585.

EARLY VOTING - SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 1999 SAN BERNARDINO SPECIAL ELECTION THIRD WARD COUNCIL SEAT
Saturday Voting - January 30, 1999
9:00 am. - 3:00 p.m.
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Does a hectic schedule make it hard to get to the polls on Election Day? Have, you missed the deadline to apply for a ballot by mail? This convenient "early voting" option may be the answer.
The San Bernardino City Clerk's Office will be offering "early voting;" for Third Ward residents for the upcoming Special Election for the Third Ward Council Seat. This early Saturday voting will be available only at Fire Station #10 located at 502 South Arrowhead Ave.
The Riverside Hispanic Chamber of Commerce held its 20th Anniversary Installation of Officers and Recipient Awards Dinner at the Riverside Holiday Inn Select on January 15th. Officers sworn in by Mayor Ron Loveridge were (I to r) Kok Lim, Kaiser Permanente, Lt. Pete Esquivel, Riverside Police Department, Marion Ruiz, Citizens Business Bank, Susie Leivas, Leivas, Kanouse & Associates-Treasurer, Julie Verdugo, Holiday Inn-Vice President Business, Select, Paul Petrillo, KCAL/KSZZ Spanish Radio, Oseola Valdez-Yesey, Riverside County Office of Education-Secretary, Alfredo Figueroa, University of California, Riverside, Mary Figueroa, Riverside Community College Board of Trustees, Dr. Damon Castillo, Alvord Unified School District-Vice President Education, Jaime Hurtado, Empire Employers Service, Ramon Alvarez, Alvarez Lincoln-Mercury-President and Richard Ramirez, Riverside Community College. Not present-Bernie Gutierrez.

Monica Delgadillo Flores, Riverside Community College Affirmative Action Director, was presented with the prestigious Josie Lozano Award.

Javier Rosales, Riverside Community Liaison Officer, was presented with the Long Time Service Award.

Marcia McQuern, Publisher of the Press-Enterprise, was presented with the Community Service Award.

Kaiser Permanente, represented by Kok Lim, received the Corporate Business of the Year Award.

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What would you do to prevent the loss of 400-500 hundred lives every year? According to Ron Graybill, Ph.D., Community Benefits Coordinator from Loma Linda University Medical Center, 400-500 hundred lives would be spared if the death rate due to heart disease in San Bernardino County were reduced to the goal of Healthy People 2000 - 100 deaths from heart disease per 100,000 people.

On January 6, 1999, a diverse group of individuals working in the public health arena along with representatives from the media were brought together to attend the Heart Disease and Stroke Risk Factor Prevention Press Conference held at the Rudy Hernandez Community Center in San Bernardino. Here, a report on heart disease and stroke was released for the first time.

The report is number 5 in a series of studies released by the CORE (Cardiovascular Disease Outreach, Resources and Epidemiology) Program, a joint effort of the University of California at San Francisco and the California Department of Health Services. Researchers found that significant variations in cardiovascular risk factors exist between different ethnic and racial groups and regions in California. The conference provided the opportunity for community health leaders and media representatives to network and collaborate in a broad-scale venture to prevent heart disease and stroke.

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Heart Smart Cities Neighbors Together Aerobics Program. Heart Smart Cities Neighbor Team demonstrates community aerobics class in action.
INTERNET CLASSES AT FELDHEYM LIBRARY

Learn to navigate the Information Superhighway at the Feldheim Central Library. The Cosand Computer Center offers free introductory Internet classes. January classes are scheduled for January 21 at 10:00 a.m. or 2:00 p.m. and January 25 at 10:00 a.m. or 6:00 p.m. Although the one day, two hour class is free, registration is necessary because space is limited.

To register or for more information, please call the Cosand Computer Center at 381-8237 Tuesday and Wednesday 10:00 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. or Friday and Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Heart Disease

(42.7%), Black men followed closely behind (40.2%) compared to black women (37%), Hispanic women (34.6%), White women (25.1) and other women (7.5%).

The prevalence of physical inactivity was highest for the Hispanic population (70.4% for males and 66.2% for females), followed by females in the "other" category (66.2%) and males (54.2% for males and 53.9% for females) and Whites (50.2 for males and 50.6 for females) running a close third place.

