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REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

July 11, 2024

6:00 PM

**Municipal Advisory Council
Casa Conejo, California**

**Walnut Elementary School
Multipurpose Room
581 Dena Drive
Newbury Park, CA 91320**

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MAC Calendar, Agenda, and Minutes

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OPENING

1. Call to Order.
2. Roll Call.
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13. Presentation by Erik Sternad, Executive Director, Interface Children and Family Services

The Director of 211 will be making a presentation on the broad range of services that 211 provides to the community in the areas of housing/homeless services, food assistance, healthcare, mental health, crisis intervention, legal assistance, and services for families, youth, and seniors. **RECEIVE AND FILE**

14. Update on Ventura County Municipal Advisory Council Policies

The Board of Supervisors adopted the new Policy on June 18. It goes into effect immediately. This document is intended to align and standardize the 4 MACs in District 2, and to ensure MACs are carrying out the intended mandate government code 31010 which is to make sure the unincorporated areas of the county are receiving fair and adequate representation.

15. 3-5 Year Plan – Next Steps

MAC Member Brendon Garcia and Field Representative Israel Rodriguez will be discussing next steps for the 3–5-year plan and provide a template for developing goals and objectives that will be in line with the new MAC policy manual and state mandated MAC duties and responsibilities.

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CLOSING

16. Adjournment of the Casa Conejo Municipal Advisory Council meeting to the next meeting, September 12, 2024, at Walnut Elementary School, 581 Dena Drive, Newbury Park, CA 91320



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1. Call to Order. Meeting Started at 6:02 PM
2. Roll Call. Members Present: **Chair Debbie Hannah, Vice Chair Brendon Garcia, Scott Horn, Rob Alvidrez, David Ayers, Richard Gaz**
3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.
4. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting of the Casa Conejo Municipal Advisory Council held on Thursday, March 14, 2024.
 - Motion Made by **Brendon Garcia**, Seconded, by **Scott Horn**. Motion passed.
5. Agenda Review.
6. Consent Agenda Items 10 through 12.
 - Motion Made by **Brendon Garcia**, Seconded by **David Ayers**. Motion Passed.
7. Public Comments – Citizen presentations regarding Casa Conejo Municipal Advisory Council related matters NOT appearing on this agenda. (See Guidelines above).

Speakers:

 - **Wendy Zimmerman** spoke on the importance of having and wearing emergency dog-tags which could help in the event someone gets hurt.
 - **Henry Vargas** is concerned about weeds and trash in front of a neighbor's house and asked about what can be done to address the situation.
8. Office of Ventura County Supervisor Jeff Gorell's Comments – Brief announcements and report on County activities.
 - **Supervisor Gorell** spoke about the recent PIT Count and the rise of homelessness in District 2. As a result, the Board of Supervisor's passed a measure to fund more resources to address the homelessness situation including the addition of 8 new homeless liaison deputies, funding of \$2.9 million for un-housed and recently broke ground for supportive housing project in Thousand Oaks which is funded in part by the County.
 - Proposition 1 passed which shifts money from early preventive health settings to brick and mortar facilities to directly help this who are resistant to support. Takes money away from mental health in schools to more chronic and challenging conditions. Usually, cities provide brick-and-mortar support for those who need it the most and counties provide the services.

- A question was asked about the impact of Proposition 1. Will the shifting of funds create more issues? **Supervisor Gorell** said that we still do not know how it will impact our communities, but this County has a good record of working with our mentally ill and we will need to look at more ways to fund the areas that are losing funding. Question from audience about the issue with the City of Thousand Oaks and the Shangri-La project. **Supervisor Gorell** stated that your local elected officials acted in good faith but were deceived by the financial situation with that organization handling the construction of the project. Contracts are difficult but not criminal and have to be addressed through civil process which is slow and difficult. Hopefully, the City of Thousand Oaks can jump back on the track and find a new partner because the need is there.
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- **Vice Chair, Bendon Garcia:** Commented on the progress on the Firewise Committee.
 - **Scott Horn:** Spoke about the Conejo Valley Day's Parade and how it honored Donna Fargo, the individual who founded the parade. Employees from Eddie's Towing helped decorate and provided the truck for the parade. **Susie Harrison**, who has worked on Rose Parade floats, helped provide direction for the design. Scott stated he felt it was a good thing to do for the community. There will be a Casa Conejo concert on May 25th from 6:30 to 9:30 PM. Bringing in some great talent for the concert. BBQ precedes the concert.

