San Bernardino County Judge
Patrick Morris

Patrick Morris, San Bernardino Superior Court Judge, grew up in Needles, California, working at odd jobs while attending local schools. He graduated from the University of Redlands, cum laude; Phi Beta Kappa and Stanford University School of Law.

Following his duty in the Army Reserve, Morris served as deputy district attorney, followed by a civil litigation law practice. While practicing law, he was a member of the San Bernardino Board of Education from 1971 to 1976, serving as board vice president and president. He became a strong community leader in implementing the school district’s desegregation and integration (magnet) program, that exists to the present time.

In 1976, he was appointed superior court judge. Judge Morris has been recognized as an active superior court judge. In 1978, he served as the first full-time Family Law Supervising Judge, organizing the Family Law Department. Serving for three terms as Superior Court Presiding Judge in 1981, the court eliminated its civil case backlog. During that same year, Judge Morris was named Inland Southern California Trial Judge of the Year.

He served as Presiding Judge of the County Juvenile Court from 1984 to 1989, advocating for the Welfare of children. He is endorsed by the San Bernardino Police Officers Association, San Bernardino City Professional Firefighters Local 891, Retired San Bernardino Police Officers Association, and retired San Bernardino Police Chiefs Don Burnett, Lee Dean, B. Warren Cocke, and Dan Robbins.

Continue on page 4

Rick Avila

Rick Avila is a long-time resident of the City of San Bernardino, attending San Bernardino City Schools. He is a general engineer contractor in partnership with his father since 1972.

Avila’s community involvement includes city fire commissioner, Little League baseball manager, soapbox derby volunteer, North Enders, and the Edgall Club.

In his campaign statements, Avila prioritizes his agenda: improvement of city parks and enforcement of park closure hours; safe senior citizen’s residential complexes, and establishment of a senior citizen zone; direct City Public Works Department to immediately repair all city property for safety; increase after school and recreation programs; work with Child and Youth Advocacy groups; and keep business and corporations on his agenda.

Avila was recently awarded $750,000 by a jury for breach of contract on a pipeline project by the City of San Bernardino. “You have to wonder how many times the city has done this to people,” he said after the trial.

Rick Avila can be contacted at (909) 891-1515.

San Bernardino City Attorney
Jim Penman

Jim Penman, San Bernardino City Attorney for 18 years, has involved his office on many city issues throughout his tenure as the legal officer for the city: the dual Duffy Street railroad derailment disasters that caused destruction of homes and displacement of families, parole housing in the city, home and mobile home inspections and evacuations, prostitution among several main thoroughfares in the city, gang and drug activities, city council members exposure of corruption and bribery, and other critical issues confronting the city, according to campaign literature distributed to voters and submitted for this article.

“As city attorney, I’ve spearheaded reform of our city charter, preserving the checks and balances, exposed corrupt officials, closed drug and gang-infested apartments, obtained injunctions against gang members and prostitutes,” he stated in his campaign literature.

Penman is parent of Mark and Andrew (deceased), and married to Judy Penman, stepfather of Tommy and Jyll.

He has been the recipient of the Home of Neighborly Service-Presidents Award (1988); Arrowhead United Way-Volunteer of the Year Award (2003); Los Padrinos-Youth Award (1980), Cal-State, San Bernardino Alumni Award (1980); Roosevelt Elementary School-Distinguished Alumni Award; and Sun Newspaper-Best Lawyer Award (1986).

He is a member of the Lutheran Church of Our Savior, American Legion Post 777, Arrowhead United Way, Kiwanis, Elks, San Bernardino Chamber of Commerce, High Twelve (noon) Club, Anglo-Hellenic Education/Progressive Association, and Inland Empire Civil War Roundtable.

Our city needs more proven programs for children, programs like those we ran at the Home of Neighborly Service, programs that get kids off the street – we do not need more half-way houses for parolees, gang members and drug addicts. Effective non-profit, and privately funded youth and senior programs will be priorities of my administration,” Penman said.

Penman is endorsed by the San Bernardino Police Officers Association, San Bernardino City Professional Firefighters Local 891, Retired San Bernardino Police Officers Association, Peace Officers Research Association of California, United Food and Commercial Workers Local 1167, Carpenters Union Local 944, San Bernardino Public Employees Association, and retired San Bernardino Police Chiefs Don Burnett, Lee Dean, B. Warren Cocke, and Dan Robbins.

