

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



ITEM
2.11
(ID # 6552)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, March 13, 2018

FROM : EXECUTIVE OFFICE:

SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE OFFICE: Letters Sent to Riverside County's Legislative Delegation
and Pertinent Parties, [All Districts] [\$0]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Receive and file the Legislative letters sent from February 27, 2018 - March 5, 2018.

ACTION: Consent

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Tavaglione, seconded by Supervisor Ashley and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is received and filed as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Tavaglione, Washington, Perez and Ashley
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: March 13, 2018
xc: EO

Kecia Harper-Ihem
Clerk of the Board
By: Cecilia Gil
Deputy

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
NET COUNTY COST	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
SOURCE OF FUNDS:			Budget Adjustment:	No
			For Fiscal Year:	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

As per Board Policy A-27, the purpose of Riverside County's Legislative Program is to secure legislation that benefits the county and its residents, and to oppose/amend legislation that might adversely affect the County. Recognizing the need for consistency in conveying official positions on legislative matters, the county has instituted a coordinated process involving interaction between the Board of Supervisors, the County Executive Office, County agencies/departments, and the County's legislative advocates in Sacramento and Washington, D.C.

The Executive Office shall include a copy of the written correspondence that is not based on a specific Board vote as a consent item on the next Board agenda.

Summary

Since the last meeting of the Riverside County Board of Supervisors, the following letters were delivered to our legislative delegation and all pertinent parties in order to voice Riverside County's Support/Opposition:

Legislation/Policy: AB 1886

Position: SUPPORT - Per Legislative Platform

Recipient: The Honorable Marc Berman

Summary: AB 1886 provides much-needed certainty and fiscal relief for county budgets by providing reimbursement for special election costs.

Legislation/Policy: Adult Protective Services Program (APS) Home Safe

Position: SUPPORT

Recipient: The Honorable Dr. Joaquin Arambula & Dr. Richard Pan

Summary: With Home Safe, Riverside County could apply for grant funding that would allow its APS program to provide the necessary housing services they are currently unable to offer, such as short-term rental and utility assistance, heavy cleaning, immediate mental health treatment, and intensive case management to ensure clients can maintain their homes. Home Safe is a critical step towards ending homelessness among victims of elder abuse and neglect. For this reason, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors supports this request for a one-time funding augmentation to the APS program.

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE,
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Legislation/Policy: AB 862 Social Innovation Financing

Position: SUPPORT - Per Legislative Platform

Recipient: The Honorable Nancy Skinner

Summary: The County of Riverside is committed to a thoughtful response to the county's criminal justice system responsibilities, which have expanded significantly in recent years following legislatively directed and voter-approved corrections reforms. One of the county's areas of interest is examining how to address the intergenerational impacts of justice involvement. The County is developing a program to deliver wrap-around services to reduce risk factors and develop resiliency among children whose parents are incarcerated. AB 862 would give counties an opportunity to once again seek funding for innovative programs that are likely to improve outcomes and save public funds over time.

Legislation/Policy: AB 2137 Regional Parks and Open Space Districts

Position: SPONSOR - Per Legislative Platform

Recipient: The Honorable Chad Mayes

Summary: AB 2137, would increase from \$25,000 to \$50,000 the no-bid purchasing authority granted to the general manager of the Riverside County Regional Park and Open Space District (RCRPOSD). Under current law, Section 5549 of the Public Resources Code grants the general manager of any park or open-space district specified duties and authorities, including – subject to the board's approval – the authority to enter into no-bid contracts of up to \$25,000. This section previously has been expanded to increase the no-bid authority from \$25,000 to \$50,000 in three specified districts. AB 2137 would increase the no-bid threshold for the Riverside County parks district to match the authority previously granted to three districts. The County is seeking to increase RCRPOSD's General Manager purchasing limits to match other county division head limits.

ATTACHMENTS:

- AB 1886 Letter
- Home Safe Proposal Letter
- AB 2137 Letter
- AB862 Letter

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AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MARCH 23, 2017

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2017–18 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 862

Introduced by Assembly Member Maienschein

February 16, 2017

An act to amend ~~Section 97009~~ *Sections 97010, 97011, 97013, and 97015* of the Government Code, relating to corrections.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 862, as amended, Maienschein. Social innovation financing.

