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To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Birgitta Corsello, County Administrator  
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Subject: Biweekly Update of Significant Issues

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## 1. County Administrator's Update on Contracts

The County Administrator signed the following contracts of significance since the last Significant Issues update.

- Sheriff's Office, a contract with Kevin Lee Vaughn, D.V.M. (effective December 10, 2012 to June 30, 2013) to provide part-time veterinarian services for Animal Care Services, for a total of \$34,450.

## 2. Vallejo Veterans Loan Repaid

In November 2010, the Vallejo Veterans Memorial Building Council had an outstanding loan balance of \$11,985.67 on a General Fund loan as a result of the November 2005 Settlement Agreement and purchase of the new Veterans Memorial Building at 420 Admiral Callaghan Lane.

Pursuant to a repayment agreement approved by the Board, the Council had been making minimum payments of \$150 per month since January 1, 2011. On June 1, 2012, an additional payment of \$5,380 was made, and on December 10, 2012, another payment of \$2,264.67 was made resulting in full repayment of the loan.

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## 3. WIB Hosts Successful Recruitments for Mi Pueblo Foods

The Workforce Investment Board (WIB) Business Services team has provided employee recruitment assistance to Mi Pueblo Foods to fill positions at the store's Vallejo, San Rafael, San Pablo, Oakland, San Francisco, Antioch and Pittsburg locations. Over the last two months, Mi Pueblo has conducted several employee recruitment events and new-hire orientations at the WIB's Career Centers in Fairfield and Vallejo. The WIB assisted with the marketing of these events and provided conference room space and logistical support. These recruitment events were attended by 261 job seekers, with 116 attending new-hire orientations. Mi Pueblo hires a diverse workforce, with bilingual Spanish desired but not required.

In July 2011, Mi Pueblo opened their 21<sup>st</sup> location in Vallejo in the Solano/I-80 Shopping Center. Mi Pueblo Foods is the fastest growing independent supermarket in Northern California. Founded in 1991, this full service Latino grocery concept has their headquarters in San Jose, with stores in the San Francisco Bay Area, Central Valley, and Monterey Bay Peninsula. The stores are best known for providing an authentic Latino shopping experience, and feature over 17,000 imported products as well as mainstream and national brand labels. In addition, the store offers shuttle service back home for customers and employees. Mi Pueblo's community involvement includes annual food drives, a scholarship program, and a partnership with St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Employers who are interested in WIB's recruitment assistance or wage reimbursement program for new hires should contact the WIB Business Services Coordinator Lorraine Fernandez at (707) 863-3540 or [lfernandez@solanowib.org](mailto:lfernandez@solanowib.org).

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