“Our city needs more proven programs for children, programs like those we ran at the Home of Neighborly Service, programs that get kids off the street – we do not need more half-way houses for parolees, gang members and drug addicts. Effective non-profit, and privately funded youth and senior programs will be priorities of my administration,” Penman said.

Penman is parent of Mark and Andrew (deceased), and married to Judy Penman, stepfather of Tommy and Jyll.

He has been the recipient of the Home of Neighborly Service-Presidents Award (1988); Arrowhead United Way-Volunteer of the Year Award (2003); Los Padrinos-Youth Award (1980), Cal-State, San Bernardino Alumni Award (1980); Roosevelt Elementary School-Distinguished Alumni Award; and Sun Newspaper-Best Lawyer Award (1986).
WASHINGTON, DC – Vowing to hold Corporate America accountable, Congressman Joe Baca (D-CA) discussed a Congressional Hispanic Caucus (CHC) survey of Corporate America’s commitment to the Hispanic community.

The survey, the first of its kind by the CHC has been conducted by the CHC’s Corporate America Task Force, which Congressman Baca chairs. Baca also serves as the 1st Vice Chair of the CHC.

Congressman Baca was joined by other members of the CHC and by Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa at a press conference to discuss the survey, its purpose and its results to date.

The survey is intended to help the CHC members measure the current level of Hispanic inclusion in corporate leadership, examine the progress companies are making and identify where improvements are still needed.

Rep. Baca said, “The survey builds on our recognition of the gains that the Hispanic community has made in America, as well as our determination to help the people we represent make further progress economically, socially and politically.”

- At the end of 2004 Hispanics made up 14 percent of the U.S. population.
- Latinos are now America’s largest minority group.
- Between now and 2020, Latinos are expected to account for about half the growth of the U.S. labor force.
- Latinos are now responsible for 10% of U.S. GDP and represent more than $1 trillion dollars in purchasing power in America’s consumer market.

The CHC members believe that American corporations benefit significantly from the growing Hispanic community and insist that they bear a growing responsibility to the community. The survey will serve as a helpful tool for holding businesses accountable.

While many corporations are still reviewing the survey and preparing their responses, Congressman Baca noted that conducting the survey has already yielded positive results.

“We have received comments of praise and gratitude from Latinos and Latinas working in corporate America and eager to be considered for all the top positions they are qualified for,” said Baca. “And already we have seen companies moving to take steps such as hiring Hispanic consultants and implementing new efforts to improve their diversity when recruiting executives.”

Although the survey is still being completed, Congressman Baca announced some preliminary findings and general observations:

- Of the companies that have responded so far, 57% of their corporate boards contain at least 1 Hispanic member.
- One company’s board is 30% Hispanic.
- And 50% of the companies include at least 1 Hispanic among their top executive officers.

The CHC members are also concerned about the level of contracts that major corporations award to Hispanic owned businesses and the amount of philanthropic support that they provide to organizations serving the Hispanic community.

Congressman Baca announced that following the completion of the survey, the CHC will evaluate the performance of each corporation and issue a Corporate Report Card later this year.

“We must hold America’s major corporations accountable, so we are going to name names. We’ll give credit where it is due and provide constructive criticism to businesses that warrant it.” Baca said.

Leaders and members of several major national Hispanic organizations including National Hispanic Caucus of State Legislators, Hispanic Association on Corporate Responsibility, MANA – A National Latina Organization, Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities, National Hispanic Media Coalition, California Migrant Leadership Council, National Association of Latino Elected Officials, National Hispanic Corporate Council, Hispanic College Fund participated in the press conference.

The Congressional Hispanic Caucus (CHC) is comprised of 21 members of Congress of Hispanic descent. Since 1976 the CHC has been addressing the needs of the Hispanic community in all areas of American life. For more information on the CHC, call (202)225-2410. www.napolitano.house.gov/chc/
KIWANIS CLUB OF GREATER SAN BERNARDINO INSTALLS OFFICERS

Newly installed Kiwanis Club of Greater San Bernardino-2005-2006 executive committee: (l to r) President Albert Roman, Secretary Karen Serrano, Treasurer Sue Wright, President-elect Juan Luna, and Vice-president Don Orasco. Photo by IEHN

Newly elected Kiwanis Club of Greater San Bernardino-2005-2006 board of directors: (l to r) Frank Rincon, Hiram Diaz, Mel Albiso, Henry Cadenilla, Margaret Ortiz, Rosemarie Armendariz, Andrea Roman, and Nena Torres. Photo by IEHN

The Kiwanis Club of Greater San Bernardino celebrates 38 years of serving the greater community through social, education, charitable, and fund-raising activities. The service organization has received international, national, state and regional recognition based on its unique programs targeted toward the most deserved and to youth at the elementary through college level. The membership is composed of outstanding elected, community, education and social representatives, and is a role-model organization to the region. The Kiwanis Club of Greater San Bernardino installed its executive board and board of directors at the Shandin Hills Golf Club, San Bernardino, on Friday, September 30, 2005.