Existing law, until January 1, 2022, establishes the Social Innovation Financing Program to award grant funding to 3 counties to reduce recidivism through contracts between the government, private investors, and service providers pursuant to which private investors agree to provide financing to service providers to achieve social outcomes agreed upon in advance, and the government agency agrees to pay a return on the investment to the investors if successful programmatic outcomes are achieved by the service provider. *Existing law, upon appropriation by the Legislature, requires the Board of State and Community Corrections to issue grants in an amount of not less than \$500,000 and not more than \$2,000,000 to each county selected, up to a maximum of \$5,000,000.*

This bill would ~~make technical, nonsubstantive changes to those provisions~~ *require the board to select 6 counties to receive funding and would require the board to issue grants in an amount of not less than \$300,000 and not more than \$2,000,000, up to a maximum of \$10,000,000. The bill would extend the program until January 1, 2025.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: ~~no~~ yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 97010 of the Government Code is
2 amended to read:

3 97010. (a) There is hereby established the Social Innovation
4 Financing Program.

5 (b) The board shall administer the Social Innovation Financing
6 Program.

7 (c) (1) The board shall solicit proposals for social innovation
8 financing from county boards of supervisors and shall select ~~three~~
9 six counties to receive grant funding.

10 (2) Before awarding a grant pursuant to paragraph (1), the board
11 shall evaluate the quality of the proposal for which the grant is to
12 be awarded.

13 (3) At a minimum, each application for a grant shall include all
14 of the following:

15 (A) A description of the proposed social program.

16 (B) A description of the organization's experience in providing
17 the proposed social program.

18 (C) A description of the financial stability of the organization.

19 (D) An identification of each component of the social program
20 to be provided.

21 (E) A description of the manner in which the social program
22 will be provided.

23 (F) A description of the recruitment or selection process, or
24 both, for participants in the social program.

25 (G) The proposed quantifiable results and performance
26 thresholds upon which success of the social program will be
27 measured.

28 (H) An itemization of all expenses proposed to be reimbursed
29 under the contract.

30 (I) The amount of matching funds provided by the county.

31 (J) A description of how the final payments for successful
32 programmatic outcomes will be calculated and structured in the
33 contract.

34 (K) A description of all parties to the proposed contract,
35 including prospective investors and philanthropic foundations.

36 SEC. 2. Section 97011 of the Government Code is amended to
37 read:

1 97011. (a) Upon appropriation of funds by the Legislature for
2 deposit in the Recidivism Reduction Fund for the purposes of this
3 title, the board shall award a grant in an amount of not less than
4 ~~five~~ *three* hundred thousand dollars ~~(\$500,000)~~ *(\$300,000)* and
5 not more than two million dollars (\$2,000,000) to each county
6 selected pursuant to Section 97010 for the purposes of entering
7 into a pay for success or social innovation financing contract. The
8 total amount of the grants awarded pursuant to this section shall
9 not exceed ~~five~~ *ten* million dollars ~~(\$5,000,000)~~ *(\$10,000,000)*.
10 Any unused state moneys shall revert to the General Fund.

11 (b) Each county contract described in subdivision (a) shall
12 include all of the following:

13 (1) A requirement that the payment be conditioned on the
14 achievement of specific outcomes based upon defined performance
15 targets.

16 (2) An objective process by which an independent evaluator,
17 selected by the county, will determine whether the performance
18 targets have been achieved. This process shall include defined
19 performance metrics and a monitoring plan.

20 (3) A calculation of the amount and timing of payments that
21 would be earned by the service provider during each year of the
22 agreement if performance targets are achieved as determined by
23 the independent evaluator.

24 (4) A determination by the county that the contract will result
25 in significant performance improvements, such as a reduction in
26 rearrests or an increase in the number of jail days avoided, and
27 budgetary savings if the performance targets are achieved.

28 (5) A requirement that an amount equal to a minimum of 100
29 percent of the Social Innovation Financing Program grant awarded
30 to the county be matched by other county, federal, private, or
31 philanthropic, funds. The board may adopt regulations allowing
32 in-kind contributions in lieu of monetary contributions for this
33 purpose.

34 (c) Up to 10 percent of the grant funds awarded pursuant to this
35 title may be used by the counties for administrative expenses
36 related to the development of the pay for success or social
37 innovation financing contract. The remainder of the grant shall be
38 contributed toward final payments to investors for successful
39 programmatic outcomes achieved, as stipulated in the contract.

1 (d) If, after receiving a grant pursuant to this title, a county does
2 not enter into a contract for which the grant was awarded, the
3 county shall return all moneys awarded by the board pursuant to
4 this title, to the state.

