



County of Riverside Commission for Women



Commissioners: left – right, Caroline Epperson, Eileen Fry-Bowers, Vice Chairman Lori Stone-Rubin, Martha Minkler, Chairman Christine Murphy, Secretary Lisa Pina, Ennette Nusbaum, Fonda McGensy, Executive Staff Liaison Jana Roush, and Cherie Curzon. Front - Deputy Coby Webb, with her bloodhound, "Maggie Mae."

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE COMMISSION FOR WOMEN
2005 - 2006



Christine Murphy
District 4—Chairman

Christine Murphy is a partner of ck entertainment, a Coachella Valley based corporation which buys entertainment and produces films. The former Rancho Mirage mayor and city councilmember is an experienced, highly energized and knowledgeable community leader. She lives in the Coachella Valley with her husband, Joe, and their daughter, JoZanne.



Lori Stone-Rubin
District 3—Vice Chairman

Lori Stone-Rubin is a Legislative Assistant on Women's Issues to 3rd District Supervisor Jeff Stone. Lori is a strong proponent to Breast Cancer Research, and was instrumental in bringing the Race for the Cure to the Inland Empire. Lori's priority for Riverside County is, "women will be heard!" As a knowledgeable community leader, Lori will be addressing important issues such as: Sexual Assault, Homelessness, Human Trafficking, and Women in Healthcare.



Lisa M. Piza
District 2—Secretary

Lisa Piña is a Human Resources Services Manager with the Riverside County Human Resources Department. Lisa has worked for the County for over 17 years and specializes in labor and employee relations.

Lisa has earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice and a Masters of Public Administration, both from California State University, San Bernardino.



Eileen Fry-Bowers
District 1

Eileen Fry-Bowers is presently a Clinical Instructor for Loma Linda University School of Nursing. As a nurse and pediatric nurse practitioner for nearly twenty years, Eileen has advocated for improvement in the health and welfare of families and children.

Eileen, a native of Riverside, is married and has two young sons.



Cherie Curzon
District 1

Cherie Curzon's first professional job was as a floral designer in her grandfather's flower shop. When he sold his business, Cherie went to work for the Riverside Police Department on August 10, 1972. She has been employed there ever since, and is currently the department's Community Affairs Manager.

Cherie resides in Riverside with her husband, Pete.



Caroline Epperson
District 2

Caroline Epperson is the CFO/Operations Manager for Downs Oil Company, Inc., located in Corona, California, where she directs and oversees all accounting, finance, operations, and environmental health and safety and information systems. Caroline helped develop and implement the company's 5-year strategic plan. She brings the focus of the Mission, Vision and Values of the company to all levels of the organization through Personal Best Training by Tim Knight of Focus 3.



Martha Minkler
District 3

Martha Minkler is the Owner/President of MJM Management Corporation, specializing in Non-Profit Organization Management and Grant Writing. She is also a Director of Dorland Mountain Arts Colony Rebuilding Project, where she is responsible for overseeing reconstruction of the buildings destroyed in that area by the 2004 fire. Additionally, Martha is a Director of the Temecula Valley Cultural Arts & Music Center Building Campaign.



Coby J. Webb
District 4

Coby Webb has a strong commitment to the citizens of Riverside County. She grew up in the Coachella Valley and graduated from Palm Springs High School. Coby is a single mother of twins who wants to be a role model for her children and community. Coby has 12 years of law enforcement experience throughout Riverside County, with extensive training and experience with high profile missing persons and kidnappings. Coby is currently working towards her Doctorate degree in Business.



Ennette Nusbaum
District 5

Ennette Nusbaum currently serves as the Interim Museum Director for the City of Riverside, California. She has more than 12 years of experience in communications, marketing, and public relations.

As a public relations/corporate communications professional, Ennette has worked with a variety of clients in corporate, entertainment, and government organizations.



Fonda McGensy
District 5

Fonda McGensy is very interested in issues concerning young people and the homeless. She is currently employed with SafeHouse working with marketing, media and fundraising, and event planning. Fonda is very creative with working with the local community to create collaborative partnerships to provide awareness about programs for youth and support for families. Fonda is a life long resident of the city of Riverside and lives with her son, Chandler, and her dog, Holly.

County of Riverside Commission for Women 2005/06 Annual Report

Officers:

Chairman:	Christine Murphy
Vice Chairman:	Lori Stone-Rubin
Secretary:	Lisa Pina

Summary:

The fiscal year began with only two commissioners (Christine Murphy, Chair, and Lori Stone-Rubin, Vice Chair) attending the annual planning retreat, and with only three appointed commissioners on the Commission.

Annual Goals selected at the June 2005 Planning Retreat:

- To assist the Board of Supervisors to actively recruit a full and vibrant 10 member Women's Commission
- To learn more about issues affecting Women and Children in Riverside County
- To learn about existing resources to Women and Children in Riverside County
- To become more visible to the community and a valuable asset to those resources and the Board of Supervisors

Priority Issues:

Child Abuse & Neglect
Violence Against Women
Child & Dependent (Elder) Care
Education
Equity in Pay
Health Care

Action Items:

1. Finalized Bylaws revisions in September and submitted to Board of Supervisors for approval.
2. Actively recruited new commissioners for submittal to Board of Supervisors to achieve a full commission of positive, action-oriented women.
3. Monitored legislation impacting priority issues.
4. Researched pending legislation.
5. Maintained and improved Commission for Women website.
 - a. Added links to non-profits and other groups who promote like issues.
6. Planned and implemented two County events for non-profits of benefit to women and children.