10TH ANNUAL EASTSIDE SOCCER CLINIC

RIVERSIDE, CA - On Saturday, October 8, 2005, the Riverside Police Department, in conjunction with UCR Police Department, California Highway Patrol, Riverside Sheriffs Office and the Corona Police Department, will present the 10th Annual Eastside Soccer Clinic. The event will be held at Bobby Bonds Park, located at 2060 University Avenue, from 8:30 AM to 2:00 PM.

The Eastside Soccer Clinic is hosted and sponsored by the "El Protector" coalition of local law enforcement agencies. The "El Protector" program is a community outreach program that helps to shape the future of local youth through community and law enforcement interaction.

Each year the soccer clinic serves economically underprivileged youth with local police officers for a festive day of fun, food, sports and entertainment. Parents are encouraged to accompany their children to the event and will be able to participate in two workshops, "Child Safety Seats" and "Keys to Success," to learn methods of safeguarding our children and advancing their education.

As in the past, coaches for the event include Police Officer Volunteers, UCR student organizations, and the UCR men and women’s soccer teams. Children throughout the day will be given instruction in soccer skills, team spirit, and community values. Each child will receive a free soccer ball and commemorative tee shirt.

The majority of the 300 children that will participate have been pre-registered over the past several weeks at local churches. Local clubs and community service groups will be providing information from informational booths at the event. Local law enforcement agencies and Riverside Fire Department will display vehicles and equipment, as well as a law enforcement helicopter, during the event.

Members of the media are welcome to attend the event. For more information about the 10th Annual Soccer Clinic, please contact Officer Phil Fernandez at (951) 826-5939.

COLOTV JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTION NOVEMBER 8, 2005

QUALITY EDUCATION FOR EVERY STUDENT GREATER ACCOUNTABILITY INCREASE STUDENT PERFORMANCE

VOTE FOR

MEL ROBERT DAVID

ALBISO ARMENIA, JR ZAMORA

Paid for by Committee to Elect David Zamora #1235662
CITY OF SAN BERNARDINO MAYORAL CANDIDATES FOR NOVEMBER 8th GENERAL ELECTIONS

San Bernardino County Judge

Patrick Morris

A changes on behalf of abused, risk children that led to institutional changes in the Juvenile Court and Children's Services. He later founded the County’s Children’s Network, an inter-agency resource system for at-risk children that has been nationally recognized.

In 1990, Judge Morris, serving as Supervising Criminal Law Judge, established one of the state's first drug treatment court programs. He advocated for the program on a national and international level for treatment alternatives of non-violent addicts in the Criminal Court System. Invited to the White House in 1994 and 1996, he witnessed the signing of the Anti-Crime Bill and the White House Leadership Conference on Youth, Drug Use and Violence, respectively.

Judge Morris appeared with Bill Moyers on National Public Television special, “Realizing America’s Hope” to help reform the way America delivers services to its children. That year, 1991, the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges awarded Judge Morris its highest award: Meritorious Service to the Juvenile Courts of America.

From 1988 to 1991, he co-chaired the Judicial Council of California Advisory Committee on Juvenile Law, which developed the Court Appointed Supervising Criminal Law Judge, established one of the state's first drug treatment court programs. He advocated for the program on a national and international level for treatment alternatives of non-violent addicts in the Criminal Court System. Invited to the White House in 1994 and 1996, he witnessed the signing of the Anti-Crime Bill and the White House Leadership Conference on Youth, Drug Use and Violence, respectively.

Judge Morris appeared with Bill Moyers on National Public Television special, “Realizing America’s Hope” to help reform the way America delivers services to its children. That year, 1991, the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges awarded Judge Morris its highest award: Meritorious Service to the Juvenile Courts of America.