5 *SEC. 3. Section 97013 of the Government Code is amended to*
6 *read:*

7 97013. (a) Each county receiving an award shall report
8 annually to the board on the status of its ongoing social innovation
9 financing program. The report shall also contain an accounting of
10 the moneys awarded.

11 (b) The board shall compile the county reports and submit a
12 summary report to the Governor and Legislature annually.

13 (c) A report made pursuant to this section shall be made in
14 accordance with the requirements of Section 9795.

15 ~~(d) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1,~~
16 ~~2022, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute,~~
17 ~~that is enacted before January 1, 2022, deletes or extends that date.~~

18 *SEC. 4. Section 97015 of the Government Code is amended to*
19 *read:*

20 97015. ~~This title shall remain in effect only until January 1,~~
21 ~~2022, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute,~~
22 ~~that is enacted before January 1, 2022, deletes or extends that date.~~

23 *This title shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2025, and*
24 *as of that date is repealed.*

25 ~~SECTION 1. Section 97009 of the Government Code is~~
26 ~~amended to read:~~

27 97009. (a) ~~It is the intent of the Legislature that, as part of the~~
28 ~~package to reduce recidivism in California, the concept of "pay~~
29 ~~for success" or social innovation financing should be included to~~
30 ~~take advantage of available philanthropic and private investment.~~

31 (b) ~~The Legislature hereby declares that a variety of approaches~~
32 ~~have been shown to be successful in reducing recidivism, including~~
33 ~~addressing homelessness, substance use disorder, and~~
34 ~~unemployment among specific demographic groups.~~

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2137

Introduced by Assembly Member Mayes

February 12, 2018

An act to amend Section 5549 of the Public Resources Code, relating to parks and recreation.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2137, as introduced, Mayes. Regional park and open-space districts: general manager: powers.

Existing law generally authorizes the general manager of any park or open-space district, with district board approval, to bind the district, in accordance with board policy, and without advertising, for the payment for supplies, materials, labor, or other valuable consideration for any purpose in amounts not exceeding \$25,000. However, existing law grants that authority to the general managers of the East Bay Regional Park District, the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District, and the Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District with respect to the payment of amounts not exceeding \$50,000.

This bill would also grant that authority with respect to the payment of amounts not exceeding \$50,000 to the general manager of the Riverside County Regional Park and Open Space District.

This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the Riverside County Regional Park and Open Space District.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 5549 of the Public Resources Code is
2 amended to read:
- 3 5549. (a) The general manager has the following administrative
4 and executive functions, powers, and duties. The general manager
5 shall do all of the following:
- 6 (1) Enforce this article and all ordinances and regulations of the
7 district.
- 8 (2) Appoint and remove subordinates, clerks, and other
9 employees, and exercise supervision and control over all
10 departments and offices of the district, subject to the personnel
11 rules, civil service or merit system, and policies adopted by the
12 board.
- 13 (3) Attend all meetings of the board unless excused by the board.
- 14 (4) Submit to the board for adoption any measures, ordinances,
15 and regulations he or she deems necessary or expedient.
- 16 (5) Enforce all terms and conditions imposed in favor of the
17 district or its inhabitants in any contract and report any violations
18 to the board or the police department, as appropriate.
- 19 (6) Prepare and submit the annual budget to the board and
20 perform all other duties imposed by this article or by the board.
- 21 (b) (1) With the approval of the board, the general manager
22 may bind the district, in accordance with board policy, and without
23 advertising, for the payment for supplies, materials, labor, or other
24 valuable consideration for any purpose, including new construction
25 of a building, structure, or improvement, in amounts not exceeding
26 twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000). All expenditures shall be
27 reported to the board of directors at its next regular meeting.
- 28 (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), with the approval of the
29 board, the general manager of the East Bay Regional Park District,
30 the general manager of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space
31 District, ~~and the general manager of the Sonoma County~~
32 ~~Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District District, and~~
33 ~~the general manager of the Riverside County Regional Park and~~
34 ~~Open Space District~~ may bind those districts, in accordance with
35 board policy, and without advertising, for the payment of supplies,
36 materials, labor, or other valuable consideration for any purpose,
37 including new construction of a building, structure, or
38 improvement, in amounts not exceeding fifty thousand dollars

1 (\$50,000). All expenditures shall be reported to the board of
2 directors at its next regular meeting.

