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## Reminder: Renew Your Membership in the Association by September 30th!

ACHD Members are leading a transformation of our Association to meet the unique needs of Healthcare Districts in today's challenging health care environment. Every Member of the Association matters, as it enables ACHD to continue to: advocate in front of the legislature, Governor and Executive Branches of California, expand Member Services, provide Education and Certification, Tools and Resources, and enable Healthcare Districts to deliver the best possible health services in their communities.

Your continued involvement in ACHD is important and very much appreciated. As a reminder, please submit your renewal payment no later than **September 30** to avoid a lapse in your membership.

For more information about dues renewal, or to become a Member in the Association, contact [Sheila Johnston](#).

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Legislative Update

### **Little Hoover Commission**

On August 24, the Little Hoover Commission voted to adopt their Special District report, which includes a special section, "What Role for Healthcare Districts?" Please find the full report on the Commission's [website](#). Additionally, find ACHD's Membership Alert on the report, with a summary of the Commission's review, [here](#).

### **AB 1250 (Jones-Sawyer)**

On September 5, [AB 1250 \(Jones-Sawyer\)](#) was amended to include a specific exemption for Healthcare Districts. AB 1250 requires counties, or county agencies, to satisfy a set of exceedingly high standards before executing new contracts for personal services that are currently or customarily provided by county employees. Essentially, AB 1250 makes it very difficult, if not impossible, for counties to contract for some services. ACHD worked closely with the California Special Districts Association to persuade the Author and Sponsors, SEIU and AFSCME, to amend the bill to address this concern for Healthcare Districts.

The exemption language now specifies, "The contract is between the county and a local health care district, within the meaning of Section 32001 of the Health and Safety Code, for services to be provided by the local health care district."

AB 1250 is currently in the Senate Rules Committee, and it is unclear whether the bill will move forward this year. However, even if the bill does not move forward in 2017 we do anticipate that another version of AB 1250 will be brought up again next year.

### **ACHD Working Group**

The ACHD Working Group Healthcare District Law Subcommittee continues to meet to discuss potential updates and revisions to the Healthcare District Enabling Act. ACHD will continue to update our members as progress is made.

### **Legislative Update**

The Legislature is in their final week of the 2017 Legislative Session and will adjourn for the year on September 15. Look for our End of Session wrap-up in the coming weeks. Here is an update on the remaining key bills ACHD has an active position on:

**AB 979 (Lackey, R-Palmdale)** allows special districts to vote on LAFCO representation in a meeting of the county's independent special districts selection committee. This bill was signed by the Governor on September 1! ACHD supports this measure.

**AB 994 (Muratsuchi, D-Manhattan Beach)** authorizes Beach Cities Health District to utilize the design-build process for a construction project on a pilot basis. This bill is now on the Governor's desk awaiting his action. ACHD supports this measure.

**AB 1728 (Committee on Local Government)** requires Healthcare Districts to: 1. create and maintain a website, which must include contact information for the district 2. annually adopt a budget 3. annually adopt policies for providing assistance or grant funding to ensure funding is spent on health care services

consistent with the mission and purpose of the District. This bill is now on the Governor's desk awaiting his action. ACHD supports this measure.

**SB 793 (Hill, D-San Mateo)** authorizes Peninsula Healthcare District to utilize the design-build process on a pilot basis. This bill is now on the Assembly Floor. ACHD supports this measure.

For more bills ACHD has a position on, find our full Legislative Reports on our website, [here](#).

Please contact [Amber King](#) at (916) 266-5207, with questions or comments.

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## ACHD Announces 2017-18 Committee Assignments

ACHD is pleased to announce the new 2017-18 Committee assignments. We are grateful to all who applied to serve, and look forward to another great year!

The Association's standing Committees-- Governance, Education, Advocacy, and Finance--work to review, study, and make recommendations to the Board on matters under their respective jurisdiction.

The jurisdictions of each Committee are as follows:

- Advocacy Committee: Responsible for the direction of legislative, regulatory, collaborative and grass roots activities of the Association.
- Education Committee: Responsible for the Association's educational programs and content.
- Finance Committee: Responsible for financial oversight of the Association.
- Governance Committee: Responsible for Board and Committee Member succession and orientation, annual assessment of the Association's Bylaws and Board and Committee Policies and Procedures.

