

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



**ITEM: 3.21
(ID # 30392)**

MEETING DATE:
Tuesday, May 05, 2026

FROM : BOS DISTRICT 5

SUBJECT: BOS DISTRICT 5: Approve the use of District 5 Unincorporated Communities Initiative funds in the amount of \$500,000 for the D5 Furry Pets Foster Care program in collaboration with the Department of Animal Services; District 5. [Total Cost \$500,000-100% UCI District 5 Fund 11270] (4/5th Vote Required)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the use of Unincorporated Communities Initiative funds in the amount of \$500,000 for the D5 Furry Pets Foster Care program in collaboration with the Department of Animal Services; and
2. Authorize the Director of Animal Services, or designee, to continue implementing the program.
3. Approve and direct the Auditor-Controller to make the budget adjustment on the attached Schedule A.

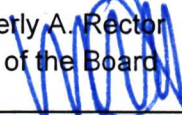
ACTION:Policy


Supervisor Yxstian Gutierrez 5/1/2026

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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

Ayes: Medina, Spiegel, Washington, and Perez
Nays: None
Absent: Gutierrez
Date: May 5, 2026
xc: BOS-D5

Kimberly A. Rector
Clerk of the Board
By: 
Deputy

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$ 500,000	\$ 0	\$ 500,000	\$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: 100% UCI District 5 Fund 11270			Budget Adjustment: Yes	
			For Fiscal Year: 25/26	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

BACKGROUND:

Summary

The D5 Furry Pets Foster Care program aims to achieve the following goals: increase adoptions and help pets in District 5 find homes, reduce the number of pets housed in kennels in the shelter to allow other stray animals to get the help they need, and lastly, prevent euthanasia of adoptable pets by finding temporary placements for these animals.

The Fifth District Supervisorial Office would like to allocate an additional \$500,000 in Unincorporated Communities Initiative funding to continue supporting this program. The following changes described below will be implemented in the program moving forward to ensure the program's effectiveness.

The D5 Furry Pets Foster Care program will provide approved District 5 residents with a stipend of \$10 per night for fostering a pet in need or up to \$20 per night if a resident fosters a pair of dogs, or a litter of puppies or kittens over 8 weeks of age. Pets who are eligible to be fostered through this program are dogs, puppies, and/or kittens, over 8 weeks of age, that have been in the San Jacinto Animal Campus for longer than 30 days. Fostering is limited to two pets per address.

If a foster parent can get their foster pet adopted into a new home (or if the foster parent themselves adopts their foster pet) within two weeks or less of fostering, a \$600 bonus will be given to the foster parent. All adoption paperwork must be completed and finalized, and the pet must not be returned within 30 days, for the foster parent to be eligible for the stipend. If an adopter is not found after two weeks, the foster parent can continue to foster the pet, choose to adopt the pet(s) at no charge, or return them to the animal shelter once they are done fostering the pet.

Residents must complete a sign up and approval process to enroll in the program. The sign up and approval process can be done in person or online and is available in English and Spanish. Approved residents will be provided with basic supplies to foster pets as well.

To participate in the D5 Furry Pets Foster Care Program individuals must:

- A. Complete the Animal Services sign-up form (available online).
- B. Choose a pet from the San Jacinto Valley Animal Campus that meets the criteria stated above.

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- C. Watch an orientation video- this can be done from home.
- D. Be 18 years or older and be residents of District 5.

Residents are encouraged to serve as adoption ambassadors to help their foster pets find their new homes. During the time of fostering, foster parents will be asked to seek adoption placement for the animals in their care. This could include posting pictures and information on social media sites, introducing foster pets to friends and family interested in adoption, or taking them to pet friendly locations in the community.

If a potential adopter wants to adopt a foster pet, Animal Services will complete the adoption process for the adopter at no charge. Adoption paperwork can be completed in person or online.

Impact on Residents and Businesses

In the previous round of funding, a total of 611 pets were helped through this program. Of the 611 pets, 92 were adopted. D5 Furry Pets program effectively helped extend pets' lives, relieve shelter capacity, and reduce euthanasia rates.

Additionally, this program supports the Department of Animal Services mission in "Working Together to Improve Riverside County for People and Animals," and increases the department's efforts to help move pets from shelters into stable, forever homes.

The program will continue to benefit citizens and animals by providing a toolkit and supplies for foster parents to use to help promote foster pets. It also will continue to assist in managing/addressing the pet population and encouraging county residents to foster and adopt pets.