3 SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares that a special statute
4 is necessary and that a general statute cannot be made applicable
5 within the meaning of Section 16 of Article IV of the California
6 Constitution because of the unique financial situation of the
7 Riverside County Regional Park and Open Space District.

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1886

Introduced by Assembly Member Carrillo
(Coauthor: Assembly Member Berman)

January 18, 2018

An act to amend Section 13001 of the Elections Code, relating to elections.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1886, as introduced, Carrillo. Payment of expenses.

Existing law requires that all expenses authorized and necessarily incurred to prepare for and conduct an election be paid from the county treasuries, except as otherwise provided.

This bill would require the state to pay expenses authorized and necessarily incurred to prepare for and conduct certain vacancy elections, as specified.

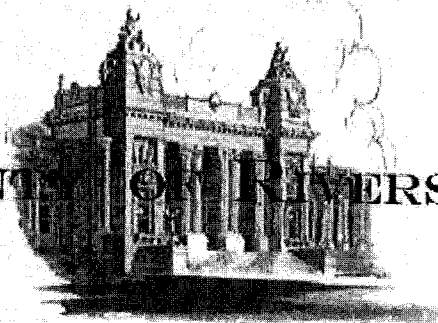
Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 13001 of the Elections Code is amended
2 to read:
3 13001. ~~All~~ (a) *Except as provided in subdivision (b), all*
4 *expenses authorized and necessarily incurred in the preparation*
5 *for, and conduct of, elections as provided in this code shall be paid*
6 *from the county treasuries, except that when an election is called*
7 *by the governing body of a city the expenses shall be paid from*
8 *the treasury of the city. All payments under this subdivision shall*

- 1 be made in the same manner as other county or city expenditures
2 are made. ~~The~~
3 *(b) (1) The state shall pay all expenses authorized and*
4 *necessarily incurred on or after January 1, 2017, in preparation*
5 *for, and conduct of, elections called by the Governor to fill a*
6 *vacancy in the following offices:*
7 *(A) State Senator.*
8 *(B) Member of the Assembly.*
9 *(C) United States Senator.*
10 *(D) Member of the United States House of Representatives.*
11 *(2) If a vacancy election for an office specified in this*
12 *subdivision is consolidated with a statewide or local election, the*
13 *state shall only pay those additional expenses directly related to*
14 *the vacancy election.*
15 *(c) The elections official, in providing the materials required*
16 *by this division, need not utilize the services of the county or city*
17 *purchasing agent.*

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March 1, 2018

The Honorable Marc Berman, Chair
Assembly Elections and Redistricting Committee
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 1886 (Carrillo): Payment of Expenses
Awaiting hearing: Assembly Elections and Redistricting Committee
County of Riverside: SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Berman:

On behalf of the Riverside County Board of Supervisors, I write to express our strong support for Assembly Bill 1886, Assembly Member Wendy Carrillo's measure to provide reimbursement for costs associated with special legislative or congressional election after January 1, 2017. Such reimbursement was provided to counties from 1993-2007; since then, a growing number of special elections to fill vacancies have been called, creating a fiscal burden on California counties.

Special elections are, by their very nature, unanticipated and require additional preparation, materials, and outreach, making them expensive when compared with regularly timed elections. The County carefully budgets its resources and unforeseen costs associated with special elections necessarily divert resources from other local programs and services.

The state calls special elections to fill vacancies; the state should then fund such elections. AB 1886 provides much-needed certainty and fiscal relief for county budgets by providing reimbursement for these election costs.

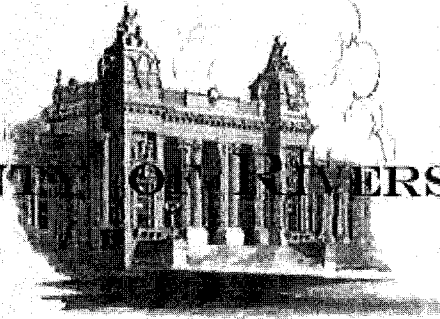
If you have any questions about the County's position, please do not hesitate to contact Deputy County Executive Officer, Brian Nestande at (951) 955-1110 or bnestande@rivco.org.