### Finance

Sandy Beach, Coalinga Regional Medical Center  
Arthur Faro, Sequoia Healthcare District  
John Friel, Bear Valley Community Hospital  
Jerry Abe Hathaway, Mayers Memorial Hospital District  
Kara Ralston, Camarillo Health Care District  
Linda Rubin, Pioneers Memorial Healthcare District  
Joseph Stern, Petaluma Health Care District

### Education

Barbara Casas, Kern Valley Healthcare District  
Ramona Faith, Petaluma Health Care District  
Karin Hennings, Del Puerto Health Care District  
Bill Leach, Fallbrook Regional Health District  
Candy O'Donel-Browne, John C. Fremont Healthcare District  
Ted Owens, Tahoe Forest Health System

Vanessa Poster, Beach Cities Health District  
Lin Reed, Mark Twain Healthcare District  
Linda Rubin, Pioneers Memorial Healthcare District  
Beatriz Vasquez, Mayers Memorial Hospital District  
Linda Wagner, Seneca Healthcare District

#### **Governance**

Robert Ayres, Grossmont Healthcare District  
Sandy Beach, Coalinga Regional Medical Center  
Barbara Casas, Kern Valley Healthcare District  
Arthur Faro, Sequoia Healthcare District  
Valerie Lakey, Mayers Memorial Hospital District  
Randy Lenac, Grossmont Healthcare District  
Candy O'Donel-Browne, John C. Fremont Healthcare District  
Vanessa Poster, Beach Cities Health District  
Lin Reed, Mark Twain Healthcare District  
Howard Salmon, Fallbrook Regional Health District  
Joseph Stern, Petaluma Health Care District  
Beatriz Vasquez, Mayers Memorial Hospital District  
Harry Weis, Tahoe Forest Health System

#### **Advocacy**

Robert Ayres, Grossmont Healthcare District  
Dara Czerwonka, Palomar Health  
Marge Doyle, Morongo Basin Healthcare District  
Ramona Faith, Petaluma Health Care District  
John Friel, Bear Valley Community Hospital  
Elly Garner, Palomar Health  
Dillon Gibbons, California Special Districts Association  
Jerry Abe Hathaway, Mayers Memorial Hospital District  
Karin Hennings, Del Puerto Health Care District  
Valerie Lakey, Mayers Memorial Hospital District  
Bill Leach, Fallbrook Regional Health District  
Ted Owens, Tahoe Forest Health System  
Kara Ralston, Camarillo Health Care District  
Frank Salazar, Pioneers Memorial Healthcare District  
Howard Salmon, Fallbrook Regional Health District  
Jacqueline Sun, Beach Cities Health District  
Harry Weis, Tahoe Forest Health System

Each Committee will meet either in person or by webinar throughout your term; terms of the Committee begin on October 1, 2017 and will end September 30, 2018. Official Committee rosters and meeting calendars will be shared by September 30th, 2017.

Please check your email regularly, as ACHD will send out notices for Committee meetings and informational material. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact [Sheila Johnston](#).

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**Healthcare District Engagement Tour Reaches 5,259 Miles Traveled!**

ACHD's Senior Legislative Advocate, Amber King and Member Services Specialist, Sheila Johnston, continued their tour of Healthcare Districts!

This month, Amber and Sheila visited Soledad Community Health Care District. We were very impressed with the District's Rural Health Clinic and their Skilled Nursing Facility. We met many happy employees and residents, in addition to the District's CEO, Steven Pritt.

Our road trip to California's Healthcare Districts has been a great opportunity for the ACHD team to see our Districts in action and meet key players in advancing community health. We will continue visiting Districts over the next few months; remember to follow our road trip on Twitter and Facebook!

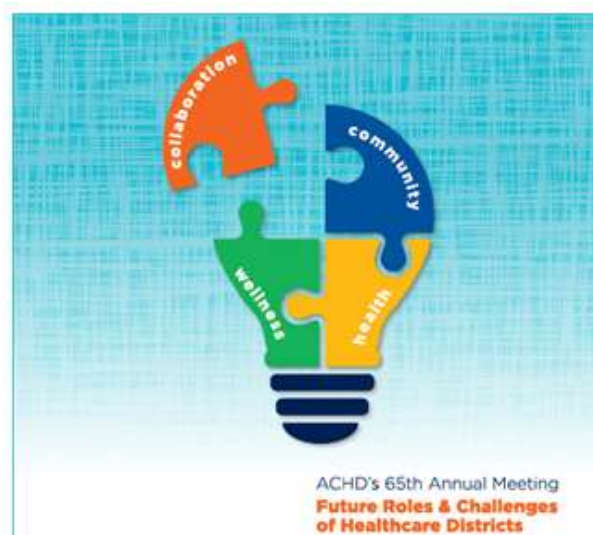
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## Annual Meeting Is Just Days Away!



