

DISTRICT 2 NEWSLETTER



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

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Kern County News



**On December 16, 2025
The Board approved the
proposed Agreement
with California City for
fire protection duties and
enforcement of State Fire
Marshal regulations by
Kern County Fire
Department from
January 1, 2026, through
June 30, 2028, in the
amount of \$4,561,904.**

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Taft Substation Grand Opening



Supervisor Parlier was honored to be with Sheriff Donny Youngblood for the Grand Opening of the new Kern County Sheriff Taft Substation.

The Taft Substation is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, excluding holidays. The opening of the Taft Substation reflects our continued commitment to improving public safety and community partnerships throughout Kern County.



This new facility enhances the Sheriff's Office's ability to serve the residents of Taft and the surrounding areas by providing a local point of contact for law enforcement services.

District 2 News!



Kern County Sheriff's Office Receives in-kind donation

Supervisor Parlier was pleased to partner with Terra-Gen, LLC, and the Kern County Sheriff's Department to accept an in-kind donation for public safety equipment in the amount of \$82,489. This donation will directly improve public safety services in East Kern County.

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Hard Rock Casino at Tejon



Grand Opening

Congratulations to the Hard Rock Casino at Tejon on its highly anticipated grand opening within District 2. The celebration brought together community members, Tejon Tribe members, and guests for an unforgettable event filled with live music, heartfelt messages, and a range of performances. This exciting project is another powerful example of the opportunity and potential Kern County offers for businesses to grow and thrive.



Breaking Ground



In October, Supervisor Parlier and staff attended the California Resources Corporation groundbreaking ceremony for its Carbon TerraVault I project—California’s first carbon capture and storage initiative.

Located in Elk Hills right here in Kern County, the project is designed to store approximately 1.46 million metric tons of CO₂ annually, with a total storage potential of 38 million metric tons in the 26R reservoir.

This milestone underscores Kern County’s continued leadership in energy, innovation, and job creation, serving as a model for communities across the State of California.

Spreading Christmas Cheer



The district 2 office had a blast!

- Donating toys to children in need
- Hosting Supervisor Parlier's Christmas Open House
- Donating holiday meals to residents in need
- Participating in several district 2 community Christmas Parades
- Attending the Chairwoman's tree lighting ceremony

Oildorado Days

Residents and visitors gathered together to celebrate the rich history and traditions of Taft during the 10-day festival.

The Board proclaimed October 10-19, 2025 as Taft Oildorado Days in Kern County, commemorating the 115th Anniversary of the City of Taft.

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Between catching up with friends, cruising in the hoosegow during the parade, and enjoying delicious food, Oildorado Days in Taft was nonstop fun!



Around the District



It was a great time filled with fun and friendship at the 2025 Tehachapi Apple Festival.



Sharing great conversations and making memories at many district 2 Trunk or Treat events.



Supervisor Parlier marched alongside community members during the memorial dedication, candlelight vigil, and march honoring victims of violent crime, hosted by the Kern County District Attorney's Office.



Merry Christmas

As we approach the end of 2025, I've taken time, like many of you, to reflect on all that has taken place this past year. As I look back, I'm encouraged by how far our communities have come. This season naturally reminds us to be grateful, and I'm thankful every day for the people of Kern County and the commitment we share to making our home stronger and more vibrant.

While encountering significant challenges, we never lost sight of what matters most: serving our residents with care and purpose. In just one year's time, we have expanded partnerships with emergency food providers to better support families, we have strengthened our relationships with neighbors and community organizations and worked to deliver services more effectively across the county, and so much more.

We streamlined permitting to help local businesses grow, launched regular community support visits to stay connected with residents, and took firm action against illegal dumping and other serious crimes. By my actions, we have given our first responders new tools and equipment to enhance their ability to protect our communities, and we are already seeing public safety improvements immediately after the tools and equipment have been deployed. Additionally, we coordinated beautification and cleanup efforts, awarded grants to local small businesses in need, scheduled major park improvements, repaired key roadways, and advanced many other initiatives that improve everyday life for the people who call Kern County District 2 home.

As Christmas approaches, I'll be spending time with my family, feeling hopeful about the possibilities that the new year will bring. There is still much to do, but I am confident in the direction we are headed and that confidence comes from the strength, generosity, and determination of this community.

From my family to yours, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

– Chris Parlier