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by ALL vehicle occupants. This coincides with the nationwide “Click it or Ticket” campaign, which runs May 20th to June 2nd.

- The CHP Moorpark Area continues to send Special Enforcement Units (SEU) to conduct targeted patrols throughout Casa Conejo. Citations are being issued for unsafe turns, unsafe passing, posted signage violations, unsafe speed, and various parking violations. Targeted patrols help saturate an area where multiple violations are known to be happening at once so multiple violations can be addressed in the area simultaneously. We also continue to monitor the parking of recreational and oversized vehicles in violation of the Casa Conejo ordinance.
- May is National Bicycle Safety month. Bicyclists have all the rights and responsibilities of a motor vehicle driver and are responsible for complying with the California Vehicle Code (CVC). Bicycle crashes can cause serious, potentially life-threatening injuries. All bicyclists should wear properly fitted bicycle helmets every time they ride – wearing a helmet is the single most effective way to prevent head injury resulting from a crash.
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11. Ventura County Fire Department

- Annual notices for the Ventura County Fire Department’s Fire Hazard Reduction Program have been sent to about 18,000 property owners in high fire hazard areas covered by the program. Those owners have until June 1 to trim vegetation, remove dead branches, clear roofs and gutters and take other fire hazard reduction steps outlined by the Fire Code.
- The Ventura County Fire Department is moving into its new headquarters at 2400 Conejo Spectrum Street in Thousand Oaks throughout May. Front desk operations for plan submittals, reviews payments and other needs will start at the new headquarters May 20. Those operations will continue at the existing Camarillo headquarters until May 31.
- Graduation for the firefighter trainees of Academy 61 is scheduled for May 24, starting at 1 p.m. at the Regional Training Center 104 Durley Ave. in Camarillo. **RECEIVED AND FILED**

12. Ventura Sheriff Department During the months of March and April deputies responded to 9 calls for service.

- There was 1 arrest made by deputies from a traffic enforcement stop.
- Theft by false pretense: Victim conducted an internet search for a company to make a return of a purchase. Due to a large data breach from a corporation the victim’s identity was used to open credit accounts in their name. The victim was then contacted via a messaging service and a suspect attempted

to extort the victim for money. The case is under investigation by East County Major Crimes.

- There was a report of elder abuse. The victim was battered by the child. Deputies responded and arrested the suspect. The victim was granted a temporary restraining order.

There was one residential burglary in the area. This occurred during daytime hours. Cash, jewelry, electronics items, and miscellaneous documents were taken. This case is a similar M.O. to other burglaries we are investigating. There was a suspect vehicle description, and the Career Crimes Unit is conducting the investigation. **RECEIVED AND FILED**

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13. Public Works Request Update Report – March & April

For the month of March 2024 there were 5 work requests sent to Public Works using the VCPWA Connect Portal. All five requests were for Road Maintenance Issues. Out of the 5 requests 3 have been completed and 2 remain open.

For the month of April 2024 there was 1 work request sent to Public Works using the VCPWA Connect Portal. The one request was for Road Maintenance for the filling of a pot hole on Jenny Drive. The request has been completed and closed.

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14. Updates to the Resolution & Area Map for the Casa Conejo Municipal Advisory Council & Creation of Municipal Advisory Council Policies

In an effort to improve operation of MACs countywide, the need for clearly defined roles, responsibilities, processes, and procedures has been made apparent. Accordingly, a new Resolution and Municipal Advisory Councils Policies document has been created to help standardize MAC operations. Both the policies manual and Resolution for Casa Conejo were covered by **Field Representative, Israel Rodriguez** and discussion from MAC Members took place about the various sections.

