

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



**FROM:** Supervisor Buster

**SUBMITTAL DATE:** March 4, 2003

**SUBJECT:** Facilities Management Assessment of County Property in Lake Elsinore

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

That the Board of Supervisors direct the Facilities Management Department to conduct an assessment of the county-owned property at 117 S. Langstaff and Limited in Lake Elsinore, formerly occupied by the Superior Courts to determine the suitability of the building for rehabilitation into a transitional shelter for homeless persons in the Lake Elsinore area. The study would determine the costs of removing hazardous materials from the building and assuring that the facility meets the federal Americans with Disabilities Act requirements. The assessment must be completed by March 20, 2003.

**BACKGROUND:**

DPSS estimates that there are approximately 100 homeless/unsheltered persons living within or near the Lake Elsinore city limit. Recent newspaper articles have documented the existence of these people and the lack of supportive housing along the I-15 corridor. During the last two years, there have been discussions with city officials regarding the need for the development of shelter beds for this population.

The need is now critical as a result of a significant increase in the numbers of unsheltered in Lake Elsinore. The absence of a shelter puts the entire community at risk due to the limited access these persons have to health services, hygienic facilities, jobs and other supportive services.

The County needs to take steps to provide transitional services including shelter to these persons and to help them become self-sufficient members of the community.

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