The Association's Education Committee has planned the 65th Annual Meeting with a focus on preparing Healthcare Districts for the challenges ahead and the role of District's in the face of change. Our [program](#) is designed to inspire innovation and motivate Districts to prepare for the future.

As a reminder, we invite Healthcare Districts that are registered to showcase their innovation, creativity and commitment to improving the health of their communities during the 65th Annual Meeting! Districts that bring material to showcase in Brights Spots should head directly to the ACHD registration desk in the Point Loma Foyer to set up their materials.

We encourage all Districts to showcase their "Bright Spots," highlighting the mission, work and initiatives that illustrate the positive work of their Board to increase community health.

Please contact [Sheila Johnston](#) with any questions or concerns. We hope to see you there!

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## In Case You Missed It... Healthcare District News from Around the State



### **Construction underway on new Palomar Health Outpatient Center**

Construction is underway on Palomar Health Outpatient Center I (OPC I), the 75,000-square-foot (sf) first-phase of a brand new 3-phase 225,000 sf Class A medical office development located on-campus at Palomar Medical Center Escondido. Read the full article [here](#).

### **Grossmont Healthcare District awards sponsorships to local community organizations**

The Grossmont Healthcare District (GHD) board of directors has recently awarded several sponsorships to community organizations that protect and promote the health of local residents. Read the full article [here](#).

### **Mini Wellness Fair at Fallbrook Healthcare District promotes well-being**

See highlights from the Wellness Fair [here](#).

### **Indian Valley Clinic celebrates first anniversary with Plumas District Hospital**

Indian Valley Medical Clinic finished its first full year of being a new campus of Plumas District Hospital. Clinic and hospital staff welcomed the public to a community open house. Read the full article [here](#).

### **Officials celebrate opening of Salinas Valley Memorial Healthcare Diabetes & Endocrine Center**

The 10,000 square-foot facility aims to be a one-stop shop for diabetes treatment and research in Monterey County. Read the full article [here](#).

### **Peninsula Healthcare District releases 2017 summer catalog**

View the catalog [here](#).

### **Petaluma Health Care District uses data to understand county health disparities**

Pockets of poverty are nestled within the Petaluma community, with stark social and economic divides between neighborhoods throughout the city, data shows. Read the full article [here](#).

### **Pioneers Memorial Healthcare District hosts summer blood drive**

With the nation's blood supply facing significantly low levels, Pioneers Memorial Healthcare District, an Affiliate of the Scripps Health Network, hosted a blood drive. Read the full article [here](#).

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## **ACHD Webinar Education Series**

On August 31, ACHD hosted our second Webinar Series on Suicide and Suicide Prevention. Representatives from the [Steinberg Institute](#) and [National Alliance on Mental Illness](#) presented valuable information on tools that Healthcare Districts can implement to prevent suicide in their communities. To access the slide presentation, click [here](#); to access a recording of the webinar, click [here](#).



The next Webinar Education series will take place on September 29th and will focus on Effective Practices in Healthcare District Messaging. To register, click [here](#)!

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## **Resources**

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[ACHD Message](#)  
[Certified Healthcare District](#)  
[Board Self-Assessment Tool](#)  
[CEO Evaluation](#)  
[Californians Allied for Patient Protection](#)

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## Mission & Vision

### Mission Statement

“Through community collaboration, we serve as the stewards of a community health system that ensures our residents have the dignity of access to care that provides high quality, professional and compassionate health care”.

### Vision

The Mark Twain Health Care District (MTHCD), is a public agency which owns the [Mark Twain Medical Center](#) building and grounds, and leases its operations to Mark Twain Medical Center Corporation. The Mark Twain Health Care District is dedicated to the health and wellbeing of the individuals and communities of Calaveras County.

Establish and maintain identity of the MTHCD.

**Accountability Communication Collaboration Education Stewardship Service**

The cumulative effect of these values is the focus on **ACCESS** to health care in Calaveras County.

To support these values we have developed a series of **Goals** and **Objectives** that will assist the MTHCD board and community in monitoring our process and progress.

