



County of Riverside Commission for Women



Commissioners: left – right, Carol Lynn Anderson, Cherie Curzon, Vice Chairman Lori Stone, Ennette Nusbaum, Eileen Fry-Bowers, Secretary Lisa Pina, Fonda McGensy, Chairman Christine Murphy. Front - Deputy Coby Webb, with her bloodhound, "Maggie Mae." Not shown - Valerie Preston.

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE COMMISSION FOR WOMEN
2006 - 2007



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
District 3—Vice Chairman

Lori Stone 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 18 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, JD, MS, RN, CPNP, is presently Assistant Director of the Medical Simulation Center at Loma Linda University School of Medicine. She received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Loma Linda University School of Nursing, her Master of Science in Nursing from the University of Rochester, New York, and her Juris Doctor degree from Whittier College. She is admitted to the California State Bar. Eileen also served as a nurse in the U.S. Navy and is a veteran of Desert Shield and Desert Storm. Eileen, a native of Riverside, is married and has two school-age sons.



Cherie Curzon
District 1

Cherie Curzon recently retired from the Riverside Police Department where she had been employed since August 1972. She now donates her time serving on various Boards and Commissions in the community.

Cherie resides in Riverside with her husband, Pete.



Carol Lynn Anderson
District 2

Carol Lynn Anderson has worked for the County of Riverside for over six years, and is presently a Staff Analyst II within the Administrative Office of the County Transportation Department. She is a life-long resident of the Inland Empire, and is a single mother of two teenage daughters. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Business and Management from the University of Redlands.



Elizabeth Hamerschlag
District 3

Information on **Elizabeth Hamerschlag** is coming soon.



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 the mother of toddler age twins and desires to be a role model for her children and community. Coby has 13 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 Museum Director for the City of Riverside, California. She has more than 13 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. Ennette and her daughter currently live in Moreno Valley.



Fonda McGensy
District 5

Fonda McGensy is very interested in issues concerning young people and the homeless. She is currently employed with Operation 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.

June 2006 – January 2007 Summary

Officers:

Chairman: Christine Murphy, 4th District
Vice Chairman: Lori Stone, 3rd District
Secretary: Lisa Pina, 2nd District

Summary:

The fiscal year began with nine commissioners attending the annual planning retreat. Commissioner Pina was unable to attend.

Annual Goals selected at the June 2006 Planning Retreat:

- Commissioners decided to create a PowerPoint presentation on the Commission's mission, goals, and interests to display at events
- A long term goal was established to produce a video for display at events and on cable television
- The Commission committed to hosting the Association of California Commissions for Women (ACCW) Quarterly Meeting in Palm Springs (August 2006)
- Plans were made to hold the Commission's 1st Annual Luncheon and Symposium, with a focus on Jessica's Law (October 2006)
- Commissioners want an updated website to include an "Events" page showing community events and news on important issues

Priority Issues:

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

Action Items:

1. Monitored legislation impacting priority issues.
2. Researched pending legislation.
3. Maintained and improved Commission for Women website.
4. Planned and implemented a County event for non-profits of benefit to women and children.
5. Planned and hosted the Association of California Commissions for Women (ACCW) Quarterly Meeting in Palm Springs.

6. Invited non-profits and other organizations to attend and participate in our monthly meetings.
7. Attended Governor's Conference for Women and Families for education and motivation.

Committees:

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

Website: Eileen Fry-Bowers, and Christine Murphy

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

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

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

Nominating: Fonda McGensy (Chair), Lisa Pina, and Coby Webb

* 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: Fourth Thursday of each month (unless otherwise stated)

Meeting Time: 9:00 a.m.

July

- Gary Christmas, the County's Legislative Analyst, and Senator Robert Presley (retired), County Lobbyist, attended the Commission meeting to discuss the County legislative and lobby processes.

