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RAY QUINTO IN FINAL LAP FOR SPECIAL ELECTION ON APRIL 3

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and was forced to resign.

A primary election held on February 3, resulted when Quinto was the sole Democratic winner in a field of seven Republican candidates, Russ Bogh winning the Republican nomination.

Quinto is running an uphill battle in the traditional Republican 65th Assembly District. On the November 7, 2000, election against Leja, he ran a well organized grassroots coordinated campaign from Joshua Tree to Moreno Valley, according to Democratic leaders in the 65th District. Quinto won in Riverside County with 34,239 votes against Leja's 31,165, and over 6,000 votes over his opponent in the City of Moreno Valley. However, in San Bernardino County, Leja received a net gain of 7,748. In the February 3, primary election, Quinto received 31.4% of the vote, & 1% higher than the next highest candidate. Russ Bogh, the Republican candidate, is running a well-financed campaign.

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CESAR CHAVEZ - HIS MEMORY WILL LIVE FOREVER

By Father Patricio Guillen

Cesar Chavez and Dolores Huerta. Pictured above, in one of their many marches and boycotts to protest the inhumanity toward the farm workers conditions and improve social and educational services for workers families and children. Photo by IEHN

Cesar E. Chavez will be honored once again as we commemorate his birthday on March 31. His many devoted followers, admirers, friends, campesinos and campesinas and his family, together, remember how he and Dolores Huerta worked and struggled for many decades to organize a union to improve the miserable working conditions that existed for many years for farm workers and their families.

Since then, human rights and working conditions have dramatically improved. However, added working conditions, health services and education for the youth has not reached the level of services and resources to the farm families that are available to the public at large.

Cesar Chavez had a special charisma. He projected a gentle and meek image that had the ability of disarming his fiercest opponents. Beneath this harmless appearance was the powerful spirit of a dauntless and tenacious fighter for campesino rights. He knew that he was to the farm grower what young King David was to the giant Goliath for the eight long years he and Dolores spent their lives organizing the farm worker.

Those of us who lived through the entire process are aware of the great price that Cesar, Dolores and the farm worker movement paid. Sheriffs and police departments used clubs to beat up pickets and defenseless women and the utilization of police dogs to intimi-

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Latino Network (LaNet) held its Fourth Annual CELEBRACION DE LA MUJER on March 16, 2001, at the Zacatecas Restaurant, Riverside, with this year’s theme “Demonstrated Leadership and Commitment to Community”. Alfredo Figueroa, Celebration Committee member, was the Master of ceremonies and introduced elected officials and guests. Monica Delgadillo Flores, president of LaNet, welcomed the audience and introduced the honorees.

Esther Velez Andrews has been in education for over 40 years and taught at the segregated Riverside School District’s Lowell Elementary School. She was instrumental in the transition of the district’s desegregation of its schools. She is currently a master teacher at Emerson School, mentoring beginning teachers.

Donna Bonte, Corona Police Department, is a crime prevention specialist and has demonstrated outstanding leadership and commitment which has ensured the safety of citizens and has contributed to public education in the areas of crime and fire prevention.

Martha Escobar, a UCR junior with a major in Liberal Studies with an emphasis in Chicano Studies, is actively involved with youth at the Centro de Aztlan, farm worker families, middle and high school students and her peers at UCR. She is a research assistant on two projects leading to better services to Latino families, families with children who have disabilities and examine the needs of families and English language learners. She has been involved in the organization of Latino/Chicano Community College day, Coalition in support of Ethnic Studies, Dia de Niño, Youth Conference and Statewide Affirmative Action Coalition.

Luz Romero Riverside Unified School District Headstart-Community Liason, has promoted Latino culture in the community and with her husband, Gustavo, has performed, free of charge, with Latino entertainment in numerous events. Although devoting time with her family, Romero is able to give significant extra time to her job and an active member of the Latino Women’s Health Forum and was a co-chair of the LWFH Conference on Heart Disease.

She is held as a role model with colleagues and families and their children.

Dr. Manuela Sosa has been actively involved in the promotion of business and has participated in many community events. She served as the first President of the Greater Riverside Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Sosa served on the Chicano Advisory Committee that advocated increased Chicano faculty at UCR and continues in her efforts on behalf of the Latino community. She is the founder of the Inland Empire Scholarship Foundation and awards $25,000 to high school students that pursue a college education and often speaks to students and youth groups, encouraging them to pursue their dreams and education.

LaNet is a community group that meets regularly to provide a forum to address issues affecting and impacting the Latino Community in Riverside and surrounding areas.

RACHEL MENDOZA CLARK, SAN BERNARDINO CITY CLERK

Rachel Mendoza Clark, is the City Clerk for the City of San Bernardino and elected to a second term without opposition. Clark is active in the League of Women Voters, Lighthouse for the Blind, Diabetes Foundation, City Clerks Association of California and holds the designation of "Certified Municipal Clerks" from the State of California. (editor’s note: IEHN inadvertently omitted Rachel Clark in its March 44 edition of Latina elected officials).