7. Invited non-profits and other organizations to attend and participate in our monthly meetings.
8. Attended Governor's Conference for Women and Families for education and motivation.
9. Commission delegates attended Association of California Commissions for Women (ACCW) quarterly meetings in August and November 2005, and in May 2006.
10. Attended Board of Supervisors' Meeting in October 2005.

Committees:

Legislation: Eileen Fry-Bowers (Chair), Lori Stone-Rubin, Ennette Nusbaum, Caroline Epperson, and Christine Murphy

Website: Martha Minkler, Eileen Fry-Bowers, and Christine Murphy

Commission Logo: Lisa Pina (Chair), Cherie Curzon, Lori Stone-Rubin, and Christine Murphy

P.R. / Marketing: Ennette Nusbaum (Chair), Fonda McGensy, Lori Stone-Rubin, Cherie Curzon, Caroline Epperson, and Christine Murphy

Events: Lori Stone-Rubin (Chair), Fonda McGensy, Coby Webb, Cherie Curzon, and Christine Murphy

* Christine Murphy, Commission Chairman, is an ex-officio member of all committees.

County of Riverside Commission for Women Calendar of Events and Activities

Meeting Day: Third Thursday of each month (unless otherwise stated)
Meeting Time: 9:00 a.m.

July

- Welcomed new Commissioners Lisa Pina and Martha Minkler

August

- DARK
- Chair and Vice-chair attended ACCW Quarterly Meeting in Glendale

September

- Welcomed new Commissioner Coby Webb
- Planned first Women's Commission Open House (November 9, 2005)

October

- Attended Governor's Conference for Women and Families – Long Beach
- Developed database of Riverside County non-profits and agencies benefiting women and children
- Met before Board of Supervisors to encourage more commissioner appointments and inform them of upcoming goals and events

November

- First Open House held at County Administrative Center with 25 non-profits represented at booths
- Welcomed new Commissioners Eileen Fry-Bowers, Ennette Nusbaum, and Cherie Curzon
- Assigned Commissioner PiZa to look into new logo designs

December

- DARK

January

- Reviewed new logo designs
- Learned about free health care available for women at Planned Parenthood from guest speaker
- Developed Website Link Application form for non-profits
- Met with County Executive Office to request that additional staff time be allocated to the Commission
- Met with Erin Runnion from Joyful Child Foundation to discuss possible coordinated efforts
- Established Legislative Committee

February

- Reviewed and approved Submittal to the Board of Supervisors regarding the proposed new Commission logo
- Guest speaker Bob Johnson, Riverside County Planning Director, updated Commissioners on the County's General Plan
- Planned May Open House, and upcoming speakers

March

- Heard presentation from Women Leader's Forum in Coachella Valley
- Discussed Logo design and redirection from Board of Supervisors
- Discussed preparing policy papers on legislation to Board of Supervisors
- Reviewed Women's Commission Endorsement Application

April

- Reviewed new logo designs and formed logo sub-committee

- Discussed Commission Annual Planning Retreat (June 2006)
- Discussed participation with ACCW at August meeting in Riverside County
- Discussed upcoming Events to participate in

May

- Held second Open House at County Administration Center. Keynote speaker was Sheriff's Deputy Coby Webb (4th District Commissioner) and her bloodhound "Maggie Mae," with 34 non-profits represented at booths
- Discussed Annual Planning Retreat
- Discussed hosting ACCW meeting in August
- Formed Nominating Committee
- Began to compile Annual Report
- Attended ACCW Quarterly meeting in Sacramento and met with local legislators

June

- Held Commission Planning Retreat for 2006/07
- Finalized Annual Report for submission to Board of Supervisors
- Formed Marketing and Public Relations Committee
- Formed Events Committee
- Planned Women's Luncheon in October with topic on Sexual Predators
- Planned Coachella Valley Open House (to be held in September)

Photographs from the May 11, 2006 Open House Robert T. Anderson County Administrative Center



Riverside County Department of Mental Health
Community Education



Riverside County Regional Medical Center
The Center of Excellence for Abuse Services



Canine Support Team
Assistance Dogs for People with Disabilities



Michelle's Place
Women's Breast Cancer Resource Center



Commissioners Epperson, PiZa, and Webb





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*Christine Murphy
Chairman*

**MEETING ATTENDANCE
FY 2005/06**

COMMISSIONERS	Jul	Sep	Oct	Nov	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Christine Murphy	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lori Stone-Rubin	X	X	X	O	O	X	X	X	O	X
Lisa Pina	X	X	X	X	X	O	O	X	X	O
Caroline Epperson	X	O	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Martha Minkler	X	O	O	X	✓	X	X	O	X	X
Coby Webb	-	X	❖	X	O	O	X	X	X	X
Cherie Curzon	-	-	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Eileen Fry-Bowers	-	-	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ennette Nusbaum	-	-	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Fonda McGensy	-	-	-	-	X	X	O	X	X	X

- X = Present**
- O = Excused absence**
- ❖ = Excused - missed meeting due to technical difficulties**
- ✓ = Unexcused absence**
- / = No meeting held due to the lack of a quorum**
- = Not a member at this time**

11/30/05: The Commissioners agreed that an "excused" absence is an absence that is planned with advanced notice such as a pre-planned vacation or work related meeting or a medical emergency, and that an "unexcused" absence is one that is a last minute absence not related to a medical emergency.