August

- Welcomed new Commissioner Valerie Preston, 3rd District
- Brenda Salas, 5th District Legislative Assistant and Banning City Councilwoman, attended the Commission meeting as a guest/observer
- The Commission voted to formally endorse California ballot initiative Proposition 86, which sought to increase the cigarette tax to fund educational programs such as nursing and other health related programs

- Chair and Secretary attended ACCW Quarterly Meeting in Palm Springs

September

- Learned about gang activities from guest speaker Captain Jim Domenoe, Riverside County Sheriff's Department Gang Task Force Director
- Commissioner Fry-Bowers spoke on heart health, and Commissioner Stone spoke about issues related to sexual predators at the ACCW hearings in Los Angeles which were held to help the ACCW determine a legislative agenda for 2007 and 2008
- Tabled the logo concept until next year
- Attended the County's AB1234 Ethics Training course
- Attended Governor's Conference for Women and Families – Long Beach

October

- Held the Commission's 1st Annual Luncheon and Symposium at the Riverside Convention Center, with a focus on issues related to sexual predators. Symposium Booth Participants included the Department of Mental Health; Circle of Safe-T; DA Victim Witness; Valley Watch; Joyful Child Foundation; SAFE Alternatives for Everyone; YWCA; Child Abuse Prevention Center; Alternatives to Domestic Violence; and Shelter from the Storm. Speakers and presenters during the Luncheon Program were Under sheriff Neil Lingle; 3rd District County Supervisor Jeff Stone; Deputy District Attorney Michelle Paradise; Sheriff's Deputy and Commissioner Coby Webb; Erin Runnion, Joyful Child Foundation; and Denise Brown, from the Nicole Brown Simpson Foundation.

November

- Welcomed new Commissioner Carol Lynn Anderson, 2nd District

December

- DARK

January

- Planned luncheon with Supervisors
- Made plans for the 2nd Annual Luncheon & Symposium (October 2007)

February

- Wanda Scruggs advised the Commission on the Riverside Black History Committee, the Riverside Community College, and the Young Women's Christian Association who sponsored the Empowering Young Women Conference in Riverside
- Commissioner Eileen Fry-Bowers informed the Commission about women's health issues with an emphasis on heart disease

- Met with Board of Supervisors for lunch to discuss Women's Issues and goals of the Commission for the upcoming year
- Planned for the April Open House

March

- Assistant County Executive Officer, Ken Mohr, attended the meeting to report on the County's budget process as it relates to the Commission's budget. Ken advised that the Commission's budget is included within the County Executive Office budget
- Planned for second Annual Luncheon with the theme to be "Homelessness in Riverside County," with an emphasis on how it affects Women and the families they care for
- Discussed updating the Commission's brochure
- Formed Nominating Committee

April

- Nancy Maich, Special Project Coordinator, First 5 Riverside, gave a presentation on the ABCD Task Force, which was about the state of Child Care in Riverside County
- Planned for Annual Luncheon
- The Commission attended a Domestic Violence workshop given by District Attorney Rod Pacheco and Judge Michelle Levine
- Held third annual open house at County Administration Center, with District Attorney Rod Pacheco as luncheon keynote speaker

May

- Voted on Slate of Officers for upcoming year
- Discussed speakers for Annual Luncheon
- Planned Annual Retreat
- Discussed the Commission's endorsement of the Universal Woman Association's Annual Woman Awareness Expo of June 24, 2007. Several Commissioners will attend. Commission will sponsor a booth and will provide information

June

- Planned Annual Retreat for July 2007
- Discussed and planned Annual Luncheon
- Quorum not met, slate of officers to be voted at next official meeting
- Discussed updating by-laws
- Discussed adding Treasurer to Commission officers
- Discussed need for Brown Act Class for Commissioners
- Finalized Annual Report for submission to Board of Supervisors



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*Christine Murphy
Chairman*

**MEETING ATTENDANCE
FY 2006/07**

COMMISSIONERS	Jul	Aug	Sep	Nov	Jan	Feb*	Feb*	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Christine Murphy	X	X	X	O	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lori Stone	X	O	X	O	X	X	X	O	X	O	O
Lisa Pina	X	X	X	O	X	X	X	X	O	X	X
Carol Lynn Anderson	-	-	-	X	X	X	X	X	O	X	X
Cherie Curzon	X	X	X	X	X	O	X	X	X	X	O
Coby Webb	X	O	X	O	X	X	X	O	O	O	O
Eileen Fry-Bowers	O	X	X	O	O	X	X	X	X	X	X
Elizabeth Hamerschlag	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	O	O	O	O
Ennette Nusbaum	X	X	O	O	X	O	X	O	X	X	X
Fonda McGensy	X	X	X	O	X	X	X	X	O	X	X
Martha Minkler	O	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Valerie Preston	-	X	O	O	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

X = Present
O = Absent
- = Not a member at this time

* Meetings were held on February 7, 2007, and February 15, 2007