Marisa Nuñez was honored as Entrepreneur of the Year by UCR’s Annual Women of Courage and Vision at Benedict Castle, Riverside. An immigrant, Nuñez developed her business skills as a teenager in her family’s catering truck business in La Puente. The business, known as El Taco-Nazo Restaurant, have grown to 15 eateries in Los Angeles County and the Inland Empire. Nuñez is a member of the Latino Chamber of Commerce.

Gloria Macia Harrison was honored as Educator of the Year by UCR’s Annual Women of Courage and Vision at Benedict Castle, Riverside. A graduate of UCR, Harrison is President of Crafton College and with her husband, Bill, founded El Chicano newspaper. She is a member of the California Commission on the Status of Women and California Council for the Humanities and past president of the Inland Empire Educational Foundation.
WHO DO YOU TRUST?

Ray Quinto — Democrat

My father was a shepherder.

He was a strong man and a good Catholic. He taught me the value of hard work, family and service to my country.

At 17, I joined the U.S. Navy and was assigned to the U.S. Marines as a medic. I served two tours-of-duty in Vietnam. I was honored with the U.S. Navy Achievement Medal with a Gold Star.

When I came home, I settled in Yucaipa and raised a family. My wife Pat and I are blessed with three children and seven grandchildren. We attend St. Francis Cabrini Parish.

In my civilian life, I worked for 26 years with the Department of Veterans Affairs hospital System. I was honored with the “Congressional Excalibur Award” for community service.

I will never forget the values that I learned from my father and my service to my country. If I am elected to the State Assembly, I will take those values with me to fight for lower taxes, better jobs and better health care for all our families.

It will be an honor to serve.

Ray Quinto
Candidate for State Assembly

His Conservative Republican Opponent

Very recently So. California Edison (Electric) Company’s Regional Manager

Local representative of Governor Wilson who was the architect of electric deregulation

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Campaign Loans of $100,000 and $50,000 guaranteed by a parent to show campaign wealth achieving same results as Leja

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the Conservative Republican and very recent electric company manager.

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ESTHER ESTRADA HONORED ON 20TH ANNIVERSARY AS CASA RAMONA DIRECTOR

Esther Estrada was honored on "Wednesday, March 21, on the 20th anniversary as director at the Casa Ramona Community center at the Mila's Café. San Bernardino, and was presented with resolutions of appreciation from Assemblyman John Longville, Fifth District Supervisor Jerry Eaves and San Bernardino City Mayor Judith Valles, with Casa Ramona Board of Directors and elected officials representatives present for the ceremony. “Esther Estrada has provided 20 years of excellent leadership in continuing to provide the services that are essential to the Westside community. These many years have been challenging, primarily due to limited funding resources and the building structure not meeting the building code. Esther has, however, built the senior citizens housing and health and mental outreach offices that are providing valuable services for our residents, in addition to other social services to residents in this area.” Stated Mayor Valles.

Estrada, in the early 1970’s became an advocate for the prevention of demolishing Westside schools where minority students attended and helped organize parents and residents to protest against discriminatory building policies by the San Bernardino School District. This action by Westside residents resulted in building new schools and renovating other school sites in the area.

In 1972, Estrada was appointed Special Assistant to the late Congressman George Brown. The following year, the Escuela De La Nueva Raza was organized under her direction, followed by the development of the Mercado Del Barrio Food Co-op. From 1976 to 1981, Estrada worked as director of Community Education and Activation Program with the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund and attended San Francisco State University.

In 1985, she was elected to the San Bernardino City Council and was again elected in 1998. Her current councilmanic tenure includes serving in seven city committees. At the state level, she previously served on Governor Brown’s Civil Service Task Force and then Secretary of State Mario Obedo’s Statewide Census Advisory Committee.

Ramona Elementary School in San Bernardino’s Westside was primarily attended by Mexican-American students for several generations and eventually closed in 1970 under the 1932 Earthquake Act. In 1971, La Confederacion of Mexican American organizations, including AMAE and other Hispanic organizations and with the support of the Mexican American Commission, purchased the school site from the school district and was renamed Casa Ramona Community Center and operated as a non-profit corporation under the direction of a board of directors.

Social, health and educational programs, including a senior citizens center, child care, social security, city drop out center, mental health outreach, etc. have been provided to the residents of the area. Within the last two decades, medical and mental health clinics, in addition to a senior citizens housing complex have been built.

As a result of Casa Ramona not meeting the building code, a limited service capability is in effect. Plans are in place to rebuild a new community center with an array of social, health, educational and training services to residents of the area.