### Goal #1

**Mark Twain Medical Center is a high quality hospital serving all residents of Calaveras County.**

- Partner with [Mark Twain Medical Center](#) and [Dignity Health](#) to optimize provider development through recruitment and retention.
- Review and evaluate the lease agreement with Mark Twain Medical Center Corporation.
- Execute a new lease with MTMC Corporation

### Goal #2

**Collaborate with the [Mark Twain Medical Center Foundation](#) to establish it as the foundation of choice for health services in Calaveras County.**

- Assist Fundraising for the new Angel's Camp and Valley Springs clinics.
- Identify new capital improvements for the [Mark Twain Medical Center](#).
- Host community health education services.
- Golden Health Awards

### Goal #3

**Develop with [Mark Twain Medical Center](#) and [The Dignity Health](#) System decision criteria for the provision of comprehensive Medical/Health services**

- Improve and implement the Regional Health needs assessment to identify specific areas of focus Calaveras County.
- Support and expand Telemedicine/Telehealth

## **Goal #4**

### **Establish the public identity of the Mark Twain Health Care District.**

- Publish annual report of the MTHCD for the community.
- Maintain highly functional web site that allows the community we serve to understand our services and meeting process.
- Increase over all visibility of the MTHCD through its activities throughout Calaveras County.
- Maintain Scholarship awards to motivate medical/health careers.

## **Goal #5**

### **Support access to care**

- Fund Health Fairs in multiple communities noting programs supported.
- Facilitate discussions about Community Education
- Promote medical clinics in multiple communities.
- Support safety net programs and services.
- Partner with Calaveras County Public Health Programs

## **Goal #6**

### **Development and completion of Valley Springs Project.**

- Complete Valley Springs Medical Center Project
- Access community needs for development of adjacent properties for future use.
- Establish business plan for management of this project

## **Goals and Objectives Reviewed June 22, 2015**

**Opinion of Probable Costs**

Key Project Data Information	Total Project	Site	Building	Other Costs non-grant related	ACTUAL SPEND	OVER/(UNDER)
Square Footage Totals	19,800	147,222	19,800			
Direct Construction Cost per SQFT	248	3.74	220			
Total Construction Cost per SQFT	276	4.14	245			
Total Project Cost per SQFT (including Financing)	\$ 350	\$ 7.18	\$ 297			
<b>Direct Construction Cost</b>						
Direct Construction Cost	\$ 4,856,555	\$ 500,555	\$ 4,356,000			\$ (4,856,555)
Monument Signs	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ -			\$ (50,000)
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -
<b>Total Direct Construction Cost</b>	<b>\$ 4,906,555</b>	<b>\$ 550,555</b>	<b>\$ 4,356,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (4,906,555)</b>
<b>In-Direct Construction Cost</b>						
Labor/Material & Performance Bonds (1.5%)	\$ 73,598	\$ 8,258	\$ 65,340			\$ (73,598)
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -
<b>Total In-Direct Construction Cost</b>	<b>\$ 73,598</b>	<b>\$ 8,258</b>	<b>\$ 65,340</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (73,598)</b>
<b>Construction Contingencies / Escalation</b>						
			10%			
Building Contingency	\$ 485,655	\$ 50,055	\$ 435,600		\$ 104,820	\$ (380,835)
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			
<b>Total Construction Contingencies / Escalation</b>	<b>\$ 485,655</b>	<b>\$ 50,055</b>	<b>\$ 435,600</b>		<b>\$ 104,820</b>	<b>\$ (380,835)</b>
<b>Total Construction Budget</b>	<b>\$ 5,465,809</b>	<b>\$ 608,869</b>	<b>\$ 4,856,940</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 104,820</b>	<b>\$ (5,360,989)</b>
<b>Equipment Budget</b>						
Group I - Fixed Medical Equipment	\$ -					
Group II - Major Movable Medical Equipment	\$ -					
Group III - Minor Movable Medical Equipment	\$ -					
Group IV- Instruments (relocation of med dispensers)	\$ -					
Food Service Equipment	\$ -					
Furniture Fixtures and Equipment Allowance	\$ -			\$ 700,000		\$ (700,000)
Graphic / Signage / Artwork / Plants	\$ -					
Nursecall & Code Blue Systems	\$ -					
Intercom/Public Address/Fixed AV	\$ -					
Radio Systems	\$ -					
Dictation Systems	\$ -					
Security/Video Surveillance/Access Control	\$ -					
Television	\$ -					
Structured Cabling / IT Allowance	\$ -			\$ 500,000		\$ (500,000)
PBX -Telecom (includes VM)	\$ -					
Desktop Devices (Desktops, Laptops, Handhelds & Printers)	\$ -					
Network Electronics	\$ -					
Software Applications (Installation, Licenses etc.)	\$ -					
Time & Attendance	\$ -					
IT Construction Project Mgmt	\$ -					
IT Construction 3rd Party Resources	\$ -					
Other Equipment Costs	\$ -					
<b>Total Equipment Budget</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,200,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (1,200,000)</b>

