

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



ITEM: 2.16  
(ID # 19843)

MEETING DATE:  
Tuesday, August 30, 2022

**FROM :** HOUSING AND WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS AND SUPERVISOR PEREZ :

**SUBJECT:** HOUSING AND WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS / COMMUNITY ACTION COMMISSION AND SUPERVISOR PEREZ: Riverside County Community Action Commission Appointment of Maribel Gale; District 4. [\$0]

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the appointment of Maribel Gale to the Riverside County Community Action Commission as a Low-Income Sector Representative, Alternate.

**ACTION:** Consent

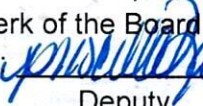
  
Heidi Marshall, Director 8/18/2022

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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Spiegel, seconded by Supervisor Perez and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez, and Hewitt  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Date: August 30, 2022  
xc: HWS, BOS- District 4, Commission, Appointee, COBLW/AB

Kecia R. Harper,  
Clerk of the Board  
By:   
Deputy

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<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	<b>Current Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Next Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Total Cost:</b>	<b>Ongoing Cost</b>
<b>COST</b>	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
<b>NET COUNTY COST</b>	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS: NA</b>			<b>Budget Adjustment: No</b>	
			<b>For Fiscal Year: 2022/23 - 2023/24</b>	

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:** [CEO use]

**Type of Nomination:**

Low-Income Sector Representative, Alternate

**Member Name/Professional Affiliation:**

Maribel Gale

**Address:**

140 Willow Lake Drive  
Palm Desert, CA, 92260

**Telephone:** (760) 636-2499

**Email:** Maribel-Gale@olivecrest.org

**Term of Appointment:** August 30, 2022, through August 30, 2024 (two-year term).

**BACKGROUND:**

The Riverside County Community Action Commission (CAC) was formally established by the Board of Supervisors to provide guidance on anti-poverty programming, funding and to amplify the needs of low-income communities and residents. The primary responsibility of the CAC is to work collaboratively with the Riverside County Community Action Partnership (CAP) to implement funding allocated via the federally funded Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) program within Riverside County. In accordance with the Riverside County Board of Supervisor's Policy A- 21, Advisory Boards, Commissions and Committees, the CAC advises the Riverside County Board of Supervisors consistent with the Delineation of Powers Agreement between Governing Board and the Community Action Commission.

The CAC is a tripartite commission composed of a minimum of fifteen (15) members representing three sectors: one-third (1/3) shall represent the Public Sector; one third (1/3) shall be low-income individuals or shall be representatives of the low-income community; and one third (1/3) shall represent the Private Sector as members of business, industry, labor, religious, education or other major group and interests in the community served. All members shall

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represent a Riverside County supervisorial district and shall be formally appointed by the Board of Supervisors.

Maribel Gale's statement of interest shares that her family has lived below the poverty level and knows firsthand what it feels like to struggle to make ends meet. Gale affirms that she will use all her personal experiences to help educate and advocate for self-sufficiency and available resources, "*que, Si Se Puede!*" (*It Can Be Done!*) says, Gale. She is interested in identifying and filling the gap of needed resources and funding with available grant opportunities. Through seeking strategic partnerships with businesses, organizations, and leaders throughout Riverside County, Gale hopes to add sustainable support and help families grow/educate themselves out of poverty. She is a single mother of two teens and is happy to say that she no longer falls below the federal poverty guidelines.

Gale works for Olive Crest (nonprofit), focusing on child abuse prevention and family crisis serving low-income families. Over the years has held different positions including Parent Partner, helping caregivers strengthen their relationships with their children or foster children in their home, and as an advocate for the family in school, court, or other situations. As a Resource Specialist, she has assisted wrap-around teams throughout Riverside County to help families find resources, advocate for them, facilitated monthly parent support groups, planned special events, and fundraising. Currently, as Development Manager, she works at the Palm Desert office and occasionally assists the Riverside office with Church and Community Engagement. Working for a nonprofit has allowed her the opportunity to be active in our community and meet with community leaders, volunteers, donors, and join the Coalition of Human Trafficking. Gale was a previous CASA, sworn in by a judge to be a Court Appointed Special Advocate for neglected and or abused children. Gale is in the process of creating a Latinx Advisory Board for Olive Crest to better equip programs to serve in the Coachella Valley and throughout Riverside County.

Maribel Gale was chosen in accordance with the democratic selection procedures set forth in the Low-Income Commissioner Election Policy during a virtual election that closed on July 17, 2022. If appointed, her term shall be two years and she must continue to reside in the area selected to represent, in accordance with the Riverside County Community Action Commission bylaws. Her two-year term will begin on August 30, 2022, and will expire on August 30, 2024.

**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

The Community Action Commission (CAC) has a positive impact on residents and businesses as the CAC seeks to address poverty and economic opportunities for all residents.