ASPENMEMBER GLORIA NEGRETE MCELOOD NAMED VICE-CHAIR OF ASSEMBLY LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE

Assemblymember Gloria Negrete McLeod (D-Chino) was named by Assembly Speaker Robert M. Hertzberg yesterday as Vice-Chair of the powerful Assembly Labor and Employment Committee.

The Assembly Labor and Employment Committee’s primary jurisdictions are discrimination, employment, Cal-OHSA employment development, and public job programs.

“I am honored and excited to be appointed to this new leadership position,” stated Assemblymember Negrete McLeod. She commented, “I will help to ensure that the west-end of the Inland Empire has strong voice when it comes to workers issues.”

Diversity Matters at Microsoft

Diversity Spring Road Show Coming soon to a location near you.

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Los Angeles, CA Thursday, April 5
Miami, FL Wednesday, April 11
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Atlanta, GA Tuesday, April 17

It starts with recruitment. Microsoft participates in and recruits from numerous minority and diversity job fairs, conferences, and events throughout the year including the National Association of Hispanic Professionals and Women in Technology International, the National Black MBA Association, the Society of Women Engineers, the American Indian Science and Engineering Society, the President’s Committee on Employing People with Disabilities, and many others.

Then there’s the job itself. As Microsoft ventures into new gaming, handheld and e-commerce arenas, opportunities abound throughout the U.S. for diverse, bright professionals who are passionate about their work. From software development to sales, support and consulting to corporate operations, Microsoft offers the latest technology and resources for employees to change the way people work and live. Truly, to make software that enriches cultures around the world, we are committed to hiring the brightest talent.

To ensure this happens on a continual basis, our employees championed the Diversity Advisory Council (DAC), comprised of more than 18 minority and special interest groups. The DAC focuses on maintaining Microsoft’s growth as a culturally more, socially responsible, and racially diverse corporation. The Council also provides members with networking opportunities, social activities, outreach programs, career development, and general supportive services.

For new employees, Microsoft offers two diversity training programs which help optimize the performance of every individual, enhancing our ability to attract, develop, and keep the best and brightest talent.

As for the future, Microsoft is committed to fostering diversity and its awareness through community outreach programs. A great number and variety of events, partnerships, funds, and scholarships provide the technology and the opportunity for minority students and adults to achieve their dreams.

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Inland Empire Hispanic News

Wednesday, March 28, 2001

MARIELENA GARCIA-SHORETT SELECTED WOMAN OF THE YEAR

Assemblyman John Longville selected Marilena Garcia-Shorett as Woman Of The Year-2001 for the 62nd District in Sacramento on March 12, 2001. Speaking before the full Assembly, Longville presented Garcia-Shorett and narrated her accomplishments and contribution to the communities in the Inland Empire. Longville stated that Garcia-Shorett, in addition to her many community activities, has been a passionate advocate and leader throughout the Inland Empire.

Marilena Garcia-Shorett was previously employed by the University of California Cooperative Extension as a media specialist for 19 years. In this position, she was effective in developing media outlets to advocate and champion issues affecting the disadvantaged families and providing information regarding socio-economic concerns. Additionally, her work extended into writing bilingual articles for La Voz newspaper and producing public affairs programs for radio and television.

Within the last ten years, Garcia-Shorett has been Media/Public Affairs Officers with the San Bernardino County’s Office of Small Business Development. The responsibilities in the Emerging Small Business Program includes developing and coordinating networking sessions, workshops and conferences for small business enterprises, chambers of commerce and business groups. She is also editor of The Business Connection newsletter with a circulation of 10,000 to businesses and elected officials.

Garcia-Shorett has a strong commitment to the community by volunteering in many organizations including the Kiwanis Club of Greater San Bernardino, Casa Ramona, Family Services Agency, Institute of Social Justice, California Diabetes Coalition, American Cancer Society, Sinfonia Mexicana Society and the Alzheimer’s Committee for Hispanics.

Her dedication to the community has been recognized by organizations and is the recipient of numerous awards: National Association of Counties Achievement Award, Inland Empire Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Government Award, Kiwanian of the Year Award (1998), Los Angeles County’s “Hermana of the Year Award”, League of Women Voters’ Achievement of Achievement Award and the University of California Affirmative Action Award.

HOSPICIO DE RIVERSIDE

Necesita Voluntarios

El programa del Hospicio de Riverside necesita su ayuda, como voluntario para nuestros ancianos que viven solos y tristes. Ellos no tienen nada más que TV y se sienten inútiles. Si pueden dar dos horas a la semana los llamen al (909) 274-0710. Pregunten por Rosa si hablan español. Un anciano les espera!
CESAR CHAVEZ – HIS MEMORY WILL LIVE FOREVER
By Father Patricio Guillen

date and harass the campesinos that believed in non-violence. Added to the struggle for individual decency were the hateful words of strike breakers and others who were opposed to the union. The climaxes to these violent encounters were the martyrs who gave their lives for human justice to the farm workers.