The MAC Board Members summited a motion advising that the term and policy regarding MAC Member terms (Section: MAC Member Appointments & Elections, Item # 10, that MAC Members terms be coterminous be stricken and removed from the policy manual and that a new section added regarding the live streaming of meetings be added to the document. **Scott Horn** made the motion,

and it was seconded, **by Chair Debbie Hannah**. The Motion passed. **RECEIVED AND FILED**

15. Casa Conejo MAC Legislative Committee Updates

Training for the Casa Conejo Legislative Committee took place on April 10th. The committee had an opportunity to provide suggestions to Supervisor Gorell for the April 23rd Board of Supervisors Meeting. The Committee provided a recommendation to Supervisor Gorell on item 33 of the agenda to ensure that the Public Works Agency and the eventual selected contractor allow an opportunity for the Casa Conejo MAC to participate in the Vision Zero Plan for the County Unincorporated Areas. In addition, discussion took place on agenda items 18-20 concerning Camarillo Airport Improvements and whether funds were available for traffic and noise consideration. The airport improvement plans are solely for improvements to the airport runways and hangers. Finally, there was discussion on agenda item #6 in support of green school initiatives and seeing if similar grant opportunities could be provided for District 2 schools. **RECEIVED AND FILED**

16. 3-5 Year Plan – Next Steps

Due to time constraints this item was tabled until the next scheduled MAC meeting on July 11th, 2024.

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CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL

To: The Casa Conejo MAC c/o Supervisor Gorell's office

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July 8, 2024

Attn: Supervisor Jeff Gorell and Municipal Advisory Committees

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VENTURA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

M E M O R A N D U M



DATE: July 8, 2024
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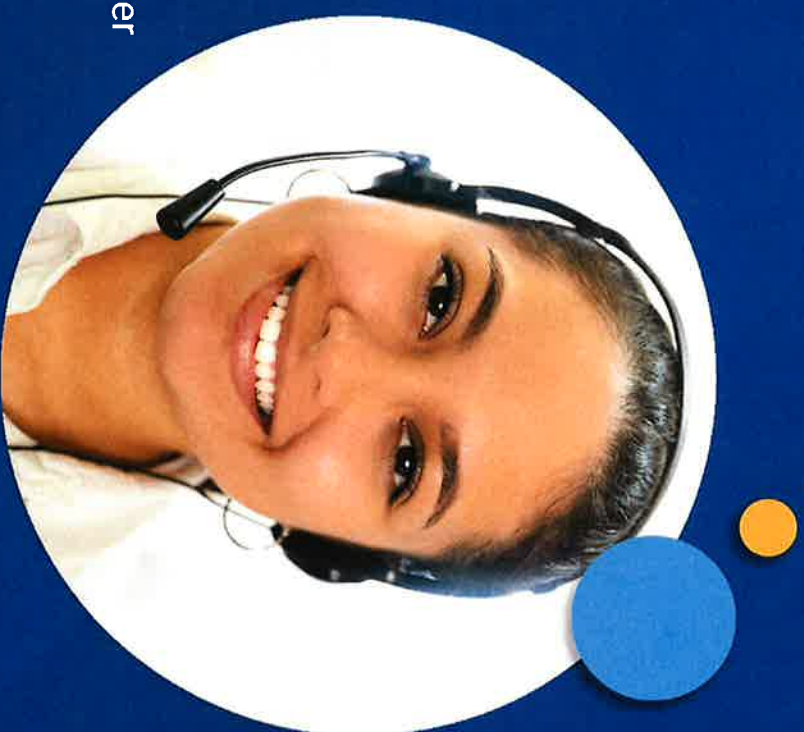
Thousand Oaks City Stats



211 Ventura County

Ventura County, a program of Interface Children & Family Services, is a comprehensive information and referral service for Ventura County. We connect community members with information on over 2,000 health and human service resources.

In 2023, 69,995 unique Ventura County residents reached out to 211 via call, text, or online search 121,573 times.



INTERFACE PROGRAM AREAS

30 PROGRAMS ACROSS SIX DEPARTMENTS



211 Information & Assistance

Domestic Violence & Child Abuse Prevention

Human Trafficking Prevention & Intervention

Justice Services

Mental Health & Trauma Treatment

Youth Crisis & Homeless Services

What is 211?

211 Ventura County is the most comprehensive information and referral service for local residents

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Crisis Services



Education



Food



Free Tax Prep



Health Care



Housing



Income Assistance



Legal Assistance



Mental Health



Reentry Services



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Transportation

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Three ways to reach 211
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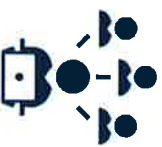
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Our Impact

Thousand Oaks 2023

In 2023, Interface 211 Ventura County took **1,520** calls from Thousand Oaks residents



