

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

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FROM: FIRE

SUBMITTAL DATE:
July 6, 2005

SUBJECT: Approve Riverside City Adoption of the Safely Surrender Baby Program

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors approve Riverside City adoption of the Safely Surrender Baby Program.

BACKGROUND: On March 22, 2005, the Board of Supervisors adopted the Safely Surrender Baby Program (Newborn Abandonment Law, SB 1386). The Board action designated fire stations as infant reception centers for child abandonment. On June 14, 2005, the Riverside City Council approved the adoption of this program designating city fire stations as "Safely Surrender Sites". Riverside City is requesting Riverside County Board of Supervisors approve the City's adoption of the "Safety Surrendered Baby" Program.

Departmental Concurrence

Craig E. Anthony

Craig E. Anthony, County Fire Chief

FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 0	In Current Year Budget:	N/A
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	N/A
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	05/06
SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A				Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30 <input type="checkbox"/>
				Requires 4/5 Vote <input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:
APPROVE

County Executive Office Signature

Bob Archibald

- Policy
- Consent
- Dept't Recomm.:
- Per Exec. Ofc.:
- Policy
- Consent

Prev. Agn. Ref.: _____ **District:** _____ **Agenda Number:** _____

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"People Serving
People"

CITY OF RIVERSIDE

June 29, 2005

Chief Craig Anthony
Riverside County Fire Department
210 West San Jacinto Avenue
Perris, CA 92570

Dear Chief Anthony:

The City of Riverside Fire Department is requesting the Riverside County Board of Supervisor's approval to become a participant in the "Safely Surrendered Baby" program. On June 14, 2005 the Riverside City Council approved the adoption of this program designating city fire stations as "Safe Surrender Sites".

In providing this public service, we will offer a safe alternative for parents seeking to relinquish their newborns and reduce the possibility of these infants being placed in solid waste receptacles, exposing them to possible injury or death. All City of Riverside Fire Stations are staffed with paramedics who can initiate a medical assessment on the infants, then arrange for ambulance transportation to a hospital emergency room.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (951) 826-5331.

Sincerely,

Tedd Laycock
Fire Chief

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