The deaths of these martyrs were the rare occasions when Cesar’s comment was put to the test. He wondered if he was doing the right thing the right way.

But this was also the moment when he and Dolores rededicated their efforts. They could not let these brave persons die in vain.

When Cesar Chavez gave up his spirit, the torch was passed on to Arturo Rodriguez. The transition has had its ups and downs. They have renewed their efforts to organize strawberry pickers and other sectors of the campesino workforce.

We, who are celebrating Cesar Chavez’s birthday, must renew our commitment to support our brother and sister campesinos that harvest the food we eat daily. Justice is won by actions and not mere words.

More young men and women need to support this cause for justice. Before Cesar Chavez died he told one of his many audiences, “If the United Farm Worker movement dies it is because I did not do my job right”.

I firmly believe that Cesar Chavez will never die because he gave his life in the service of those he loved so dearly and with whom he so passionately identified.

It is up to us to recommit our lives to carry forward this just cause.

“Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for justice. They will be satisfied.” St. Mat. 5.

Father Patricio Guillen is Director of the Librería Del Pueblo, a non-profit community organization that provides immigration services, tutoring, bilingual education and health education services.
NORTON TERMINAL
EXTERIOR & SEISMIC RETROFIT
San Bernardino International Airport

Bids due: May 11, 2001 until 2:00 p.m.

Sealed bids will be received at the San Bernardino International Airport Authority, Administrative Offices, 294 S. Leland Norton Way, Suite 1, San Bernardino, CA 92408-0131 until 2:00 p.m. on Friday, May 11, 2001, for the exterior remodeling and seismic retrofit of the existing one-story passenger terminal at San Bernardino International Airport (former Norton Air Force Base), 105 N. Leland Norton Way, San Bernardino, California. Do not submit sealed bids to the Terminal at 105 N. Leland Norton Way.

Bids will be opened publicly at 2:15 p.m. on May 11, 2001, at the offices of the San Bernardino International Airport Authority, 294 S. Leland Norton Way, San Bernardino. Bid award will be made early June 2001, subject to approval by the Board.

The work generally includes: demolition and reconstruction of portions of the exterior walls, limited glazed exterior wall, extension of the interior waiting area, seismic retrofit of portions of the building, reroofing, limited sidewalk paving, exterior lighting. Work also includes limited incidental fire sprinkler system, plumbing, and electrical work. The work shall be completed within 200 calendar days from the day of the bid award.

The work shall be done in accordance with Drawings, Specifications and other Contract Documents prepared by Ware & Malcomb Architects, Inc. on file in the office of the Clerk of the Board, San Bernardino International Airport Authority, 294 S. Leland Norton Way, Suite 1, San Bernardino, CA 92408-0131, where they may be examined but not removed. The Requirements for Invitation for Bid, Notice to Bidders, and Standard Contract Clauses for Airports Program Construction Projects are appended after this Advertisement for Bids.

On April 2, 2001, full sets of the Drawings and the Project Manual, containing Bidding and Contract Requirements and the Specifications, are available to bona fide bidders at the approximate cost of $210 per set, including tax, at the office of OCB Reprographics, Inc., 17721 Mitchell North, Irvine, CA 92614, Tel. (949) 660-1150. Bona fide bidders are advised to call Del Pereira at Ware & Malcomb Architects at (949) 660-9129 first to arrange printing of documents and to allow OCB Reprographics, Inc. a minimum of 24 hours for order processing. Checks shall be made out to "OCB Reprographics, Inc." The cost of said Specifications and Drawings is non-refundable and purchased Specifications and Drawings need not be returned. Additional full sets of Drawings and the Project Manual may be subsequently ordered by contacting OCB Reprographics, Inc.

The Drawings and the Project Manual can be reviewed at, but not removed from, during regular office hours at the Ware and Malcomb Architects' Offices at 18111 Von Karman Avenue, Suite 600, Irvine, CA 92612, Tel. (949) 660-9128. The San Bernardino International Airport Authority, located at 294 S. Leland Norton Way, Suite 1, San Bernardino, CA 92408-0131, will make the review of the Drawings and the Project Manual available at its office and also at the Construction Market Data Offices, 1717 South State College Boulevard, Suite 160, Anaheim, CA 92806, Tel. (800) 263-6063, and at F. W. Dodge Offices, 202 E. Airport Drive, Suite 190, San Bernardino, CA 92408, Tel. (909) 885-6857.