From 1988 to 1991, he co-chaired the Judicial Council of California Advisory Committee on Juvenile Law, which developed the Court Appointed Supervising Criminal Law Judge, established one of the state's first drug treatment court programs. He advocated for the program on a national and international level for treatment alternatives of non-violent addicts in the Criminal Court System. Invited to the White House in 1994 and 1996, he witnessed the signing of the Anti-Crime Bill and the White House Leadership Conference on Youth, Drug Use and Violence, respectively.

Judge Morris appeared with Bill Moyers on National Public Television special, “Realizing America’s Hope” to help reform the way America delivers services to its children. That year, 1991, the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges awarded Judge Morris its highest award: Meritorious Service to the Juvenile Courts of America.
FIRST 5 RIVERSIDE LOOKS TO FUTURE WITH REVISED STRATEGIC PLAN

Commissioners pass guide for meeting needs of young children and families in next five years

RIVERSIDE, CA - The Riverside County Children & Families Commission has approved its revised guide for how it will devote resources for services to young children and their families over the next five years.

The revised Strategic Plan, approved Monday by First 5 commissioners, continues to establish a strong foundation for the future development of children by funding services and supporting a comprehensive system of care.

"One strength of Prop. 10 is its requirement that each county adopt a Strategic Plan to guide its commission in making the best possible use of tobacco tax funds to meet each county's specific needs," said Director Harry Freedman, executive director of First 5 Riverside.

"This emphasis on strategic planning and responsiveness to local needs is a powerful combination that increases our effectiveness," Freedman said. "While strategic planning may not sound like the most exciting work in the world, the impact of a good plan really makes the effort worthwhile.

Five years ago the Commission developed its first Strategic Plan, with significant community input and the best information, available. In early 2004, work began on revising that plan's content and approach; to incorporate what the Commission has learned about the community, providers, and promising practices.

Our community has certainly changed, and the Commission wants to ensure that the Strategic Plan continues to be meaningful," Freedman said. The sources of data used to guide conversation about the plan in open meetings included trend data on past and emerging indicators for young children and their families; input from Community Conversations held in spring 2004; and a review of programs funded under the first plan's goals and objectives, and the outcomes they produced.

A public hearing on the proposed plan was held July 25. The revised plan employs strategies linked to objectives that aim to accomplish three main goals: • Foster a healthy community and provide access to affordable, comprehensive and preventive mental and physical health services; • Expand the availability of quality, accessible and affordable child care services; • And educate Riverside County residents regarding the lifelong implication of optimal development through age 5.

Inland Empire Hispanic News

First 5 Riverside, also known as the Riverside County Children & Families Commission, is a public entity funded by Prop. 10 tobacco tax funds to support all children prenatal through age 5 and their families.

It was established by the Board of Supervisors in 1999 to implement the provisions of Prop. 10. First 5 Riverside invests in partnerships that deliver results in the areas of physical health, social-emotional health, cognitive development, a stable home environment and schools that are ready for all children.

HR TECHNICIAN

You'll provide comprehensive support in at least one of the following areas: Staffing, benefits, payroll, employee relations and support. Your role requires a background in human resources functions, functional communications skills, and a solid dedication to customer service. In addition, a HS diploma or equivalent, MS Office proficiency, and a high degree of confidentiality are a must.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Your attention to detail and expert multitasking ability are needed to process a variety of communications, coordinate travel arrangements, and prepare reports and correspondence. You'll also provide clerical support by maintaining calendars, scheduling meetings for the department. A HS diploma or equivalent and 2 years' administrative experience are a must along with MS Office and typing proficiency.

In addition to a competitive compensation package, you'll find a fun, fast-paced work culture and all the support you need to advance your career. To apply, please e-mail your resume and cover letter, with position of interest in the subject line, to target.c301jobs@target.com.

Don't miss our Job Fair this Spring for Warehouse Workers and Packers! Watch this paper for details.

NEW YORK, NY - Hispanics in the United States, the fastest-growing minority group, are increasingly the major driving force behind revenue growth in many consumer product and service markets, according to The U.S. Hispanic Market, a new report from market research publisher Packaged Facts, a division of MarketResearch.com.

Hispanics were responsible for 15.6% of the growth in aggregate consumer expenditures that occurred between 1998and 2003, the report noted. Total spending by Hispanic households increased by $140 billion during this period. Looking at specific markets, the report found that, between 1998-2003, Hispanics were responsible for nearly half (48.3%) of the growth in spending on cereals and cereal products and more than one-third (34.6%) of the growth in expenditures for furniture.

