

2011 LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

Legislative Platform Development Process

Outreach

- Delegation – Federal & State Advocates
- County Department Heads

Legislative Committee

- Review of Legislative Principles
- Review Legislative Proposals

Board of Supervisors

- Consideration & Adoption

Outreach

- Delegation & Key Representatives

Legislative Principles

Efficient Service Delivery/ Operations

- Streamline processes and promote operational enhancements; oppose legislation that creases fiscal or operational burden on departments

Fiscal Stability

- Generate new intergovernmental revenue and /or enhance existing revenue/reimbursement levels; oppose the loss or existing revenues or new unfunded mandates

Inter-Agency Collaboration

- Partner with neighboring cities when possible; support advocacy efforts of CSAC, NACO, SBCAG, First 5, the Kids Network, and other agencies

Local Control

- Advocate for local authority and control of governance issues, land use issues, and the delivery of services

Protection of Safety Net Services

- Support efforts to maintain and enhance “safety net” health and human assistance services that protect the most vulnerable, including children, the elderly and other “at risk” populations

Community Sustainability/Economic Stability

- Support efforts to foster communitywide sustainability by promoting economic stability and environmental stewardship through participation in the growing green economy; engage in federal and state deliberations to ensure local government receives benefits of new policies

The Components of 2011 Platform

- Appropriation Requests
- Proposed Legislation
- Targeted Advocacy



2011 Legislative Priorities

Appropriation Requests

- Santa Maria River Levee
- Lower Mission Creek
- Lake Cachuma
- Goleta Beach County Park
- Safety Improvements Public Beach Access
- Veterans Memorial Building-Santa Barbara and Lompoc
- Historic Santa Barbara County Courthouse
- Santa Barbara Health and Human Services Campus Upgrades
- Parks/Open Space

2011 Legislative Priorities

Proposed Legislation

- Alcohol Licensing
- District Attorney Legislative Enhancements
- Elections Process
- Emergency Medical Services Fund
- Highway 154 Safety
- Lake Cachuma-Quagga Mussels

2011 Legislative Priorities

Targeted Advocacy

- Agriculture/Williamson Act Subvention Fund
- Air Quality-Marine Vessel Emissions
- Child Care
- Disaster Preparedness/Bioterrorism Funding
- Economic Enhancement/Revenue Diversification
- Firefighter Assistance Grant
- Homelessness
- Implications of Centralization/Privatization of Public Assistance Programs
- In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS)
- Local Control of Speed Limits
- Preservation of Mobile Homes/Affordable Housing Opportunities/Rent Control

2011 Legislative Priorities

Targeted Advocacy

- Proposition 10
- Public Safety
- State Children's Health Insurance Program
- State Social Services Funding
- Summer Employment Youth Programs
- TANF Reauthorization
- Telecommunications Regulations
- Transportation (HUTA)
- Transportation (SAFETEA-LU)
- Transportation (SAFETEA-LU)-Regional
- Workforce Investment Board Waivers

New 2011 Requests

Appropriation Requests

- Health & Human Services Campus Upgrade
- Santa Barbara Veterans Memorial Building

Proposed Legislation

- Alcohol Licensing
- District Attorney Legislative Enhancements
- Elections Process
- Highway 154 Safety
- Lake Cachuma Quagga Mussel

Targeted Advocacy

- Child Care
- Senior Services Funding – Support Older Americans Act
- Conversion Technology Initiatives Support

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