Previous CORE studies (reports 2 and 3) focussed on death rates from heart disease and stroke by gender and county within California between 1989-1991. In these earlier reports, residents of all genders and ethnic backgrounds in San Bernardino County had the highest death rate from heart disease. The city of Riverside was ranked highest in that category for total heart disease rate for males and females. The city of Fontana was ranked the highest in state for heart disease in females.

The CORE reports are simply tools Continued from page 4 to help city officials, local health departments, hospitals, businesses, neighborhood associations, and foundations direct resources to areas and groups most in need. Jeanne Silberstein, Nutrition Services Director for the San Bernardino County Department of Public Health explains, "Waiting for changes in legislation to address fundamental health concerns is passe. It's time for organizations and individuals to bridge the gaps of communication, share resources, and look for creative ways to combine efforts in a community based movement to reduce the incidence of heart disease in the Inland Empire".

Positive responses to the Heart Disease and Stroke Risk Factor Prevention Press Conference have led to plans for future sustained communication and cooperation amongst those working in the field and the people at risk for heart disease.

The Inland Empire Hispanic News appreciates the contribution of the San Bernardino County Health Department and Loma Linda Hospital for the article, "Heart Disease in San Bernardino County."

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Wednesday, January 20, 1999

BIG NATURALIZATION FEE INCREASE GOES INTO EFFECT DESPITE AN INCREASE IN THE BACKLOG

The National Immigration Forum expressed disappointment today over the decision by the Immigration Naturalization Service to raise the naturalization fee, despite an increase over the past year in the enormous backlog of citizenship applications.

On January 9, 1998, the INS announced its intention to increase the naturalization fees. At that time, the INS pledged that, before any fee increase would take effect, the case backlog would "begin to subside." Unfortunately, since that pledge, the backlog has increased by more than 100,000. According to the most recent figures released by the INS, there are over 1.8 million people in the naturalization backlog. When the pledge was made, there were 1.7 million immigrants waiting to become citizens.

"Given that the backlog has in fact risen since the INS made their pledge, we had hoped that they would hold off any fee increase until there was clear improvement," said Angela Kelley, Deputy Director of the National Immigration Forum. "It's an outrage that people are being asked to pay more and wait longer."

The Forum applauds the recent Congressional authorization of more funds for the naturalization program as a long overdue and well deserved infusion of resources. These new funds should allow the INS to proceed with its plans to hire more staff and improve its services. The backlog, however, remains close to record levels.

The National Immigration Forum asks for the following steps to be taken to ensure that the backlog will be significantly reduced and the waiting time will go down to a reasonable six months:

• Congress needs to ensure that the naturalization program is adequately funded.
• The INS must specify what resources it needs to bring the backlog down.
• The INS should set a clear timetable for improvements and provide regular updates to the public about the status of the backlog and waiting times.

The naturalization fees should be used exclusively for processing and adjudicating applications, with no diversion of funds for unrelated purposes, as has been done in the past.

Mentors Needed as Positive Role Models for Youth

The Coalition for Family Preservation, a family violence prevention program serving Corona/Norco and surrounding areas, is looking for adult men and women who are willing to serve as mentors to at-risk youth.

The Coalition's mentor program, coordinated by the Volunteer Center of Riverside County, works in partnership with United Neighbors Involving Today's Youth (UNITY), the Corona Police Department and the Corona-Norco Unified School District.

Mentors are needed for youth ages 5-17 to share experiences and provide guidance and friendship in a nonjudgmental, one-on-one relationship. A mentor's role is to help increase a youth's self-esteem, provide cultural enrichment and expand the youth's personal interests and career options.

Statistically, youth who have at least one positive mentor their lives were more successful than those who did not.

Eligible mentors will be asked to commit to spend a minimum of 1-3 hours weekly with a youth they are matched with for at least one year.

Activities include a variety of recreational, cultural, social and educational programs in the community.

An orientation meeting for anyone interested in becoming a mentor will be at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 21 in the Corona Public Library's North Room, 650 S. Main Street in Corona.

For more information, or to attend the orientation meeting, please call Revekha Melendez, Mentor Program Coordinator, at (909) 737-8410.

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CNMA is nonprofit group with eight chapters across the state. Its goals are improving journalism education, encouraging minorities to pursue journalism careers and diversifying media newsrooms. The Inland Chapter serves Riverside and San Bernardino counties.