Between 1998 and 2003, total expenditures for men's and boys' apparel grew by only $141 million, but Hispanic expenditures increased by $2.2 billion.

Packaged Facts estimates that the buying power of the Hispanic market is currently $766 billion, and will approach $1.1 trillion by 2010.

"Although much has been written about the exploding Hispanic population in the U.S., we're only now starting to appreciate the true impact this growth is having in the marketplace," said Don Montouri, publisher of Packaged Facts. "Hispanics will account for one-sixth of the U.S. population by 2010, and no company can afford to overlook these consumers."

Now in its sixth edition, The U.S. Hispanic Market analyzes essential characteristics of the Hispanic population and assessing the role of Latinos in the American economy. The report examines the consumer dynamics of Latino families and their kids, provides a comprehensive analysis of the Latino family as a consumer unit, and highlights crucial aspects of consumer behavior on the part of Latino parents and their kids in a range of segments that include food at home, fashion and personal care, home furnishings, entertainment, motor vehicle purchases, eating out, and use of technology and the Internet.

About Packaged Facts

Packaged Facts, a division of MarketResearch.com, publishes research reports on a wide range of consumer industries, including consumer goods and retailing, foods and beverages, and demographics. For more information visit www.PackagedFacts.com or contact Irina Frukhtbeyn at 301-468-3650 x203, or ifrukhtbeyn@marketresearch.com.
CHAFFEY COLLEGE FINALIZES HISPANIC MONTH WITH MARIACHI UNDER THE STARS

The Chaffey College Foundation caps off Hispanic Heritage month with the Mariachi Under the Stars Music Festival on Saturday, October 15, 2005, from 4:00 pm to 11:00 pm. Proceeds from this event will benefit the Scholarship Fund.

Mariachi under the Stars will feature:
- Mexican Singing Sensation: Pablo Montero
- Grammy Nominated Mariachi Sol De Mexico de Jose Hernandez
- Mariachi Monumental de America
- Mariachi Imperial de Mexico de J. Mario Rodriguez
- Mariachi Las Adelitas de Jose Luis Salinas
- Mariachi Juvenil Fiesta Mexicana

For tickets, visit www.LatinHeatEvents.com or call 909-941-2765. General Admission: $20 Chaffey College Students (Must present Student ID) $40 $80 Lawn Seats, $120 VIP Lawn—VIP tickets include food & beverage.

ASSOCIATE VICE PRESIDENT, UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT
(Job Code #2005-0083)

California State University, San Bernardino, a dynamic and growing university, is seeking an experienced individual to be the chief fundraising officer who will be responsible for planning, coordinating, and implementing all fundraising and development activities for CSUSB. Requires five years of directly related experience in generating funds & the equivalent to a Bachelor's Degree. A Master's Degree desired.

SE RENTAN APARTAMENTOS

Espacios de una y dos recamaras y estudios, se mantienen con puertas de seguridad, localizados centralmente cerca de centros comerciales y escuelas.

SINFONIA MEXICANA
MUSICAL THEASURED OF MEXICO - TESOROS MUSICALES DE MEXICO, 1995 - 2005

20TH ANNIVERSARY SPECTACULAR

"La Jolla in San Bernardino"

Featuring the music of famous composers Agustin Lara, Jose Pabio Moncayo, Blas Galindo, Silvestre Ruedetlaz, Carlos Chavez, and the songs of Juan Gabriel and Maria Grever

LA JOLLA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

MONICA ABREGO, SOPRANO
MAESTRO JEFF NEVIN
JOSE MEDINA, TENOR

SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY TICKET PRICES $20, $25, $30
FOR TICKETS AND ANNIVERSARY CONCERT DISCOUNTS
CALL SINFONIA MEXICANA OFFICE
909-884-3228 OR TOLL FREE 1-800-901-5002 OR 1-866-687-4284
Inland Empire Hispanic News

Wednesday, October 5, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING

CONSOLIDATED HUD COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (CPD) GRANTS PROGRAM