**Opinion of Probable Costs**

Key Project Data Information	Total Project	Site	Building	Other Costs non-grant related	ACTUAL SPEND	OVER/(UNDER)
<b>Consultant Fees</b>						
Architect/Engineer Fees	\$ 370,429	\$ 30,443	\$ 339,986		\$ 187,103	\$ (183,327)
Equipment Planner Fees	\$ -	\$ -				
Other Consultant Fees	\$ -	\$ -			\$ 4,175	\$ 4,175
<b>Total Consultant Fees Budget</b>	<b>\$ 370,429</b>	<b>\$ 30,443</b>	<b>\$ 339,986</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 191,278</b>	<b>\$ (179,152)</b>
<b>Administrative Costs</b>						
Permit Fees & Hook ups	\$ 410,000	\$ 260,000	\$ 150,000		\$ 7,459	\$ (402,541)
IOR/Special Inspections	\$ -					
Site Survey, Testing, Boring & Reports	\$ 67,500	\$ 27,500	\$ 40,000		\$ 15,250	\$ (52,250)
Testing Services	\$ 40,000		\$ 40,000			
Legal Fees	\$ 30,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 20,000		\$ 24,057	\$ (5,943)
Move-in Start-up	\$ -			tbd		
Internal Project Management	\$ -					
3rd Party Project Management	\$ 45,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 40,000			\$ (45,000)
Other Administrative Costs (includes Commissioning, Auditing, EIR)	\$ -					
<b>Total Administrative Cost</b>	<b>\$ 592,500</b>	<b>\$ 302,500</b>	<b>\$ 290,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 46,766</b>	<b>\$ (505,734)</b>
<b>Land &amp; Site Development</b>						
Land Acquisition	\$ -			\$ 890,000	\$ 903,112	\$ 13,112
Off Site Development	\$ -	tbd				
<b>Total Land &amp; Site Development Budget</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>		<b>\$ 890,000</b>	<b>\$ 903,112</b>	<b>\$ 13,112</b>
<b>Total (Construction+ Equipment + A/E Fees+ Admin Costs)</b>	<b>\$ 6,428,738</b>	<b>\$ 941,812</b>	<b>\$ 5,486,926</b>	<b>\$ 2,090,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,245,976</b>	<b>\$ (7,232,762)</b>
<b>Owner Reserves</b>						
		10% site, 5% Building				
Owner's Contingency	\$ 368,527	\$ 94,181	\$ 274,346			\$ (368,527)
Project Escalation - other than construction	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			
<b>Total Owner Reserves</b>	<b>\$ 368,527</b>	<b>\$ 94,181</b>	<b>\$ 274,346</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (368,527)</b>
<b>Total Project Capital Cost excluding Financing</b>	<b>\$ 6,797,265</b>	<b>\$ 1,035,993</b>	<b>\$ 5,761,272</b>	<b>\$ 2,090,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,245,976</b>	<b>\$ (7,601,290)</b>
Financing Costs (Final)	135,945	20,720	115,225		\$ 16,029	(119,916)
<b>Total Project Capital Cost including Financing</b>	<b>\$ 6,933,211</b>	<b>\$ 1,056,713</b>	<b>\$ 5,876,498</b>	<b>\$ 2,090,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,262,005</b>	<b>\$ (7,721,206)</b>

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<b>Row Labels</b>	<b>Sum of Amount</b>	<b>OPC Category</b>
Air Permitting Specialists	3,200	Site Survey, Testing, Boring & Reports
Aspen Street Architects	168,183	Architect/Engineer Fees
Calaveras County Planning Department	5,806	Permit Fees & Hook ups
Calaveras County Public Works	425	Permit Fees & Hook ups
California Certified Appraisers	500	Site Survey, Testing, Boring & Reports
Cardmember Service	299	Financing Cost
CCWD	1,003	Permit Fees & Hook ups
CSU Stanislaus	225	Permit Fees & Hook ups
First American Title Company	903,112	Land Acquisition
Hendrickson Consulting	15,730	Financing Cost
Kittelson & Associates	18,920	Architect/Engineer Fees
Kleinfelder	9,300	Site Survey, Testing, Boring & Reports
Meyers Nave	21,584	Legal Fees
Michael W. Skenfield	4,175	Other Consultant
Van Lieshout, Patrick	104,820	Building Contingency
Wiebe Land Surveying	2,250	Site Survey, Testing, Boring & Reports
Archer Norris	2,473	Legal Fees
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1,262,005</b>	