**Journalism Workshop**

Tips on pursuing journalism careers and seminars to boost students' writing skills will be offered at the journalism opportunities workshop on Saturday, Feb. 20, 1999.

The 9th annual event is sponsored by the California Chicano News Media Association (inland Chapter). Space is limited, but the event is open to high school, community college and university students in Riverside and San Bernardino counties. The event also includes a seminar for high school journalism teachers. Participants of all ethnic backgrounds are welcome.

Because of limited space, the chapter can only accept the first 260 applicants for writing/reporting and only the first 40 photography students. The chapter urges only students who are serious about journalism or photography to register.

The workshop runs from about 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Bradshaw Student Center at Riverside Community College's Riverside campus. Admission, continental breakfast, lunch, and a commemorative T-shirt are free. The event will feature a keynote speech by a noted journalist to be named soon.

The workshop offers a choice of three sequences, all led by professional journalists. Students interested in writing and reporting will enjoy activities such as panel discussions and a writing exercise. Photography participants will learn the basics of photojournalism and go on a photo shoot. High school journalism teachers receive teaching and advising tips.

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**County of San Bernardino**

**Department of Economic and Community Development**

**1998-99 Consolidated Plan - Substantial Amendments**

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino will hold a public hearing on **TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 1999 AT 10:00 A.M.** in the Chambers of the Board of Supervisors, 385 North Arrowhead Avenue, First Floor, San Bernardino, CA. The purpose of the hearing is to consider the proposed substantial amendments to the 1998-99 Consolidated Plan listed below and to solicit citizen comments regarding these amendments.

**BACKGROUND**

Each year since 1975, the County of San Bernardino has qualified to receive federal housing and community development grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The funds are to develop viable communities by providing decent housing, suitable living environments and expanded economic opportunities, principally for low-and moderate-income persons. In 1996, the County qualified to receive these funds over a three year period from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) and HOME Investment Partnership Act (HOME) programs. The CDBG funds are for eligible projects in the unincorporated communities and 14 participating cities. These cities are Adelanto, Barstow, Big Bear Lake, Chino Hills, Colton, Grand Terrace, Highland, Loma Linda, Montclair, Needles, Redlands, Twentynine Palms, Yucaipa, and the Town of Yuca Valley. For the purpose of these grant funds, this area is referred to as the "County Consortium." To receive the 1998-99 CDBG, ESG, and HOME grant funds, the County prepared a consolidated grant application called the "Consolidated Plan." On April 14, 1998, the County of San Bernardino Board of Supervisors approved a proposed Consolidated Plan. Upon completion of the public review period and after all comments were received and considered, a final Consolidated Plan was prepared. The final Consolidated Plan was submitted to HUD on June 1, 1998 for funding approval.

**PROPOSED CDBG SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENTS**

The following proposed amendments will substantially change the Action Plan for the CDBG portion of the 1998-99 Consolidated Plan.

Reprogram $2,000 to the Victoiville Graffiti Removal Program and $2,000 to the City of Adelanto for future reprogramming, from the closed High Desert AIDS Outreach Transportation Services Program, and cancel the Transportation Service as a CDBG funded activity. Reprogram $5,000 to the First Supervisorial District for future reprogramming, from the closed High Desert AIDS Outreach Prevention and Client Services Program, and cancel the Prevention and Client Services Program as a CDBG funded activity.

Reprogram $8,464 to the City of Big Bear Lake for future reprogramming, from two projects that are no longer needed, the $2,619 Landscaping Improvements Project at the Eternal Light Ministries Social Services Facility, and the $5,845 Handicapped Accessibility Improvements Project at the Operation Breakthrough Office, and cancel the Landscaping and Accessibility Projects as CDBG funded activities.

Cancel the Big Bear Lake Street Improvements Project as a CDBG funded activity in accordance with the October 6, 1998 Plan Amendment action to reprogram the project funds to three new Capital Improvement projects in the City of Big Bear Lake.

Reprogram $5,000 to Roadrunner Park Olympic Field Lighting project in the Town of Yuca Valley from the Tri-Valley Little League Irrigation System Rehabilitation project also in the Town of Yuca Valley, and cancel the Irrigation Project as a CDBG funded activity.