2006-2007 Program Year

Each year, the County of San Bernardino applies for and receives federal grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as an entitlement County, for meeting housing, economic and community development needs. The County is now initiating its efforts to plan for the 2006-2007 Program Year, which will be the second year of the County’s 2005-2010 five-year consolidated plan. This notice has the purpose of: 1) providing information to the public about the grant programs that the County intends to apply for and the expected amount of assistance to be received; 2) identify the planning efforts to be undertaken by the County to meet federal requirements for consolidating the application submission for the federal grant programs into a single document for the 2006-2007 program year beginning July 1, 2006; and 3) to solicit project proposals for the County’s 2006-2007 Community Development Block Grant program. The federal grant programs to be applied for under the single application are the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG), the HOME Investment Partnerships Act (HOME), and the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

The County of San Bernardino has been designated by HUD to administer the 2006-2007 ESG and CDBG programs for the County unincorporated communities and the following 13 cooperating cities: Adelanto, Barstow, Big Bear Lake, Colton, Grand Terrace, Highland, Loma Linda, Montclair, Needles, Redlands, Twentynine Palms, Yucaipa, and Town of Yucca Valley. In addition to these cooperating cities, the County HOME program will cover the cities of Chino Hills, Rancho Cucamonga, and Rialto. The County’s Department of Community Development and Housing (CDH) is responsible for administering these grant programs including preparing the required consolidated plan for the single grant submission.

The County anticipates holding a Board of Supervisors hearing in February 2006 to update the five-year Community Development, Housing, and Economic Development needs originally identified in March of 2005. The County hearing to approve the updated 2005-2010 Consolidated Plan and the 2006-07 Action Plan will be held in March, 2006.

EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT (ESG) PROGRAM

The Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act provides federal funds to assist in alleviating homelessness. A portion of these funds are granted to local government for the ESG program. For 2006-2007, the County of San Bernardino anticipates receiving approximately $330,000 of HOME funds and approximately $150,000 of program income. Funds will be used to expand and improve facilities that provide shelter services. Projects funded under this program shall primarily benefit low- and moderate-income persons. Projects must provide emergency shelter services to persons who are homeless or those who have no fixed address or who are living in substandard housing. Projects may only be funded for one year. Applications are due in December and will be evaluated in January. The County’s ESG program is implemented in conjunction with the San Bernardino County Homeless Coalition. The County has reserved funds to make allocations to the Homeless Coalition to be used for programs to assist the homeless. For information about the requirements of the ESG program, please contact the CDH Housing Development and Finance Division at (909) 388-0900.

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS (HOME) PROGRAM

The HOME program was enacted under Title II of the Cranston-Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act (NAHA), approved on November 28,1990. This program provides federal funds to local governments to expand and preserve the supply of decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing. For the 2006-2007 program year, the County of San Bernardino expects to receive approximately $3,480,000 of HOME funds. It is anticipated that these funds will be used to benefit the County unincorporated communities and the cities listed above. The County’s HOME program will receive $1,050,000 of HOME funds and approximately $2,000,000 of program income during the program year beginning July 1, 2006.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

The Federal Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, provides federal Community Development Block Grant funds for projects that promote the development of viable urban communities by providing decent housing, suitable living environments and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate income. Entitlement communities develop their own programs and funding priorities. However, these grantees must give maximum feasible priority to activities, which either benefit low- and moderate-income persons, or aid in the prevention or elimination of blight or slums. In addition, activities may be carried out which the community certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community where other financial resources are not available to meet such needs. Activities, which do not meet one of these broad national objectives may not be undertaken with CDBG funds.

During the past 31 years, the County of San Bernardino has participated in the CDBG program as an "Entitlement Community." It is anticipated that the County of San Bernardino will receive approximately $8,600,000 of CDBG funds and approximately $2,000,000 of program income during the program year beginning July 1, 2006.

The County’s CDBG program can fund eligible housing, community and economic development activities, limited by the available amount of funds, in unincorporated portions of the County and in the thirteen (13) cooperating cities listed above. Aside from the County of San Bernardino, the cities of Chino, Chino Hills, Fontana, Hesperia, Ontario, Rancho Cucamonga, Redlands, San Bernardino, Upland, Victorville, and the Town of Apple Valley receive their own CDBG entitlement grants from HUD and conduct CDBG programs, within their corporate boundaries, that are separate from the County’s program. Proposals for projects within their cities should be directed toward their respective community development departments.

