

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



ITEM: 3.3
(ID # 30773)

MEETING DATE:
Tuesday, July 14, 2026

FROM : BOS DISTRICT 5

SUBJECT: BOS DISTRICT 5: Approve the allocation of Fifth District Unincorporated Communities Initiative (UCI) funds to fund multiple programs serving the District 5 community. [\$1,028,000 Total Cost - 100% UCI District 5 Fund 11270] (4/5 Vote Required)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the Fifth District Unincorporated Communities Initiative (UCI) project outlined below; and
2. Direct the Executive Office to pay \$1,028,000 from the Unincorporated Communities Initiative Fund to HWS - Workforce Development Division and to RCIT - Broadband Services, in their respective amounts.
3. Authorize the Director of each department, or a designee, to coordinate and execute the respective programs in which funding is allocated towards.

ACTION:Policy


Supervisor Yxstian Gutierrez 6/30/2026

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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

Ayes: Medina, Spiegel, Perez, and Gutierrez
Nays: None
Absent: Washington
Date: July 14, 2026
xc: BOS-D5, EO

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	\$ 1,028,000	\$ 0	\$ 1,028,000	\$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 1,028,000	\$ 0	\$ 1,028,000	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: 100% UCI District 5 Fund 11270			Budget Adjustment:	No
			For Fiscal Year:	26/27

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

BACKGROUND:

Summary

On November 17, 2020, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors (Board) directed the Executive Office to implement an Unincorporated Communities Initiative (UCI). The UCI is a focused, ongoing, and coordinated effort to improve the infrastructure and services provided to the residents of unincorporated communities, with emphasis on Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUCs). The program is funded through the General Fund/Net County Cost (NCC) monies from the County during the annual budget and quarterly budget revision process.

Based on the foundational work completed by the UCI Team and further analysis by the Office of Supervisor Gutierrez, \$1,028,000 of the remaining available UCI funding for the Fifth District will be allocated towards funding programs for the District 5 community, which include the Youth Community Corps Program, the 2nd Chance Program, the Hire D5 Program, the Homeless to Work Program., and the Tech on Wheels Program.

These programs were previously funded by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). The goal of this new allocation is to fund these programs through UCI funding so they can continue serving the residents of District 5 beyond their initial ARPA allocation.

In total, \$450,000 of the proposed amount will be allocated towards Tech on Wheels specifically. The remaining \$578,000 will be allocated towards the programs executed by HWS - Workforce Development.

The following programs will be executed by HWS – Workforce Development Division:

Youth Community Corps

2nd Chance

Hire D5

Homeless to Work

The following programs will be executed by RCIT- Broadband Services:

Tech on Wheels

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Impact on Residents and Businesses

The “Youth Community Corps” program aims to help youth residing in the Fifth District, ages 18-26, gain work experience in the public sector. The intent of this program is to help youth work for government agencies residing in the Fifth District. Youth will work for 12 weeks at \$18/hour for 20 hours per week. Previously, this program helped over 55 youth gain meaningful work experience in the public sector, creating sustainable pathways for long-term success and for youth to obtain government careers.

The “2nd Chance” program aims to help justice-involved and/or justice-impacted youth in the Fifth District, ages 16-24, find employment in the private sector for a business in District 5. The intent of this program is to help youth overcome barriers to gain valuable work experience and develop skills for self-sufficiency. Youth in this program receive supportive services such as case management and direct mentorship. Youth will work for 12 weeks at \$16/hour for 20 hours a week. Previously, this program helped over 100 youth gain meaningful work experience in the private sector, building sustainable pathways towards brighter futures and second chances.

The “Hire D5” program aims to promote local hiring within the Fifth district. This program provides stipends to business in District 5 for hiring residents, seniors (55+), and/or veterans living in District 5. Small businesses with less than 10 employees receive a stipend of \$2,500 per resident, senior, and/or veteran hired, after 90 days of hiring. Businesses with more than 10 employees receive a stipend of \$1,500 per resident, senior, and/or veteran hired, after 90 days of hiring. Businesses can hire up to five individuals. Residents, seniors, and/or veterans who are hired also receive a stipend of \$1,000 after 90 days of being hired. Previously, this program helped over 50 businesses in District 5 hire over 170 residents, seniors, and veterans, promoting economic growth and business development in the Fifth District.

The “Homeless to Work” program aims to address homelessness in the San Geronio Pass Area, by providing transitional employment, housing, and training to unhoused individuals. Program participants work on beautification projects throughout the Pass Area for 90 days at \$16/hour, for 20 hours per week. During the program duration, participants receive life skills training, supportive services for permanent employment, and housing resources. Previously, this program helped over 90 people with employment, housing, and other wrap-around services, effectively addressing homelessness in the Pass Area and creating better futures for D5 residents.

The “Tech on Wheels” program aims to deliver technology support services directly to the Fifth District community. Two Tech on Wheels vans, staffed with trained professionals, travel throughout District 5 providing residents with digital skills training, mobile internet access, and assistance with accessing online services on resident’s personal devices, including their smartphones, tablets and computers. The intent of this program is to bridge the digital divide across the Fifth District. Since January 2025 the Tech on Wheels program has helped over 3,000 residents during more than 350 events, ensuring District 5 residents have the tools and support necessary to thrive in our ever-changing digital world.