Sincerely,

Chuck Washington
Chairman, Riverside County Board of Supervisors

cc: Members and Consultants, Assembly Elections and Redistricting Committee
The Honorable Wendy Carrillo, California State Assembly
Riverside County Legislative Delegation

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The Honorable Dr. Joaquin Arambula
Chair, Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 1
State Capitol, Room 5155
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Adult Protective Services Program (APS) Home Safe: Homelessness Prevention for
Vulnerable Seniors
Per Legislative Platform: SUPPORT

Dear Dr. Arambula:

On behalf of the Riverside County Board of Supervisors, I am writing in support of providing \$15 million State General Fund on a one-time basis to establish Home Safe, a homelessness prevention demonstration grant program for victims of elder abuse and neglect served by county-run Adult Protective Services (APS). The proposed one-time investment would allow participating counties to demonstrate over three years how providing short-term housing crisis intervention services can help APS victims recover, rebuild, and find safety in their own homes after experiencing abuse and neglect.

Between 2010 and 2017, the average annual population of Riverside County residents age 65 and above increased by 4% and is expected to grow by 56% over the next 10 years. In 2017, approximately 7.5% of our unsheltered homeless population was age 62 and above.

Research shows homeless adults are at higher risk of chronic health problems and are likely to die younger than those who are housed. For many victims the health hardships of homelessness exacerbate the physical and emotional wounds of abuse and neglect, leading to increased emergency room visits and accelerated entry into nursing home care, both at high cost to the state and to taxpayers. With a lack of affordable housing and limited, often fixed incomes for seniors and persons with disabilities, homelessness prevention is necessary. The Home Safe demonstration program builds on the best practices and evidence-based principles of rapid re-housing, a cost-effective approach that the Legislature has supported in recent years.

The Honorable Dr. Joaquin Arambula
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Home Safe is a critical step towards ending homelessness among victims of elder abuse and neglect. For this reason, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors supports this request for a one-time funding augmentation to the APS program. If you have any questions about the County's position, please do not hesitate to contact Deputy County Executive Officer, Brian Nestande at (951) 955-1110 or bnestande@rivco.org

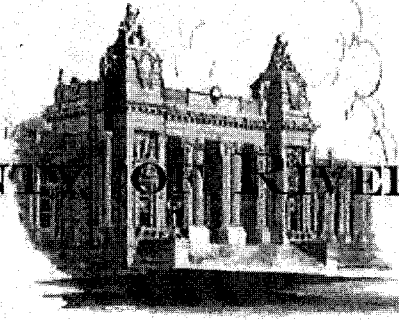
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cc: The Honorable Philip Y. Ting, Chair, California State Assembly Budget Committee
The Honorable Anthony Rendon, Speaker, California State Assembly
Members, Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 1
Riverside County Legislative Delegation
Nicole Vazquez, Consultant, Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 1
Alex Kahn, Consultant, Assembly Republican Caucus
County Welfare Directors Association of California

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The Honorable Dr. Richard Pan
Chair, Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Subcommittee No. 3
State Capitol, Room 5114
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Adult Protective Services Program (APS) Home Safe: Homelessness Prevention for
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Per Legislative Platform: SUPPORT

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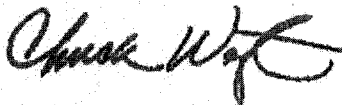
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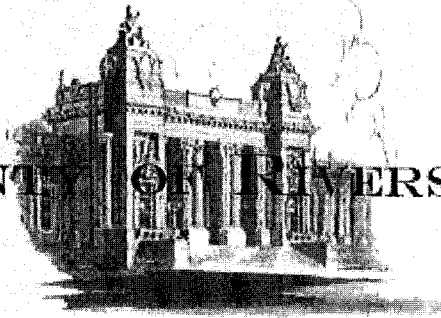
Sincerely,



Chuck Washington
Chairman, Riverside County Board of Supervisors

cc: The Honorable Holly J. Mitchell, Chair, California State Senate Budget Committee
The Honorable Toni Atkins, President pro Tempore, California State Senate
Members, Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Subcommittee No. 3
Riverside County Legislative Delegation
Theresa Peña, Consultant, Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee
Rebecca Hamilton, Consultant, Senate Republican Fiscal

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March 5, 2018

The Honorable Chad Mayes
Member, California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 4098
Sacramento CA 95814

RE: AB 2137 (Mayes) – Regional Parks and Open-Space Districts; General Manager Powers
As introduced 2/12/2018 – SPONSOR- Per Legislative Platform
Awaiting hearing – Assembly Local Government Committee

Dear Assembly Member Mayes:

On behalf of the Riverside County Board of Supervisors, I write to affirm our sponsorship and support of AB 2137, your measure that would increase from \$25,000 to \$50,000 the no-bid purchasing authority granted to the general manager of the Riverside County Regional Park and Open Space District (RCRPOSD). This measure awaits hearing in the Assembly Local Government Committee