A mandatory pre-bid conference is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, April 17, 2001 at 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at site of proposed work, San Bernardino International Airport Authority Terminal; 105 N. Leland Norton Way, San Bernardino, CA 92408. Representatives of Owner and Architect will attend the pre-bid conference. All prospective Bidders (General Contractors) shall attend conference. Prospective subcontractors and material suppliers may also attend. All persons attending the pre-bid conference will be required to identify themselves and their affiliation by signing an attendance sheet; at this time, at the beginning of conference; written questions shall be then submitted to the Owner and Architect for clarification and reply. Time permitting, oral questions can be answered after the written questions have been answered first. Attendance at the pre-bid conference shall be a condition of bidding. Bids will not be accepted from Bidders who do not attend the pre-bid conference.

The San Bernardino International Airport Authority will allow field visits to the Terminal after April 18, 2001. Terminal will be open for visit by Bidders, at bidder's own risk, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on weekdays on April 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27 inclusive, through the main entrance automatic doors at 105 N. Leland Norton Way. Bidders are requested to obtain clearance permission from Mr. Ryan Rigie, Airport Operations, Tel. (909) 382-4100 Extension 244, prior to visiting the Terminal. Please sign in at the door. Access to the catwalk is from the ship ladder in the room north of the new public toilet rooms. Access to the main roof is from the exterior wall ladders at the north and south walls.

Ware and Malcomb Architects will respond to all faxed Requests for Information (RFI) to the Architect at (949) 683-1581 after April 23, 2001; no oral telephonic questions will be answered. Last RFI must be sent before 2:00 p.m. of Friday, May 4, 2001, to allow time for the issuance of last Addendum on May 7, 2001. RFI's faxed after the aforementioned deadline will not be answered.

BIDS MUST FOLLOW THE BID FORM FORMAT APPENDED AFTER DOCUMENT 00300 BID FORM IN THIS PROJECT MANUAL. Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check drawn on a solvent bank, payable to the San Bernardino International Airport Authority, for an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the total maximum amount bid or by a satisfactory corporate surety bond for said amount and so payable, as a guarantee that the successful bidder will within fourteen (14) days from the date of the award of the contract, enter into a valid contract with the San Bernardino International Airport Authority for said work in accordance with said Drawings and Specifications.

Corporate surety bond will be required to be submitted by the successful bidder with the contract. A bond in the sum of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price shall be furnished, guaranteeing the faithful performance of said contract, and a bond in the sum of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price shall be furnished for the protection of all laborers and materialmen.

The San Bernardino International Airport Authority reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to award all or any individual part/item of the bid, and to waive any informalities or technical defects, whichever may be in the best interest of the Authority.

Dated this 23rd day of March, 2001.

by PENNY CHUA
CLERK OF THE BOARD
SAN BERNARDINO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY
294 S. LELAND NORTON WAY, SUITE #1
SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408-0131
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Ray Quinto in Final Lap for Special Election on April 3

Governor Pete Wilson. His campaign figneal manager for Southern California late. Previous to working with SCE, he was a field representative for then-Governor Pete Wilson. His campaign fi-

nancial reports are currently being re-

viewed by the California Fair Political Practice Commission.

A retired veterans hospital adminis-

trator and naval reserve captain, Quinto

has volunteered in social, health, vet-

erans and youth non-profit organiza-

tions for over 25 years and has received

numerous awards for his commitment
to communities in the Inland Empire.

"I am running as a servant to the people and not as a politician," he stated in an interview. "My administrative ex-

perience and military service, coupled

with my work in the communities, has
given me a total array of exposure to the needs of people in every walk of

life. I am confident that I can serve the constituents of the 65th Assembly Dis-

trict and improve the quality of life for

many of them." Quinto has been endorsed by the California Teachers Association, Cen-
atal Labor Council, Latino Democratic Caucus, California Democratic Party, Riverside-San Bernardino Democratic Parties, Governor Gray Davis and Lt. Governor Cruz Bustamante.

Week of the Young Child Starts March 28

The Riverside Children’s Fair, a cele-
boration of young children, will be held on Saturday, April 7, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the California School for the Deaf.

This event will recognize the Na-
tional Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Week of the Young Child, a national celebra-
tion to focus on the needs of young children.

This annual event educates the com-
munity on the needs of children, childcare issues, and family resources within Riverside.

Historically, this event has drawn approximately 2,000 families. This year child care centers, agencies, and other volunteers will provide free children’s activities for children ages 2 through 14 years of age. In support of Riverside County Office of Edu-
cation emphasis on reading, there will be an area where stories will be read to children in English and Spanish. Family entertainment will be provided throughout the event, and will include organized games.

There will be vehicle displays by the fire, police, and sanitation depart-
ments and community resources, and free fun activities for children and their families.

"Making campus safety a ZAP!"

Campus safety is important to California Baptist University. And so is the environment. Which is one of the reasons why their Director of Public Safety Don Poss was glad to receive two “ZAP” (Zero Air Pollution) electric bicycles from Riverside Public Utilities. "They have given us broader security coverage on our 95 acre campus," Don said. Equipped with electric motors, sirens and lights, these bicycles not only give his security force better maneuverability, they help to keep the environment clean. Bikes like this are donated to local public safety patrols in Riverside each year as a part of Riverside Public Utilities’ commitment to alternative fuel and zero emissions vehicles. To inquire about the Electric Bicycle Donation program, call (999) 826-5485.