A general description for each CDBG eligible project type is given below. This listing is condensed and simplified from the CDBG regulations. The final decision as to whether a project is eligible or not will be made by referring directly to the CDBG regulations. Further, eligible activities must meet one of the following national objectives: 1) principally benefiting low- and moderate-income persons, 2) eliminating slums and blight, or 3) meeting an urgent need. The service area of projects, which qualify as principally benefiting low- and moderate-income persons must contain over 51 percent residents with incomes at or below 80 percent of the County's median household income. Maps depicting areas having over 51 percent low- and moderate-income persons can be obtained from CDH at the address shown below. Eligible projects, which provide direct services, must serve clientele composed of more than 51 percent low- and moderate-income persons. The types of projects and programs, which may be considered for funding, subject to national objectives compliance, are summarized as follows:

1. Acquisition by purchase, long-term lease, or donation of real property for an eligible public purpose. 2. Disposition real property acquired under the CDBG program. 3. Construction and Rehabilitation of certain publicly owned facilities, such as: (a) senior citizen centers, (b) parks and playgrounds, (c) centers for the handicapped, (d) community centers, (e) social care facilities, (f) fire protection facilities and equipment, (g) parking improvements, (h) sidewalks and street improvements, (i) water and sewer systems, (j) downtown beautification improvements, (k) flood control and drainage improvements, 4. Rehabilitation of Public or Privately-owned Housing for low- and moderate-income households. 5. Homeownership and Remediation of deteriorated buildings and land to abate blight. 6. Public Services that are new or expanding and are directed toward meeting employment, crime prevention, childcare, drug abuse prevention and other community service needs. 7. CDBG sub-recipients must be public or private non-profit organizations. By statute, no more than 15% of the County’s CDBG funds can be utilized each year for public or private non-profit organizations. 8. Intervene Assistance or temporary help to alleviate harmful or dangerous conditions. 9. Removal of Architectural Barriers that restrict the mobility and accessibility of elderly or severely disabled adults to publicly owned and privately owned buildings, facilities and improvements. Special Economic Development Activities that provide grants, loans, loan guarantees, technical assistance and other forms of necessary or appropriate support to private for-profit businesses including micro enterprises, for providing increasing employment opportunities for elders and other public benefits.

INFORMATION AND APPLICATIONS

If you have any questions or require further information about the CDBG program, please call (909) 388-0955. For inquiries regarding applications for the County's Senior Home Repair Grant Program and Home Rehabilitation Loan Program, please call (909) 388-0925.

REQUEST FOR CDBG PROJECT PROPOSALS

At this time, CDH is accepting CDBG project proposals for the 2006-2007 program year. Application forms are available from the following address and phone number. Also, the application forms can be accessed in PDF form on the CDH Web Page at http://www.co.san-bernardino.ca.us/cdh/community/default.htm. The deadline for submitting project proposals is Thursday, December 15, 2005.

County of San Bernardino; Department of Community Development and Housing; 290 North "D" Street, Sixth Floor; San Bernardino, CA 92415-0040; Telephone (909) 388-0800.
LATINA WOMEN'S HEALTH FORUM CONFERENCE
SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 8

The Latina Women's Health Forum will present its eleventh annual free health conference geared specifically for low-income Spanish speaking women from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, October 8, 2005. The conference will be held at the Riverside County Office of Education Conference Center, 9398 Thirteenth Street, and Riverside. Please enter at the corner of 12th and Almond streets. Breakfast will be provided. It will feature a keynote address, "The Truth About Cancer," by Dr. Israel De Alba, and blood and bone marrow donation information. The forum includes workshops, screening, information, and prizes. The Latina Women's Health Forum is committed to providing health conferences with resource materials free of charge to low-income Spanish speaking families. The conferences are conducted in Spanish and all sessions are interactive.

CONOZCA ALASKA!

Trident Seafoods está buscando personas para trabajar en nuestros plantas y barcos. Transportación gratis desde Seattle hasta el lugar de trabajo. Se requiere: Permiso para trabajar en el U.S., excelente salud, habilidad de trabajar de 16 a 18 hrs por día, pasar un examen físico y de drogas y hablar un poco inglés. Pago inicial desde $7.15, mas incentivos en los barcos. Las entrevistas serán en San Bernardino el día 14 de Octubre a las 9 am en el Quality Inn, 2000 Ostrems Way. Este aviso no es una oferta de trabajo. Los representantes estarán disponibles solo para entrevistarse y responder las preguntas sobre las condiciones del empleo. EOE.

For more information comuniquese 206-789-8545.

