



**County of San Diego
SPONSORSHIP PROPOSALS
2014 Legislative Program**

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State Sponsorship Proposals

I. Community Services

A. Design-Build

Seek a change in state law to expand the use of the design-build process for projects costing less than \$2.5 million and extend or make permanent the authorization for counties to use design-build before that authorization sunsets on July 1, 2016.

B. All-Mail Ballot Elections

Seek a change in state law to authorize a pilot program for the County of San Diego to conduct all mail ballot elections.

C. Special Elections: Mail Ballot

Seek a change in state law to allow for special elections to be conducted by means of an all-mail ballot election for state legislative and congressional seats, as well as provide cities the option to conduct special elections for a ballot initiative using an all-mail ballot format.

II. Finance and General Government Group

A. Property Assessed Clean Energy (Board Directed)

Seek a change in state law to allow a Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) lien to be subordinated so that the County can further pursue options for residential PACE programs.

III. Health and Human Services

A. Information Sharing: Adult Protective Services and Child Welfare Services

Seek a change to current state law that governs Adult Protective Services multidisciplinary teams to allow for sharing of information with Child Welfare agencies.

B. FBI Background Checks for IHSS Providers

Seek a change in state law to require potential IHSS providers to submit to and cover the cost of FBI Background Checks prior to becoming an IHSS provider.

IV. Land Use and Environment

A. Beach Water Quality Testing (Board Directed)

Seek a change in state law to allow public agencies the option to use the quantitative polymerase chain reaction (qPCR) testing method to rapidly determine beach water quality so that results can be determined within hours rather than days.

V. Public Safety

- A. Human Trafficking and the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children** (Board Directed)
Seek a change in state law that strengthens penalties for crimes related to human trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation especially for those convicted of a crime associated with human trafficking or sexual exploitation on school grounds or within 1,000 feet of a school.

- B. Regional Communications System (RCS)**
Seek legislation to ensure that the County of San Diego can proceed with the appropriate procurement process for a critical voice communications system that enables interoperability between public safety agencies throughout San Diego and Imperial Counties in all types of emergencies and disasters.

Federal Sponsorship Proposals

I. Health and Human Services

- A. Refugee Impact Grant Program** (Board Directed)
Seek to establish a grant that would provide funding or appropriate funding from an existing federal discretionary grant to provide assistance to government agencies and community organizations in San Diego County heavily impacted by Iraqi refugees.

- B. Refugee Services: Results Based Contracting** (Board Directed)
Seek a change in federal procedure that would require the federal government to adopt outcome or results based contracting practices with the organizations they fund to provide refugee services.