

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



FROM: Supervisor Venable

SUBMITTAL DATE: September 10, 2004

SUBJECT: Allocation of Third District Developer Agreement Funds to the Riverside County Economic Development Agency in order to facilitate a fundraiser for the Riverside County Sheriff's Activities League (SAL).


RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board join with me to:

- 1) Approve the use of \$50,000 of Third District Public Facilities Developer Agreement Fund No. 30558 to give to the Riverside County Economic Development Agency in order to facilitate a fundraiser for the Riverside County Sheriff's Activities League (SAL);
- 2) Direct the Executive Office to process payment of \$50,000 from Third District Public Facilities Developer Agreement Fund 30558-1103500000 to the Riverside County Economic Development Agency's Fund 21100-1900500000-781540;
- 3) Direct the Auditor-Controller to increase the Riverside County Economic Development Agency budget fund 21100-1900500000-527780 by \$ 50,000; and
- 4) Authorize the Assistant County Executive Officer/EDA or his designee to enter into any and all contracts and/or agreements necessary to facilitate the fundraiser with an aggregate amount not to exceed the total approved above.

BACKGROUND: Every year during the holidays, the Hemet Sheriff Station's Sheriff's Activities League (SAL), a California non-profit, conducts a toy drive for the disadvantaged children from throughout the area. The SAL program receives lists of these needy youngsters from numerous non-profit sources such as the United Way, The Pantry and the R.S.V.P. program. Each year as these toys are purchased and distributed, it is obvious that the event is the highlight of the year for many of these little ones.

While this ongoing effort has been extremely commendable, there are never enough toys to match the need. I have been approached by a number of people in my district with an offer to help organize and conduct a trail ride to serve as a fundraiser for this worthy endeavor. Several planning meetings have been held to start organizing this event, and Saturday November 13, 2004 has been set as the date for the inaugural "Saddle Sores for Santa" trail ride, which will begin and end at the Southern California Fairgrounds at Lake Perris.

Because we desire that every dollar raised by the participants go to this important SAL program, I want to make Third District Developer Agreement funds available to help underwrite the logistics of this event if needed, and I have asked our Economic Development Agency staff to assist with the process. I urge the Board to support my request for the use of these funds and in so doing, make the upcoming holidays a more special time for children who need a little hope and cheer in their lives.


Jim Venable, Supervisor Third District

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