Reprogram $40,000 to the City of Chino Hills for future reprogramming, from the Water System Improvements project at Western Hills Mobile Home Estates that was determined by HUD to be ineligible for CDBG funding, and cancel the Water System Project as a CDBG funded activity.

**NOTE:** Items may be added to or deleted from this list of Proposed Substantial Amendments at the Board of Supervisors hearing.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

For a period of thirty (30) days on or before January 12, 1999 and on or before February 10, 1999, the public is invited to submit written comments on these proposed amendments. Comments received after 5:00 p.m. on February 10, 1999 cannot be considered in the preparation of the amended 1998-99 Consolidated Plan. Send comments to County ECD at the address shown below.

Those individuals wishing to express their views on these substantial amendments may be present and be heard at the public hearing or may, prior to the time of the hearing, submit written comments to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, 385 North Arrowhead Avenue, Second Floor, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0130.

If you challenge any decision regarding the above proposal in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the Board of Supervisors at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Due to time constraints and the number of persons wishing to give oral testimony, time restrictions may be placed on oral testimony at the public hearing regarding this proposal. You may make your comments in writing to assure that you are able to express yourself adequately.

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**Hispanic Interest**

**CRY-ROP REGISTRATION IN PROGRESS**

Colton-Redlands-Yucaipa ROP is conducting walk-in registration for Spring classes at its Redlands office. Classes fill quickly. Office hours will be extended on January 25 at the ROP main office to 7am - 7pm.

ROP offers a range of vocational courses including accounting, fashion merchandising, medical assistant, computer skills, auto repair, law enforcement and welding occupations. Classes are tuition-free. A $25 registration fee is payable, along with any material fees, at the time of registration for the first class. Each additional class is $5. Spring classes begin the week of January 25.

Class schedules are located throughout the community. For locations and times, the ROP office is located at 1214 Indiana Ct., Redlands. For more information about spring registration, please call the ROP office at (909) 793-3115.
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A second wave of avant-garde and experimental films from Mexico begins Monday, Jan. 11, part of the 1998-99 Películas de las Americas / Films of the Americas film series, sponsored by the University of California Institute for Mexico and the United States (UC MEXUS). The series is free and open to the public.

"Men With Guns," a film by "Lone Star" director John Sayles, kicks off the Winter Quarter segment of the series, starting at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 11, in room 1501 of the Humanities and Social Sciences building at the University of California, Riverside.

The series will continue through March with additional screenings, all in room 1501 of the Humanities and Social Sciences building at the University of California, Riverside.

For more information about the film series, call UC MEXUS at (909) 787-3519. Películas de las Americas/Films of the Americas is presented in cooperation with the Latin American Studies at UCR.

MIDDLE SCHOOL CONFERENCE SENDS THE RIGHT MESSAGE

Students from Curtis and Shandin Hills Middle Schools in the San Bernardino City Unified School District will be hearing about "Navigating A Course For the Future" at a conference planned especially for them, The Youth Experiencing Success (Y.E.S.) Conference will be held on Thursday, January 21 on the campus at San Bernardino Valley College.

According to Shandin Hills Principal Stephanie Cereceres, who is one of the conference planners, eight middle schools will send fifty students each to the conference. "This is the first time we have, tried an event of this size for students and we hope it will become a model for other colleges to partner with middle, schools. Valley College has been very generous and supportive of our efforts to get students to look ahead to college." She goes on to say that the conference is aimed at capable students who are not living up to their potential in school. Cereceres says that Pat Hurley, author, humorist and television personality, will open the conference at 9:30 a.m. with a speech titled "Respect Yourself and Others Will Follow." The first of three sessions of workshops begins at 10:25 a.m. with presenters drawn from teachers and administrators from the four school districts as well as the Valley College faculty. Included in the topics are such subjects as "Making the Right Choices," "High Hopes For College," "Career Preparations," and "How To Be Successful In School." Hurley will speak to students again at closing session. This time his topic is "Make A Decision or Someone Else Will Make It For You."

Shandin Hills and Curtis are part of Region "C" Partnership Network Schools. The other middle schools participating in the conference are Almeria, Southridge and Truman in Fontana; Elsinore in Lake Elsinore, La Contenta in Yucca Valley and Raymond Cree in Palm Springs.

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On campus walk-in registration will be held Jan 20-22 beginning at 9 a.m.

Full semester classes begin Jan 25, with additional short term classes beginning February 22 and April 15.