"Our ZAP bikes are high profile security items that offer a cost saving for the University. Plus, they are just plain fun to ride."
POPE JOHN PAUL II CULTURAL CENTER OPENS IN WASHINGTON, DC

The Pope John Paul II Cultural Center, a new Washington attraction devoted to the exploration of faith and culture, was opened in the nation’s capital on March 22, 2001. The privately funded, $60-million Cultural Center, located in Northeast Washington adjacent to the Catholic University of America, is a Catholic multimedia educational facility and museum designed to engage people of all denominations in the role of faith in the modern age. Using new technology, such as audiovisual presentations and interactive computer displays, as well as artifacts from the past, the Cultural Center allows visitors to examine age-old questions of spirituality in the new millennium. It is a place where people can re-examine their ideas, feelings and hopes through activities that are at once illuminating, thought-provoking and entertaining.

Treasures from the Church and the Vatican Museums and high-tech, interactive exhibits and audiovisual presentations allow visitors to the Pope John Paul II Cultural Center to have an experience that is both engaging and spiritual. The exhibit program, which was developed by the internationally renowned firm Edwin Schlossberg, Inc., features a “smart card” that will guide visitors on a dynamic, socially interactive journey tailored to their specific interests.

According to Father G. Michael Bugarin, the Center’s director and chief executive officer, the central mission of the Cultural Center is to foster a spirit of understanding and

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COMMUNITY BREAKFAST TO CELEBRATE CESAR CHAVEZ DAY

Congressman Joe Baca and the San Bernardino School District, in conjunction with AMAE, Inland Empire Hispanic News, Kiwanis Club of Greater San Bernardino, Little League, Del Puerto, I.E., Hispanic Roundtable, MeCHA, and other community organizations have announced the celebration of the Third Annual Cesar Chavez Prayer Breakfast on Friday, March 30, 2001, at the GENT’S Community Center, 1482 E. Art Townsend Drive, Internation Airport, San Bernardino. BREAKFAST WILL BE SERVED AT 7:15AM. The program will be from 8:00 AM to 9:00AM. Ernest Garcia will be the master of ceremonies with Mayor Judith Valles welcoming the community to the yearly event. Pastor Chuck Singleton will give the invocation. Natalie Hernandez, Granddaughter of Cesar Chavez, will be the keynote speaker. Congressman Baca will deliver an update on Cesar Chavez’ national holiday. An RSVP is requested by calling at (909) 880-6808 or (909) 381-6239. Donation is $10.00 per person and payable at the door.

The County of San Bernardino
Department of Economic and Community Development

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino will, at their regular meeting scheduled for TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2001 at 10:00 A.M., in the Chambers of the Board of Supervisors, 385 North Arrowhead Avenue, Second Floor, San Bernardino, CA, will consider the following proposed substantial amendment to the Strategic Plan for the CDBG portion of the 2000-2005 Consolidated Plan and 2000-2001 Action Plan and will consider citizen comments regarding this amendment: Reprogram a total of $63,560 from unprogrammed funds for the First Supervisional District to two (2) Projects: (1) Initiative a new High Desert Legal Aid Services Program to be provided by the Legal Aid Society of San Bernardino for $7,650, and (2) Add $55,000 to the Joshua Tree Community Center Air Conditioning Units Installation Project for a total of $65,000 for this project.

CONSOLIDATED PLAN

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 1999, 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 Partnerships Act (HOME) programs for Fiscal Years 2000,2001, and 2002. 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, Muscoa, Neder, Redlands, Twentynine Palms, Victorville, and the Town of Yucca Valley. For the purpose of these grant funds, this area is referred to as the "County Consistency.

To receive the 2000-2001 CDBG, ESG, and HOME grant funds, the County prepared a consolidated application to HUD. The County's 2000-2001 Consolidated Plan and 2000-2001 Action Plan formed the grant application. On April 18, 2000, the Consolidation of San Bernardino Board of Supervisors approved the proposed Consolidated Plan and Action Plan. Upon completion of the public review period and after all comments were received and considered, the final Consolidated Plan and Action Plan was prepared. The final Consolidated Plan and Action Plan was submitted to HUD on June 6, 2000 for funding approval.

PUBLIC COMMENT

For a period of thirty (30) days beginning on March 27, 2001 and ending on April 26, 2001, the public is invited to submit written comments on this proposed amendment. Comments received after 5:00 p.m. April 26, 2001 cannot be considered in the preparation of the amended Consolidated Plan. Send comments to the County Department of Economic and Community Development at the address shown below.

