DISTRICT 2

# NEWSLETTER

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## Take a look at what we have been up to!








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Dear Kern County District 2 Constituents,

It has officially been 100 days since I took office as your Kern County Second District Supervisor, and it continues to be an honor and privilege to serve you in this capacity. As I have settled into my responsibilities, I am pleased to share with you that a great deal has been happening across our district. My team and I have been hard at work advocating for your communities, ensuring that local government is delivering quality services and addressing the challenges we face with common sense solutions.

In these first few months, I have made it a priority to listen to your concerns and work tirelessly to support our communities. We have focused on addressing immediate needs by taking direct action, as well as laying the groundwork for long-term improvements that will benefit all residents of the Second District.

I want to assure you that my office remains dedicated to making sure your voices are heard and that we continue to build a stronger, more vibrant community together. Your input is invaluable, and I look forward to working with each of you as we move forward.

Thank you again for your trust and support. I am excited about what lies ahead and remain committed to working on your behalf.

Sincerely,

Chris Parlier, Supervisor 2nd District

# This is Kern County

## Grounded and Boundless



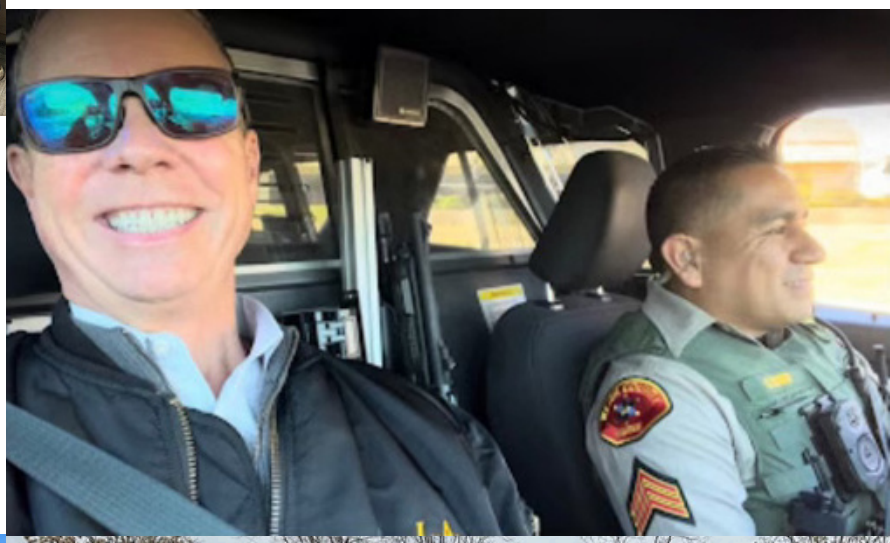

**Welcome to Kern County – a truly exceptional place to live, work, and thrive. Our community is built on a foundation of resilience, innovation, and opportunity, making us a driving force in California and beyond. From our rich history in energy production to our forward-thinking industries and entrepreneurial spirit, Kern County continues to inspire and show the nation what we are made of. We are grounded in energy, ideas, and innovation, always pushing boundaries to create a brighter future.**

**This is Kern County!**

# Improving Public Safety



- Fighting for public safety improvements for our neighborhoods
- Strategizing with law and code enforcement personnel
- Enhancing Community Policing



- Expanding patrols and leveraging technology for crime prevention





# Cleaning Our Communities

## BEFORE







## AFTER







# Breaking Ground



- On March 5th, Pacific Steel Group made history by breaking ground on the Mojave Micro Mill steel plant, the first steel mill to be built in California in 50 years.
- This development represents a new chapter in Kern County's history, bringing economic growth and innovation to the region.
- Pacific Steel Group committed over $600 million for the project.
- The mill will create over 400 jobs, providing long-term employment opportunities for the local workforce.
- These jobs will support families and build strong, communities throughout Kern County.
- This mill will rebuild California while showcasing Kern County's resources and our level of economic diversification and resilience.
- This milestone highlights the county's ongoing commitment to economic development and sustainability.
- The future of Kern County looks brighter than ever.









# KCFD Donation






- Rio Tinto U.S. Borax in my office arranging an astounding $200,000 donation to KCFD.
- The generous donation will go directly toward supporting KCFD personnel and their need for resources.
- Rio Tinto U.S. Borax's act of kindness is an inspiration and will positively impact very deserving members of the KCFD family.
- It was a pleasure to work with Rio Tinto to help support our communities.
- I am extremely thankful for their generosity and unwavering commitment to Kern County.

**Read the story here!**

# Taft College Cougars




## Play Ball!






I had the honor of throwing the ceremonial first pitch to kick off the start of the Taft College Baseball season!



I was also happy to support the Taft College Baseball and Softball teams at the 10th Installment Triple Play Dinner to raise funding for their programs.

# Major Projects

## Parks

- **Rosamond Park Skate Park**– $1,106,000 Proposed improvements include a concrete skate park, accessible walkways, and parking.
- **Boron Park Skate Park** – $841,000 Proposed improvements include demolition of existing concrete paving and construction of a new skate park.
- **Mojave East Park** – $3,023,637 Proposed improvements include new restroom, paved parking lot, lighted pathways, exercise equipment, renovated basketball court, lighted/shaded group picnic pavilion, soccer field, and trees.
- **Buena Vista Aquatic Recreational Area Boat Launch** – $1,100,000. Proposed improvements include boat launch repairs and ADA improvements.
- **Fellows Park Play Equipment** – $817,000 Proposed improvements include play equipment, accessible walkways and parking, benches, and new water service to the park.
- **Ford City Park Splash Pad and Restroom Remodel** – $2,300,000 Proposed improvements include new splash pad, accessible walkways and parking, electrical panel replacement, and remodel of the existing restroom to comply with ADA accessibility.
- **Buena Vista Aquatic Recreational Area Restroom/Shower Buildings** – $2,400,000 Proposed improvements include demolition of existing restroom/shower buildings and construction of two precast accessible restroom/shower buildings and accessible parking and walkways.
- **Rosamond Park Restroom** – $862,000 Proposed improvements include new precast restroom building.
- **Rosamond Community Building** – $790,697 Proposed improvements include update east and west building entrances, accessible paths of travel from existing parking, replace south entrance stairs, replace exterior doors, update exterior finishes, bring existing restrooms into compliance with ADA, and replace flooring throughout.

