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



**FROM:** Commission for Women

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**  
November 24, 2014

**SUBJECT:** Commission for Women Annual Report [District- All] [Total Cost - \$0] [SOURCE OF FUNDS N/A]

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:  
1. Review and file the Commission for Women's Annual Report.

**BACKGROUND:**

**Summary**

The mission of the Commission for Women is to facilitate and advocate for women's issues in Riverside County. Through our networking with other commissions and women's groups throughout the county, state, and region, the Commission projects our voice and advocates for support and change on behalf of all women in this County. Annually, the Commission identifies concerns that affect the status of women, then seeks to increase visibility of those issues, and/or make recommendations to minimize the impact of those issues on women in Riverside County. The following report highlights the work of the Commission for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 (Attachment A).

Jennifer Fuller  
Chairperson  
Commission for Women

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost:	POLICY/CONSENT (per Exec. Office)
COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	Consent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Policy <input type="checkbox"/>
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:** N/A

Budget Adjustment: No  
For Fiscal Year: 2014/15

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:** APPROVE

BY:   
Samuel Wong

County Executive Office Signature

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

- A-30
- Positions Added
- 4/5 Vote
- Change Order

Prev. Agn. Ref.:

District: All

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**BACKGROUND:**

**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

The annual report has no impact on residents and businesses. However, through our advocacy we have a positive impact on the residents of Riverside County.



## *County of Riverside Commission for Women*



### ANNUAL REPORT

#### 2013/2014 Officers:

Chairperson: Jennifer Fuller, 1<sup>st</sup> District  
 Vice Chairperson: Kathi Scott, 5<sup>th</sup> District  
 Secretary: DeniAntionette Mazingo, 3<sup>rd</sup> District  
 Financial Officer: Lisa Piña, 2<sup>nd</sup> District

#### 2013/2014 Commissioners:

District 1: Cherie Curzon  
 District 1: Jennifer Fuller  
 District 2: Lisa Piña  
 District 2: Diane Rundles  
 District 3: Claudette Anderson  
 District 3: Deni Antionette Mazingo  
 District 4: Sonja Martin  
 District 4: Gayle Moore  
 District 5: Fonda McGensy  
 District 5: Kathi Scott

Commission Liaison: Sundae Sayles

#### Accomplishments for 2013/2014

- New Website – This year the Commission debuted a fresh new look for our website. The new website highlights organizations in the County which focus on women and girls. We plan to add information pertaining to the history of women especially women who have made a difference in Riverside County. Our website also has many useful links to services for women and children in the County.
- Women of the Year – On March 18<sup>th</sup> five amazing women were honored for working to bring about social and economic change, promote women's equality, serve as an outstanding role model to women and girls, work on behalf of women's issues or provide outstanding performance within a profession to further advocate for women's rights and improve the status of women in Riverside County. Each woman selflessly dedicates her time to improving our County.
- Young Lady of the Year – For the first year, the Commission honored young ladies in each of the districts who, like the women, serve as role models to girls and worked to improve the status of girls in the County.
- Support of Amelia's Light – For the second year, commissioners came together during the holidays to help support the families at Amelia's Light, a transitional shelter for women and children on the March Air Reserve Base.
- "Stuff the Bus" with Operation Safehouse – In November, the Commission assisted Operation Safehouse with their "Stuff the Bus" event. "Stuff the Bus" is sponsored by Operation SafeHouse. Operation SafeHouse provides emergency shelter, intervention, and outreach services to run away, homeless, and other youth in crisis in Riverside County. Commissioners helped to get the word out about the event and seek donations. When the bus stopped at the County Administrative Center, Commissioners helped to fill it with donations from employees in the building.

- Women's Policy Summit Attendance – Two commissioners attended the Women's Policy Summit in January obtaining information on the current status of women in California. Many important topics were discussed. The topic that resonated most with the commissioners was the processing of sexual assault kits throughout the County and State of California. The two commissioners continued to research the topic and in March there was a guest speaker Lieutenant Dan Ybarra, Hemet Sheriff's Station, to talk about the process of testing kits in Riverside County. Also, two commissioners worked with Hemet Valley Medical Center to create a sexual assault response team (SART) center at the medical center to service the Hemet/San Jacinto Valley. The SART center was approved by the medical center board in May of 2014.
- Silver Alert Support – Based on research by one of our commissioners, the commission has agreed to advocate for the silver alert, an alert similar to the Amber alert, but that is focused on individuals over 65.

#### **List of Guest Speakers and Topics**

- October 2013 –Assembly Member Jose Medina Representative: LaShe Rodriguez, District Representative for 61<sup>st</sup> Assembly District shared the projects the Assembly member is focused on.
- November 2013 – Assembly Member Eric Linder Representative: Sarah Wiltfong, Field Representative for 60<sup>th</sup> Assembly District shared the projects the Assembly member is focused on.
- December 2013 - Jericha Viduya, President, University of California Riverside "Rhythm and Brains" Club: Jericha shared with the Commission the work this club does to bring music to homeless and underserved children in the County.
- January 2014 - Representatives from both Supervisor Kevin Jeffries (Kayla Benites) and Supervisor John Benoit (Brittney Baird) shared information about the Youth Advisory Councils, how the councils work, and the projects the councils facilitate in each district.
- February 2014 - JulieAnn Stewart Cleveland, Executive at OUR TOWN, We Love Moreno Valley newspaper, shared with us her work on the newspaper which is free to residents. She also discussed her extensive charitable work.
- March 2014 - Lt. Dan Ybarra, Hemet Sheriff's Station, gave a presentation on the processing of sexual assault kits in Riverside County. He discussed the number of kits processed annually, the steps the kits go through, and how quickly the kits are evaluated.
- April 2014 – David Lewis, Executive Director of Riverside Medical Clinic Charitable Foundation. Mr. Lewis spoke to the Commission about the Anti-Bullying Institute and the anti-bullying conference they are hosting in October. He discussed some statistics around bullying and the work the Foundation is doing with Riverside Unified School District.

#### **Highlights from Annual Planning Meeting**

- Focus on social media and website development as goals for the year
- Focus on community organizations and how to further highlight them through the Commission.
- Changes to Women of the Year event to include Young Ladies
- Meyers Briggs Type Indicator MBTI<sup>®</sup> Team building exercise for commissioners.