ATTACHMENTS

Schedule "A" BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

Schedule "A"

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

Increase Revenue:

10000 – 4200600000 - 790600	Contributions from Other Funds	\$500,000
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Increase Appropriations:

10000 - 4200600000 - 523270	Special Events	\$500,000
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Flores, Kate

From: Acquia Mail
Sent: Monday, May 4, 2026 12:22 PM
To: ba4612442@gmail.com
Cc: Clerk of the Board
Subject: Request to Speak Web Submission



Thank you for submitting your request to speak. The Clerk of the Board office has received your request and will be prepared to allow you to speak when your item is called. To attend the meeting, please call (669) 900-6833 and use **Meeting ID # 864 4411 6015 . Password is 20260505**. You will be muted until your item is pulled and your name is called. Please dial in at 9:00 am with the phone number you provided in the form so you can be identified during the meeting.

Submitted on May 4, 2026

Submitted values are:

First Name

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Last Name

Anderson

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Phone

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Email

ba4612442@gmail.com

Agenda Date

05/05/2026

Agenda Item # or Public Comment

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State your position below

Support

Online

Did not speak

Riverside County Board of Supervisors Request to Speak

Submit request to the Clerk of the Board (right of podium), Speakers are entitled to three (3) minutes, subject to Board Rules listed on the reverse side of this form. The Board may limit the public input on any item, based on the number of people requesting to speak and the business of the Board.

SPEAKER'S NAME: Brad Anderson

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #: _____

Date: _____ Agenda # 3.21

PLEASE STATE YOUR POSITION BELOW:

Position on "Regular" (non-appealed) Agenda Item:

_____ Support _____ Oppose _____ Neutral

Note: If you are here for an agenda item that is filed for "Appeal", please state separately your position on the appeal below:

_____ Support _____ Oppose _____ Neutral

I give my 3 minutes to: _____

Parking validations available for speakers only – see Clerk of the Board.

(Revised: 04/23/2025)

BOARD RULES

Requests to Address Board on "Agenda" Items:

You may request to be heard on a published agenda item. Requests to be heard must be submitted to the Clerk of the Board before the scheduled meeting time.

Requests to Address Board on items that are "NOT" on the Agenda:

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these rules, member of the public shall have the right to address the Board during the mid-morning "Oral Communications" segment of the published agenda. Said purpose for address must pertain to issues which are under the direct jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors. YOUR TIME WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES. The Board may limit the public input on any item, based on the number of people requesting to speak and the business of the Board.

Power Point Presentations/Printed Material:

Speakers who intend to conduct a formalized Power Point presentation or provide printed material must notify the Clerk of the Board's Office by 12 noon on the Monday preceding the Tuesday Board meeting, ensuring that the Clerk's Office has sufficient copies of all printed materials and at least one (1) copy of the Power Point CD. Copies of printed material given to the Clerk (by Monday noon deadline) will be provided to each Supervisor. If you have the need to use the overhead "Elmo" projector at the Board meeting, please ensure your material is clear and with proper contrast, notifying the Clerk well ahead of the meeting, of your intent to use the Elmo. **Speakers are prohibited from bringing signs, placards, or posters into the hearing room.**

Individual Speaker Limits:

Individual speakers are limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes. The Board may limit the public input on any item, based on the number of people requesting to speak and the business of the Board. Please step up to the podium when the Chair calls your name and begin speaking immediately. Pull the microphone to your mouth so that the Board, audience, and audio recording system hear you clearly. Once you start speaking, the "green" podium light will light. The "yellow" light will come on when you have one (1) minute remaining. When you have 30 seconds remaining, the "yellow" light will begin flash, indicating you must quickly wrap up your comments. Your time is up when the "red" light flashes. The Chair adheres to a strict three (3) minutes per speaker. ***Note: If you intend to give your time to a "Group/Organized Presentation", please state so clearly at the very bottom of the reverse side of this form.***

Group/Organized Presentations:

Group/organized presentations with more than one (1) speaker will be limited to nine (9) minutes at the Chair's discretion. The organizer of the presentation will automatically receive the first three (3) minutes, with the remaining six (6) minutes relinquished by other speakers, as requested by them on a completed "Request to Speak" form, and clearly indicated at the front bottom of the form.

Addressing the Board & Acknowledgement by Chair:

The Chair will determine what order the speakers will address the Board and will call on all speakers in pairs. The first speaker should immediately step to the podium and begin addressing the Board. The second speaker should take up a position in one of the chamber aisles to quickly step up to the podium after the preceding speaker. This is to afford an efficient and timely Board meeting, giving all attendees the opportunity to make their case. Speakers are prohibited from making personal attacks, and/or using coarse, crude, profane or vulgar language while speaking to the Board members, staff, the public and/or meeting participants. Such behavior, at the discretion of the Board Chair may result in removal from the Board Chambers by Sheriff Deputies.