

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



**FROM:** Supervisor Buster

**SUBMITTAL DATE:** May 1, 2007

**SUBJECT:** Resource Center for Residents Facing Foreclosure

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors establish an ad hoc committee to assist residents who are in danger of losing their homes. The committee will work with the Fair Housing Council and be comprised of the following staff representatives: the Office of the Treasurer, the Assessor's Office, EDA Housing Authority, Executive Office, Department of Social Services, the District Attorney's Office and any other staff representative deemed necessary.

Staff will analyze, review and make recommendations on:

- 1). Improving information and assistance to residents facing foreclosure,
- 2). Educational assistance to borrowers,
- 3). Identifying target areas and proposing effective outreach to affected residents,
- 4). Improving existing programs that help people find other housing and prevent them from falling upon public assistance.

**BACKGROUND:** Riverside County has the largest number of foreclosures in Southern California. In the first quarter of this year foreclosures rose to 1,460 which is 10 times higher than the 144 homes that were foreclosed upon a year ago. The impact to borrowers facing foreclosure is immense. Often, borrowers experiencing foreclosure are forced to fall upon public assistance.

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