1,520
Information &
Referral Contacts



480
First time
clients



130
Families with
children under 5



17
Person in need
is pregnant



142
At risk of
homelessness

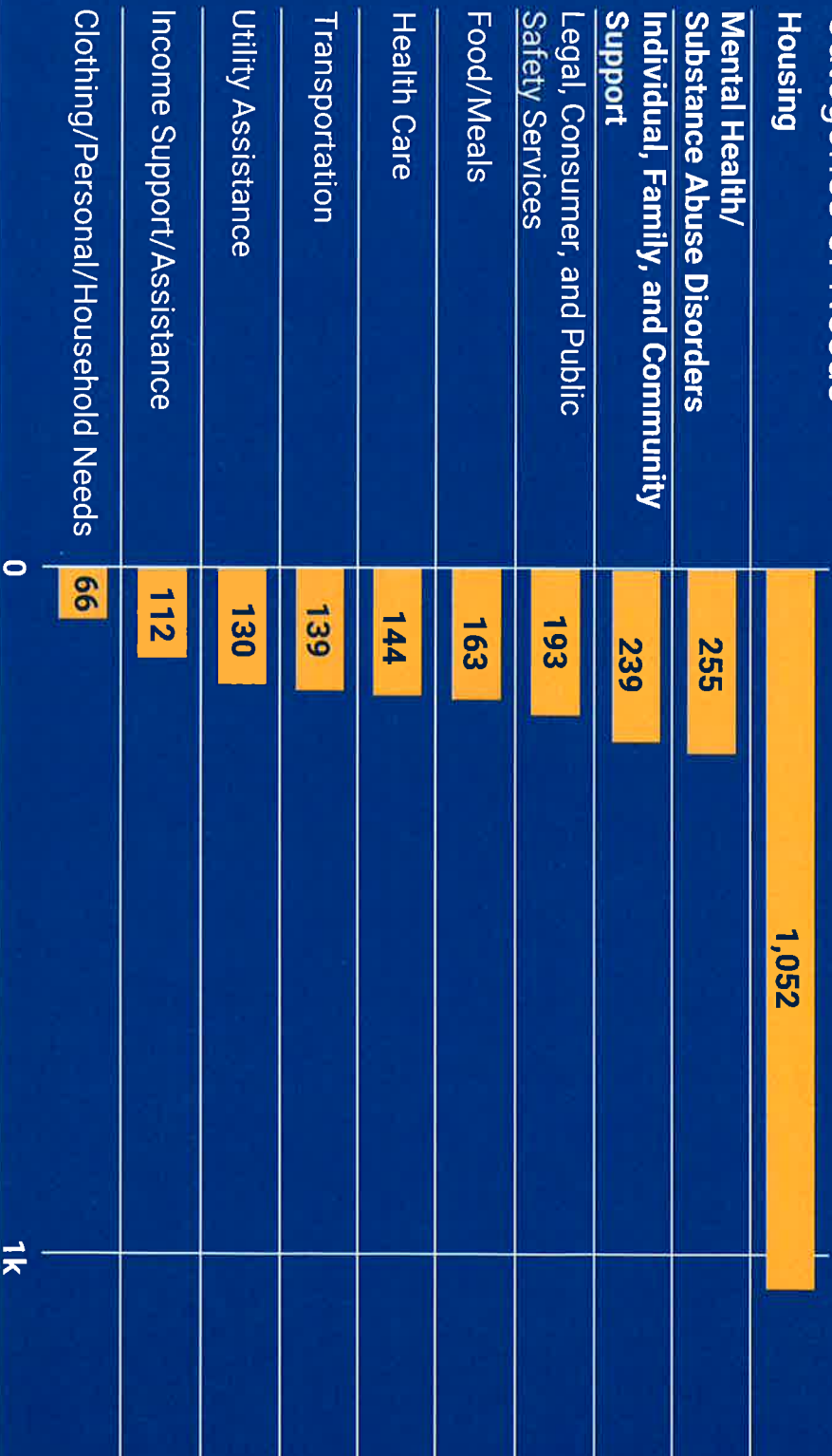


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Our Impact

Thousand Oaks 2023

Categories of Needs



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Special Projects

In addition to taking calls and texts from community members in need of social services, 211 VC provides direct, specialized services.