Those individuals wishing to express their views on this substantial amendment may be present and be heard at the Board of Supervisors meeting or may, prior to the time of the meeting, submit written comments to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, 385 North Arrowhead Avenue, Second Floor, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0136.

If you challenge any decision regarding the above proposal in court, you may be limited to present and be heard at the Board of Supervisors meeting or may, prior to the time of the meeting, submit written correspondence delivered to the Board of Supervisors at, or prior to, the meeting. Due to time constraints and the number of persons wishing to give oral testimony, time limitations 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.

San Bernardino County
Department of Economic and Community Development
250 North "D" Street, Sixth Floor
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0040
Attn: Program and Compliance Section or call (909) 388-0959

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

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OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
IEHCC’S “LA GRAN FIESTA” 5° DE MAYO SLATED FOR MAY 5TH AT SAN BERNARDINO CIVIC CENTER

The Inland Empire Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (IEHCC) announces “La Gran Fiesta” 5° de Mayo to take place outdoors in the streets surrounding the San Bernardino Convention Center on Saturday, May 5th, 2001 from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

“This year’s 5° de Mayo event will be named “La Gran Fiesta”, said Martin Valdez, IEHCC’s president, and added, “this free family event will be a great fiesta where people from the City of San Bernardino and surrounding communities can celebrate history, culture and education”.

The event, which celebrates the defeat of the French invasion in Mexico in 1862, anticipates an attendance of 25,000 people. The public will enjoy folkloric dances and music, arts and crafts displays delicious Mexican Food, information on consumer services, education and more.

“Top entertainers including local talent will perform at two different stages. Some of these performing artists include the internationally famous Paulina Rubio, the sensational Group Azul Azul (La Bomba, the popular Los Cadetes de Linares and many more”, said Oscar Chavez, event entertainment director.

“La Gran Fiesta” 5° de Mayo promises to be a family event for all to enjoy. Community organizations, businesses and persons interested in reserving space for a booth to sell food, goods or offer consumer services can call the Chamber now at (909) 888-2188 or (626) 304-0018.

POPE JOHN PAUL II CULTURAL CENTER OPENS IN WASHINGTON, DC

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respect among people of diverse religious and ethnic backgrounds by providing an environment in which individuals from many cultures might engage in spiritual discussion.

The 100,000 square-foot center is located at 3900 Harewood Road, NE approximately one-quarter mile north of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, and only a short drive from other popular tourist destinations such as the U.S. Capitol, the Mall and the White House. The Center will be able to accommodate 1,500 visitors per day.

More information on the Pope John Paul II Cultural Center is available at www.jp2culturalcenter.org.
ADVERTISMENT FOR BIDS

RIVERSIDE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCY RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA

Prospective bidders are hereby notified that Riverside County Economic Development Agency, herein called Owner, will receive sealed bid proposals for the construction of Desert Resorts Regional Airport Infrastructure Improvements at the Office of the Clerk of the Board, 4080 Lemon Street 14th Floor, Riverside California, 92501 until 2:00 p.m., Thursday April 12, 2001, which will then be publicly opened and read. The work contemplated consists of the following:

- Airport Infrastructure Improvements
  - Street Improvements
  - Water System Improvements
  - Sewer System Improvements
  - Sanitary Sewer Lift Station and Piping
  - Miscellaneous Storm Drainage Improvements
  - Landscaping Improvements

Each bid shall be in accordance with the Plans and Specifications and other Contract Documents now on file with the Riverside County Economic Development Agency, 3525 14th Street, Riverside, California 92501. Copies of the Plans, Specifications and Bid Documents will be available beginning Thursday, March 15, 2001 and may be purchased from Maniero, Smith and Associates, Inc., 777 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way, Suite 301, Palm Springs, California 92262 upon the payment of a non-refundable fee of $80.00 per set. Said documents will be mailed for an additional $10.00 fee. Make all checks payable to "Riverside County".

As a pre-qualification to bid, attendance at a mandatory pre-bid meeting that has been scheduled for Thursday, March 29th at 9:00 am shall be required. The meetings site shall be at the Riverside County Fire Station located within the Desert Resorts Airport Property.

Each bidder must supply all the information required by the Bid Documents and Specifications. All proposals send by mail must be posted so as to be in the hands of the County of Riverside, by the hour and date set forth above for the bid opening.

All proposals shall be addressed to:
Riverside County Economic Development Agency
3525 Fourteenth Street
Riverside, California 92501

And marked: Desert Resorts Regional Airport Infrastructure Improvements

The proposed contract is under and subject to Executive Order 11246, as amended, of September 24, 1965, and to the Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) and Federal Labor Provisions. All labor on the project shall be paid no less than the higher of either the prevailing State wage rates established by the Director of the State of California, Department of Industrial Relations (or at Owner's office and availability to any interested party upon request), or the prevailing Federal wage rates established by the U.S. Secretary of Labor.