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## Roads

- **Countywide Striping Improvements on Multi-Lane Roads** – $1,769,900 – Upgrade striping of centerlines, edge lines, left/right turns, and lane drops on three (3) roads in SD2: Laval Road, Wheeler Ridge Road, and Rosamond Boulevard
- **Raised medians and lighting improvements at two (2) intersections in SD2:** Business Route 58 at Meyer Road, Mojave Rosamond Boulevard at Eagle Way in Rosamond
- **Ford City-Taft Heights Sewer Segment Replacements** – $7,000,000 Replacement of Ford City-Taft Heights sewer segments at various locations.
- **Various Roads in Ford City, Taft** – $4,000,000 – Pedestrian path improvements: North Lincoln Street, Ash Street, Date Street, Taylor Street, Tyler Street, and Grevillea Street. 20th Street from Sonja Drive to Orange Street, Rosamond – $1,000,000 Pedestrian path improvements
- **Weedpatch Highway 184 - $30,900,000 -** Rehabilitate State Route 184 to provide 8ft wide shoulder along length of project, guardrail install, 3 drainage basins and storage ditch to address flooding, complete street upgrades including curb ramps, sidewalks driveways, pedestrian crossing, 2 bike lane installations, traffic signal upgrades

# Stay informed

## Join the MyKern App




- Receive County News
- Report a problem
- Search job openings
- Board meetings
- Request public records
- Pay your property taxes
- Report graffiti
- Register to vote
- Submit a film permit
- Obtain department contact information

# In The Community

- Congratulating a franchisee at their 7/11 Grand Opening Ceremony
- Helping plant a tree at the Tree Dedication Ceremony at California City City Hall
- Delivering water and resources to the residents impacted by the Edison Highway Mobile Home Park Fire
- Visiting Tejon Ranch to obtain business updates and get a closer look into their operations
- Visiting with the crew of Kern County Fire Station 56
- Attended the East & West Kern Economic Alliance meetings









# In The Community

















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- Discussing the negative impacts of AB1066 with the Kern County Woolgrowers Association
- Celebrating the 100th anniversary with Taft Kiwanis Club
- Connecting with residents at the Tehachapi Chamber of Commerce Mixer
- Thanking the Tehachapi Amateur Radio Association for their commitment to servicing the community
- Celebrating the delivery of a new helicopter to the Kern County Fire Department to support their operations












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# Around The District
















- Visiting the Lebec IKEA distribution center
- Team Parlier participating in the homeless persons point in time count
- Sharing county news with the Bakersfield Association of Realtors
- Listening to the concerns of Frazier Park constituents
- Toured the Adventist Health Tehachapi Valley Hospital

# Around the District

- Visiting with Keene Fire Station 11
- Surveying conditions and areas of improvement in Rosamond with Joel MacKay of the Rosamond Municipal Advisory Council
- Discussing park improvements at Frazier Mtn. Park
- Participating in the Boron Christmas Parade
- Attended the Frazier Park Library Book Sale
- Attending the Mojave Air & Space Port Toys for Tots event















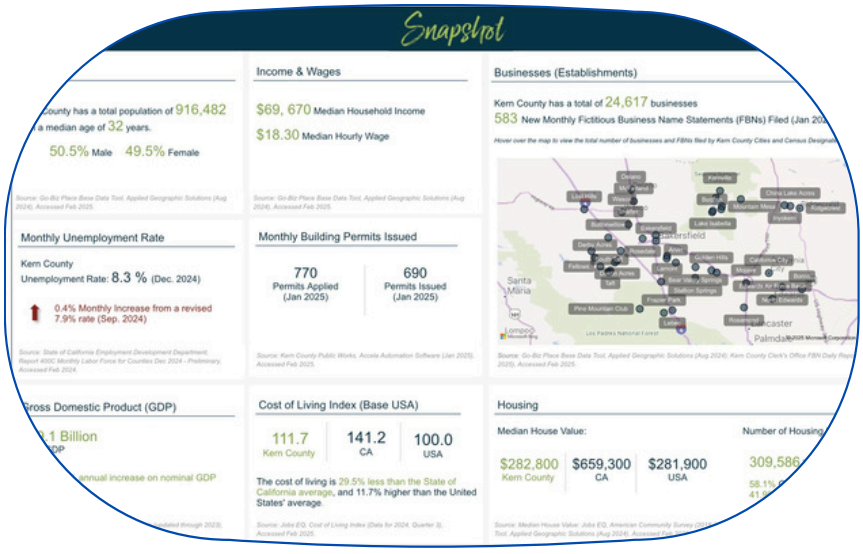


# County News




- All students ride free through June 2025
- On all routes
- Just show your student I.D.

**Find A Bus Route**




**Try it out**

- Kern County now has an Economic Development Dashboard
- A digital tool that provides real-time data to measure and assess the state of the county economy and it's economic development initiatives

# Stay Tuned

## For My Next Update

**We have only begun making positive change in District 2!**

**Together, lets continue to better serve our communities.**

**Stay tuned for my next update!**