LATINA WOMEN'S HEALTH FORUM CONFERENCE
SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 8

The Latina Women's Health Forum will present its eleventh annual free health conference geared specifically for low-income Spanish speaking women from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, October 8, 2005. The conference will be held at the Riverside County Office of Education Conference Center, 9398 Thirteenth Street, and Riverside. Please enter at the corner of 12th and Almond streets. Breakfast will be provided. It will feature a keynote address, "The Truth About Cancer," by Dr. Israel De Alba, and blood and bone marrow donation information. The forum includes workshops, screening, information, and prizes. The Latina Women's Health Forum is committed to providing health conferences with resource materials free of charge to low-income Spanish speaking families. The conferences are conducted in Spanish and all sessions are interactive.

CONOZCA ALASKA!

Trident Seafoods está buscando personas para trabajar en nuestros plantas y barcos. Transportación gratis desde Seattle hasta el lugar de trabajo. Se requiere: Permiso para trabajar en el U.S., excelente salud, habilidad de trabajar de 16 a 18 hrs por día, pasar un examen físico y de drogas y hablar un poco inglés. Pago inicial desde $7.15, mas incentivos en los barcos. Las entrevistas serán en San Bernardino el día 14 de Octubre a las 9 am en el Quality Inn, 2000 Ostrems Way. Este aviso no es una oferta de trabajo. Los representantes estarán disponibles solo para entrevistarse y responder las preguntas sobre las condiciones del empleo. EOE.

For more information comuniquese 206-789-8545.

LATINA WOMEN'S HEALTH FORUM CONFERENCE
SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 8

The Latina Women's Health Forum will present its eleventh annual free health conference geared specifically for low-income Spanish speaking women from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, October 8, 2005. The conference will be held at the Riverside County Office of Education Conference Center, 9398 Thirteenth Street, and Riverside. Please enter at the corner of 12th and Almond streets. Breakfast will be provided. It will feature a keynote address, "The Truth About Cancer," by Dr. Israel De Alba, and blood and bone marrow donation information. The forum includes workshops, screening, information, and prizes. The Latina Women's Health Forum is committed to providing health conferences with resource materials free of charge to low-income Spanish speaking families. The conferences are conducted in Spanish and all sessions are interactive.

CONOZCA ALASKA!

Trident Seafoods está buscando personas para trabajar en nuestros plantas y barcos. Transportación gratis desde Seattle hasta el lugar de trabajo. Se requiere: Permiso para trabajar en el U.S., excelente salud, habilidad de trabajar de 16 a 18 hrs por día, pasar un examen físico y de drogas y hablar un poco inglés. Pago inicial desde $7.15, mas incentivos en los barcos. Las entrevistas serán en San Bernardino el día 14 de Octubre a las 9 am en el Quality Inn, 2000 Ostrems Way. Este aviso no es una oferta de trabajo. Los representantes estarán disponibles solo para entrevistarse y responder las preguntas sobre las condiciones del empleo. EOE.

For more information comuniquese 206-789-8545.

LATINA WOMEN'S HEALTH FORUM CONFERENCE
SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 8

The Latina Women's Health Forum will present its eleventh annual free health conference geared specifically for low-income Spanish speaking women from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, October 8, 2005. The conference will be held at the Riverside County Office of Education Conference Center, 9398 Thirteenth Street, and Riverside. Please enter at the corner of 12th and Almond streets. Breakfast will be provided. It will feature a keynote address, "The Truth About Cancer," by Dr. Israel De Alba, and blood and bone marrow donation information. The forum includes workshops, screening, information, and prizes. The Latina Women's Health Forum is committed to providing health conferences with resource materials free of charge to low-income Spanish speaking families. The conferences are conducted in Spanish and all sessions are interactive.

CONOZCA ALASKA!

Trident Seafoods está buscando personas para trabajar en nuestros plantas y barcos. Transportación gratis desde Seattle hasta el lugar de trabajo. Se requiere: Permiso para trabajar en el U.S., excelente salud, habilidad de trabajar de 16 a 18 hrs por día, pasar un examen físico y de drogas y hablar un poco inglés. Pago inicial desde $7.15, mas incentivos en los barcos. Las entrevistas serán en San Bernardino el día 14 de Octubre a las 9 am en el Quality Inn, 2000 Ostrems Way. Este aviso no es una oferta de trabajo. Los representantes estarán disponibles solo para entrevistarse y responder las preguntas sobre las condiciones del empleo. EOE.

For more information comuniquese 206-789-8545.