To be eligible for award, each bidder must comply with the affirmative action requirements, which are contained in the Specifications. A contractor having 50 or more employees and his subcontractors having 50 or more employees, and who may be awarded a contract of $50,000 or more will be required to maintain an affirmative action program, the standards for which are contained in the Specifications.

The requirements of 49 CFR Part 26, Regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation, apply to this contract. It is the policy of the County of Riverside to practice nondiscrimination based on race, color, sex, or national origin in the award or performance of this contract. All firms qualifying under this solicitation are encouraged to submit bids/proposals. Award of this contract will be conditioned upon satisfying the requirements of this bid specification. These requirements apply to all bidders/offers, including those who qualify as a DBE. A DBE contract goal of twelve percent (12%) has been established for this contract. The bidder/offeror shall make good faith efforts, as defined in Appendix A, 49 CFR Part 26, to meet the contract goal for DBE participation in the performance of this contract.

The Bidder/offeror will be required to submit the following information: (1) the names and addresses of DBE firms that will participate in the contract; (2) a description of the work that each DBE firm will perform; (3) the dollar amount of the participation of each DBE firm participating; (4) written documentation of the bidder/offeror's commitment to use a DBE that it is participating in the contract as provided in the commitment made under; (5) if the contract goal is not met, evidence of good faith efforts.

The bidder/offeror shall submit the information prior to a commitment by the County of Riverside to award the contract to the apparent successful competitor. If the contract goal is not met, evidence of good faith efforts.

Owner reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to waive any irregularity, or to award a contract to other than the lowest bidder. If Owner elects to award a contract for the Work, the award will be made to a single bidder based on available funding and the best interests of Riverside County.

The EEO requirements, labor provisions, and wage rates are included in the Specifications and Bid Documents and are available for inspection at the Riverside County Economic Development Agency, 3525 Fourteenth Street, Riverside, California 92501. Each bidder must complete, sign, and furnish with his bid the "Bidder's Statement on Previous Contracts Subject to EEO Clause" , a "Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities", and the "Assurance of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Participation" as contained in the Bid Proposal.

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The bidder/offeror shall submit the information prior to a commitment by the County of Riverside to award the contract to the apparent successful competitor within ten (10) days of the County of Riverside's request.

DBE participation in this contract may be in the form of a prime contract, subcontract, joint venture, or another arrangement that qualifies under 49 CFR sections 26.65, "How is DBE participation counted toward goals?" or 26.53 (g)

All solicitations, contracts, and subcontracts resulting from projects funded under this contract are subject to the foreign trade restriction required by 49 CFR Part 30, Denial of Public Works Contracts to Suppliers of Goods and Services of Countries That Deny Procurement Market Access to U.S. Contractors.

This project is partly Federally financed by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (24 CFR, Part 57) and subject to certain requirements included in the "Special Federal CDBG Provisions" section of the bid documents. Additional information pertaining to the Federal requirement is on file with the County of Riverside Economic Development Agency.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check or bid bond in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount bid for the combined total of the bid schedule (as adjusted for deductive alternate for award). Bid bond shall be submitted on the form included in the Contract Documents or on an equivalent form approved by Owner. Said check or bond shall be made payable to "Riverside County". The successful bidder shall submit at the time of execution of the Contract a Performance Bond along with a Payment Bond (Labor and Material), each for 100% of the Contract amount, and required proof of Insurance. Surety company shall be licensed in the State of California and have a Best's rating of "A" or better with a financial size of V or better.

The Owner shall have the right to reject any bids presented in accordance with Section 20150.9 of the California Public Contracts Code.

Each bidder must have a Class A California Contractor's license, as required under Provisions of the California Business and Professions Code.

For further information, contact Rob Field or Tom Turner at the Riverside County Economic Development Agency, whose telephone number is (909) 955-8916.
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City of San Bernardino
DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM
PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of San Bernardino has prepared an Overall Annual Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Goal Analysis for the Federal fiscal year 2000/2001. This document is required as a guide in administering all of the City's federally assisted public works projects in accordance with the regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation, Title 49 CFR, Part 26.

With this notice, the public is invited to inspect the proposed goal and the data from which it has been derived, through May 1, 2001, at the Public Works Division, floor of City Hall, 300 N. "D" Street, San Bernardino California, during normal business hours. Public comment is encouraged. Comments in writing will be received by mail or in person through May 16, 2001 at 5:30 p.m. at the following:

City of San Bernardino
Department of Development Services
Public Works Division
300 N. "D" Street
San Bernardino, CA 92418

Questions should be directed to Jarb Thaipejr of the City of San Bernardino, Public Works Division at (909) 384-5111 or by e-mail at: thaipejr JaOci.san-bemardino.ca.us

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