Kick It CA

Tobacco Control Program
Screening for the CA
Smokers Helpline



PSPS

Public Safety
Power Shutoff Care
Coordination



Ventura vs. Hate



211 Ride

A free one-click trip planning
tool offering information about
available transportation

VENTURA COUNTY VERSUS HATE

According to healthmattersincv.org,
there was a 40% increase in hate
crimes in Ventura County from
2020 to 2021

Report Hate | CavsHate.org | 833-8-NO-HATE



Call 211

Click www.211ventura.org

Text 898-211

General 211 requests (i.e., outreach material, updates)
211ventura@icfs.org

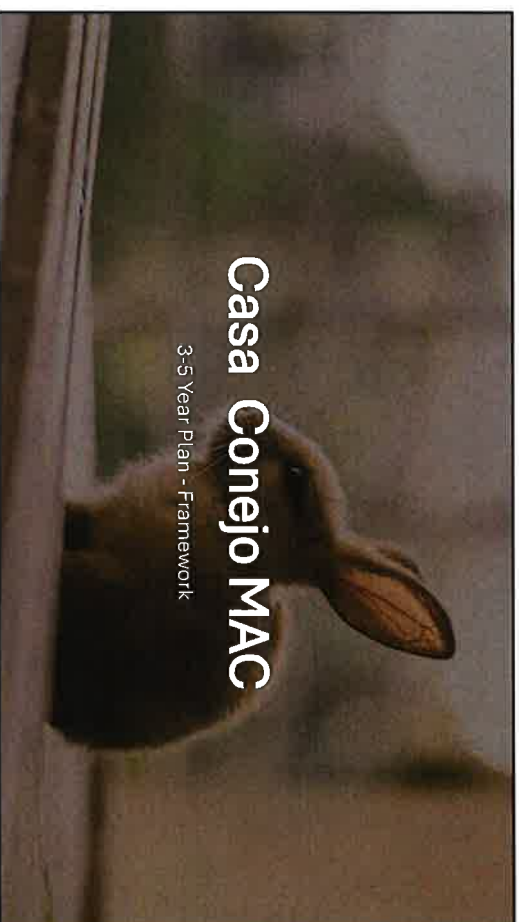
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Questions?



I think we can all acknowledge that we're going through some changes as a MAC and that we're glad to have a voice with the County of Ventura. Where the previous supervisor was a resident of and created the Casa Conejo MAC, we're now in the privileged position to serve our community in the capacity of evolving the MAC to take on new challenges. I agree with Supervisor Gorell's office that creating a framework for the MAC will allow us to maximize the positive effects we can have for this community.

Achieved



SWOT ANALYSIS



VISION STATEMENT



MISSION STATEMENT

As a quick recap, we've completed a SWOT (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, threats) analysis, developed a vision statement, as well as a mission statement for our community. Our vision is for Casa Conejo to be a strong, beautiful, and safe community that is a model for innovative thinking and diversity.



The timing is perfect to create a framework for the operations of this MAC given the revised policy document. Moving forward we'll benefit from a structure that will accommodate the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats we've identified, as well as the ones that are yet to be discovered.

The framework should be consistent with the State mandate which:

defines the express purpose of the MAC to advise the County Supervisor

Defines the scope as the "designated area" which is Casa Conejo in our case

And directs us to focus on the "matters of interest" which are public safety, public health, welfare, planning and public works

This is not confining. I actually see this as broadening our scope in some ways, for example, when it comes to welfare which might include topics like teen activities, or public health that could include vector control (just fancy words mosquito control)

We also need to be consistent with the MAC policy document that Israel introduced

As well as incorporate our Vision and Mission Statements

Express purpose is handled through these meetings as well as the legislative committee which advises separately

on proposed County legislation

The scope reasonably takes care of itself here and while issues such as the Borchard Property are outside the scope, the effects and impact on our community are within

So, for the Matter of Interest. This is the bridge and basis for advising the Supervisor's office



Topics can be categorized into the State defined areas of public safety, health, welfare, planning and public works, and within these categories, we can set our priorities and goals. Examples might include: within public safety, topics like crime (what little we have), safe streets (crosswalk) and Ebikes and scooters. Within public health, overhead power lines, vector control and erosion (which I heard was a recent issue for some). Welfare, planning, public works we can all imagine the topics that we'll prioritize, some of which we've already discussed and made advances on (large vehicle ordinance)

Recommendations



Create a succinct framework in our own words that guides our MAC



Incorporate into our meeting agenda as a reference document



Develop and support the use of sub-committee(s) to move individual objectives forward



Use MAC meetings to receive sub-committee reports and advise on direction of each