

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

January 27, 2026

FROM

JESSE ARMENDAREZ, Second District Supervisor, Board of Supervisors

SUBJECT

Board of Supervisors Discretionary Fund – District Specific Priorities Program

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. Approve **Contract No. 26-49** with the City of Fontana to contribute funding from the 2025-26 Second District's Board of Supervisors Discretionary Fund – District Specific Priorities Program budget to support the Downtown Economic Development Plan, focusing on cultural programming, artist development, small business activation, and expanded community outreach, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$150,000, for the period of January 27, 2026 through January 26, 2028.
2. Approve **Contract No. 26-50** with the Fontana Unified School District to contribute funding from the 2025-26 Second District's Board of Supervisors Discretionary Fund – District Specific Priorities Program budget towards implementation of the Crisis Alert Platform Program for \$418,500 and to provide financial support to the Summit High School Cheer Boosters programs for \$15,000, in the not-to-exceed total amount of \$433,500, for the period of January 27, 2026 through December 31, 2027.
3. Approve **Contract No. 26-51** with The Rivers Edge Ranch to contribute funding from the 2025-26 Second District's Board of Supervisors Discretionary Fund – District Specific Priorities Program budget towards the launch of the Women's River's Edge Ranch, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$125,000, for the period of January 27, 2026 through January 26, 2027.
4. Approve **Contract No. 26-52** with Thundar Lightning and Peace to contribute funding from the 2025-26 Second District's Board of Supervisors Discretionary Fund – District Specific Priorities Program budget to support their efforts serving veterans and first responders, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$50,000, for the period of January 27, 2026 through January 26, 2027.

(Presenter: Jesse Armendarez, Second District Supervisor, 387-4833)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Promote the Countywide Vision.

Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents.

Pursue County Goals and Objectives by Working with Other Agencies and Stakeholders.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Approval of this item will not result in the use of additional Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). On September 21, 2021 (Item No. 18), November 16, 2021 (Item No. 33), February 6, 2024 (Item No. 61), June 11, 2024 (Item No. 110), April 29, 2025 (Item No. 86), and June 10, 2025 (Item No. 136), the Board of Supervisors (Board) approved an allocation of \$4

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million, \$7 million, \$6 million, \$3 million, \$2.5 million, and \$2.5 million, respectively, to the Board Discretionary Fund – District Specific Priorities Program (Priorities Program), for each of the five supervisorial districts for projects that meet a public purpose, and provide services to citizens that promote health, safety, economic well-being, and other public services that enhance quality of life and meet the needs of County residents. On an annual basis, unspent appropriations for discretionary funding will be carried over into the subsequent year’s budget.

The recommended projects will be funded by the Second District’s Priorities Program budget.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Priorities Program projects help promote the vision of a complete County by recognizing the unique traits of each Supervisorial District and, thereby, allow individual Board Districts to work with community partners through County services and contractual agreements to identify programs, projects, and initiatives that support the vision, meet a public purpose and provide services to residents that promote health, safety, economic well-being, education, recreation, and other public services that enhance quality of life and meet the needs of the County’s residents. Projects under the Priorities Program are based on District Supervisor discretion and are presented by each District Supervisor for Board approval.

Recommendation No. 1 will assist the City of Fontana (Fontana) by contributing funding to support the Downtown Economic Development Plan focusing on cultural programming, artist development, small business activation, and expanded community outreach. This contract serves the public purpose of providing for the cultural, educational and social service needs of the Second District’s residents by hosting free or low-cost family-friendly and community-centered cultural events to expand access for low-income families in underserved neighborhoods, supporting cultural and educational events led by Grammy award-winning producer Iz Avila, promoting local artists, and generating economic activities for local small businesses. This contract pursues County goals and objectives by working with other agencies and stakeholders. Fontana acknowledges and agrees that it will make a matching contribution of at least 25% of the total cost of the project per County Policy 05-10.

Recommendation No. 2 will assist the Fontana Unified School District (FUSD) by providing funding towards implementation of the Crisis Alert Platform Program (Crisis Alert) and the Summit High School Cheer Boosters (Boosters) programs. The financial support of \$418,500 to the Crisis Alert program will enhance school safety infrastructure, improve coordination with local law enforcement, and enable faster, more reliable responses to both routine incidents and large-scale emergencies. The financial support of \$15,000 to Boosters will assist their cheer program costs related to competition entry fees, travel and lodging costs to competitions, uniforms, training camps, and other necessary expenses required to support and maintain three competitive cheer teams at the freshman, junior varsity, and varsity levels. This contract serves the public purpose of providing for the safety, health, recreational and educational needs of residents. FUSD acknowledges and agrees that it will make a matching contribution of at least 25% of the total cost of the project per County Policy 05-10.

Recommendation No. 3 will assist The Rivers Edge Ranch (Ranch) by providing funding to support the launch of the Women’s River’s Edge Ranch located at 6867 Deep Creek Rd, Apple Valley, California. This contract serves the public purpose of providing for the health, safety and social service needs of residents by supporting women in recovery and working toward long-term independence through treatment and supportive programs provided by the Ranch. The

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Ranch is a non-profit organization. Per County Policy 05-10, non-profit organizations are not required to provide a minimum 25% matching contribution to the projects.

Recommendation No. 4 will assist Thundar Lightning and Peace (TLP) by providing funding to support their efforts to strengthen wellness, outreach, and community programs serving veterans and first responders in San Bernardino County's Second District. This contract serves the public purpose of promoting the health, safety and social service needs of residents through providing medic bags, blankets, meals, hygiene resources, wellness visits, outreach and community engagement events for veterans and first responders. TLP is a non-profit organization. Per County Policy 05-10, non-profit organizations are not required to provide a minimum 25% matching contribution to the projects.

Under the Board Discretionary Fund Priorities Program contract terms, the CEO, at the direction of the Second District Supervisor, may extend the terms of the contracts, in writing, under the following conditions:

- a. In aggregate, all extensions do not exceed 12 calendar months;
- b. Is specifically requested by the contractor;
- c. Will not change the project goals or scope of services;
- d. Is in the best interest of the County and contractor in performing the scope of services under the contract; and
- e. Does not alter the amount of compensation under the contract.

Board discretionary funding allocations under the Priorities Program with community partners must be for projects or services of \$10,000 or more as described in County Policy 05-10. Additionally, contracts that include non-profit organizations, government entities, or educational institutions are non-competitive. Contracts with community partners that include for-profit organizations are to be processed according to existing County procurement policies. Contracts with other government agencies or for-profit organizations require a matching contribution of at least 25% of the proposed projects. All contracts shall be paid on a lump-sum basis or under other terms as approved by the Board.

PROCUREMENT

No applicable.

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Julie Surber, Principal Assistant County Counsel, 387-5455) on January 9, 2026; and County Finance and Administration (Penelope Chang, Principal Administrative Analyst, 387-4886) on January 8, 2026.

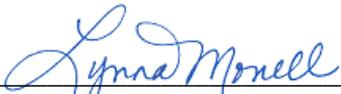
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Record of Action of the Board of Supervisors
San Bernardino County

APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)

Moved: Curt Hagman Seconded: Joe Baca, Jr.
Ayes: Jesse Armendarez, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca, Jr.
Absent: Col. Paul Cook (Ret.)

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY  _____
DATED: January 27, 2026



cc: BOS - Chang w/agree
 Contractor - c/o BOS w/agree
 File - w/agree
MBA 01/29/2026