Under current law, Section 5549 of the Public Resources Code grants the general manager of any park or open-space district specified duties and authorities, including – subject to the board's approval – the authority to enter into no-bid contracts of up to \$25,000. This section previously has been expanded to increase the no-bid authority from \$25,000 to \$50,000 in three specified districts. AB 2137 would increase the no-bid threshold for the Riverside County parks district to match the authority previously granted to three districts: East Bay Regional Park District, Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District, and Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District. As with the district-specific increases previously authorized, RCRPOSD's general manager would be required to report to the board at its next regular meeting regarding any no-bid expenditures up to the \$50,000 limit.

The County is seeking to increase RCRPOSD's General Manager purchasing limits to match other county division head limits. Over time, general cost increases have effectively reduced RCRPOSD's purchasing power. Further, the District estimates that it sees, on average, five bids annually that exceed the \$25,000 threshold. Each bid costs an average of \$8,459 in associated administrative and processing functions. If granted an increase in the no-bid purchasing authority

The Honorable Chad Mayes

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up to \$50,000, the District could put the administrative costs now going toward bid preparation to better use in support of RCRPOSD's mission.

AB 2137 is a narrowly drafted measure that would offer needed administrative and financial relief to the County. We thank you for your leadership in authoring this measure and stand ready to assist you as it makes its way through the legislative process. If you have any questions about the County's position, please do not hesitate to contact Deputy County Executive Officer, Brian Nestande, at (951) 955-1110 or bnestande@rivco.org.

Sincerely,

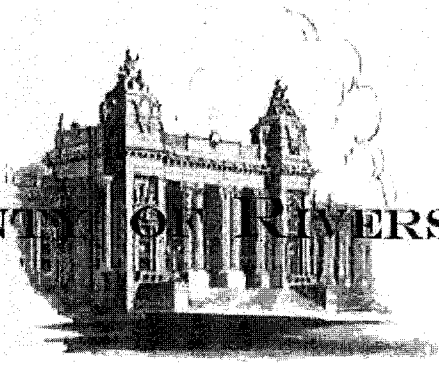
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Chairman, Riverside County Board of Supervisors

cc: Members and Consultants, Assembly Local Government Committee
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The Honorable Nancy Skinner
Member, California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 2059
Sacramento CA 95814

RE: AB 862 (Maienschein) – Social Innovation Financing
As proposed to be amended - SUPPORT
Awaiting hearing – Senate Public Safety Committee

Dear Senator Skinner:

On behalf of the Riverside County Board of Supervisors, I write in support of AB 862, Assembly Member Brian Maienschein's measure that would authorize three additional counties to seek financing through a pay-for-success or social innovation financing model. AB 1837 (Atkins, 2014) authorized this financing model for programs that seek to improve social outcomes; programs are underway in three counties, each of which focuses on reducing recidivism among a targeted group of the adult criminal justice population. As proposed to be amended, AB 862 will incorporate technical changes to clarify that the proposed pay-for-success opportunity contemplated in Assembly Member Maienschien's measure is separate and apart from the pay-for-success programs now underway pursuant to AB 1837.

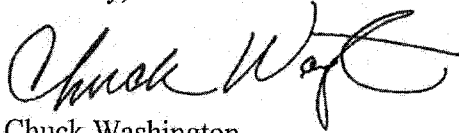
The County of Riverside is committed to a thoughtful response to the county's criminal justice system responsibilities, which have expanded significantly in recent years following legislatively directed and voter-approved corrections reforms. One of the county's areas of interest is examining how to address the intergenerational impacts of justice involvement. The County is developing a program to deliver wrap-around services to reduce risk factors and develop resiliency among children whose parents are incarcerated. Research shows that this population is more likely to become involved in the justice system, faces more financial and emotional stresses, and encounters more health issues than their peers who do not have an incarcerated parent.

We appreciate that AB 862 would give counties an opportunity to once again seek funding for innovative programs that are likely to improve outcomes and save public funds over time. Riverside County is interested in the public-private financing model that would be authorized in this measure.

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For these reasons, Riverside County is in support of AB 862, and we encourage your committee's most positive consideration of this measure. Should you have any questions regarding our position, please do not hesitate to contact Deputy County Executive Officer, Brian Nestande, at (951) 955-1110 or bnestande@rivco.org. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Chuck Washington
Chair, Riverside County Board of Supervisors

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