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# Amazon to open Distribution Center in Shafter

**JAMIE STEWART**  
The Shafter Press

Amazon is opening a distribution center in Shafter, making it the second Amazon facility to open in Kern County.

The new center will be in the Wonderful Industrial Park and is expected to open later this year, bringing 1,000 jobs to the area. Amazon opened a facility in Bakersfield last year.

“Amazon is excited to make this investment in Kern County that will support local economic development and help us deliver to our growing number of customers in the region. As we continue to grow in California, we are contributing to the economic recovery in the Southern California

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and across the state,” said Jordan Nelson, director of Regional Operations for Amazon.

The distribution centers are responsible for sorting, packaging and shipping orders.

The center will be over 1 million square feet and bring around 1,000 jobs with a starting salary of \$15 an hour. Amazon officials have not said how many of the jobs will be full time and how many will be part time. Full-time positions include benefit packages. Amazon will also be hiring for roles in human resources, operations man-

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This center opened in Bakersfield in early 2020.

## Kern Ag commissioner, state department at impasse

**JAMIE STEWART**  
The Shafter Press

Negotiations about pesticide notifications between the Kern Ag commissioner and the state Department of Pesticide Regulation have broken down.

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Kern Ag Commissioner Glen Fankhauser recently wrote a letter to the state that he would not comply with Director Val Docini’s request to give the community advanced notification of when and where farmers plan to spray pesticides deemed particularly dangerous.

When AB617 passed in 2017, a steering committee was formed in Shafter to develop a plan to reduce emissions in the air. Made up of city officials, business owners and concerned citizens, the group has met monthly for over a year.

In December of 2019, the group turned over its plan to the California Air Resources Board for approval.

Then the pandemic hit, slowing the implementation of many items on the plan. According to Shafter



The steering committee was formed to help reduce emissions and improve air quality.

Mayor Cathy Prout, a member of the steering committee, there have been improvements made in efforts to reduce emissions.

“There is a plan in place to plant groups of trees, which will help the air quality,” Prout said. “There are also plans and programs in place to help farmers change their equip-

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## Kern County nears red tier

**TONI DEROSA AND JAMIE STEWART**  
Wasco Tribune, The Shafter Press

The region has seen a decrease in the amount of new coronavirus cases this past week, giving Kern County hope for a cautious return to the red tier in the near future.

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As of Tuesday, Feb. 23, Kern County Public Health Director Brynn Carrigan told the Board of Supervisors at its morning meeting that “the state will announce today that the county has an un-adjusted covid-19 case rate of 16.8 per 100,000 people with a state-adjusted rate, closer to 18.5 and the county is inching closer to the red tier.

The red tier is a less restricted tier, which allows schools to begin letting students in along with indoor dining as well as the reopening of gyms.

Football and winter sports were expected to begin playing by the end of January, yet, that hasn’t happened yet.

Comments from administrators of both school districts have stated in the past that it’s difficult to determine exactly where each district stands because the numbers change every day and some school districts predict a return to school by April 2021 while others maintain that school will not resume until fall 2021 for everyone.

According to Shafter High Principal Russell Shipley, the wait is frustrating but the district is being careful to make sure that the students and staff are safe and healthy throughout the process.

Cross country meets in the Wasco Union High School

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## Garcia selected as mayor for second term

**TONI DEROSA**  
Wasco Tribune

Mayor Alex Garcia has been appointed to serve a second term.

When Garcia was interviewed about two years ago, he stated that he felt the position of mayor should be more than just a one-year term. He often commented that “It would be nice if the mayor could serve two years instead of one because it takes almost a year to get your feet wet in the leadership position.”

Garcia said that he feels like he has had

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a two-year term being selected mayor once again so close to his last term.

“Alex cares deeply about the City of Wasco,” council member Vince Martinez said. “I felt it was important to have a well-spoken, experienced leader to help guide our city through these difficult times. Alex and I do not agree on every issue, but I have always found him to be willing to listen and make decisions he feels are best for the City of Wasco.”

Martinez also said that he feels Garcia’s willingness to listen and consider the input of those who don’t agree with him to be a quality of a strong leader.

Council member John Pallares also said that he voted for Garcia because he has experience.

Garcia is a hometown young man who graduated from Wasco High School in 2007. He was involved in Future Farmers of America in school and served as an officer at both the local chapter and sectional levels. He ran for a state FFA officer posi-

tion, but lost that.

“That’s when I got my first taste of politics,” Garcia said.

After graduation, Garcia attended Fresno State, where he spent time during the summers as a volunteer, registering voters in rural communities within Fresno County.

Upon graduation, he relocated to Las Vegas and worked on the Obama 2012 re-election campaign.

His political experiences had him walking the streets, putting up signs, addressing

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# Community Calendar

As activities restart and businesses reopen, we will try to update readers on the status of events and activities throughout the area. Please contact Erica Soriano with additions and changes at [esoriano@TheShafterPress.com](mailto:esoriano@TheShafterPress.com) or call 661-292-5100 by Monday at 4 p.m. for that week's paper.

## ONGOING

**Bengals Tryouts** - Bengals Football Tryouts will be Week 1: March 10, 11 and 12 from 5:30-7 p.m. and Week 2: March 17, 18 and 19 at Westside Park (across from the skate park). Athletes must live in the Wasco School District and turn 7 years old/cannot turn 15 years old on or before Nov. 15, 2021. Athletes must attend at least two tryout dates to be considered for selection. Athletes should come dressed in sports attire and bring a water bottle. Cleats preferred, but not mandatory. Only participating athletes are allowed inside training areas.

**Bengals Cheer Tryouts** - Bengals Cheer tryouts will be Tuesday, March 10 and Thursday, March 12 from 6-8 p.m. at the Palm Middle School Gymnasium, and Saturday, March 14 at Grace Community Church on 7th Street. Ages 7-10 years 9 a.m.-noon, Ages 11-14 years. Athletes must live in the Wasco School District and must turn 7 years old/cannot turn 15 years old before Nov. 15, 2021. Athletes must attend at least one tryout date prior to final evaluations. Athletes should come dressed in sports attire and bring a water bottle. Only participating athletes will be allowed inside training areas.

**Utility bills** — The City of Wasco reminds residents that the city's official website is the only authorized avenue to pay your utility bill online.

**Covid-19 testing** — There will be free covid-19 testing Wednesdays and Sundays at the Wasco Library, 1102 7th St., Wasco. If you have insurance, they will be billed. Appointments can be made at [lhi.care/covidtesting](https://lhi.care/covidtesting) or call 888-634-1123. Donde? Biblioteca de Wasco 1102 7th St, Wasco. Si no tiene acceso de internet llame al (888)634-1123.

**Reopened** — Shafter City Hall has reopened to the public from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Hours for the finance department are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 661-746-5000.

**Food2Door** — The program delivers 70 pounds of food once a month to seniors 65 and older, sponsored by the City of Shafter CAPK and Kern County. Call 661- 498-7831 ext. 1310 to find out if you're eligible for the program.

CAPK y el Condado de Kern "Programa FOOD2DOOR" atienden a personas may-

ors de 65 años . Una caja de comida de 70 libra cada mes se entrega directamente en la puerta. El programa no se basa en los ingresos, está diseñado para mantener a las personas en sus hogares y mantenerse saludables para que podamos vencer al COVID-19. Llame al 661-498-7831 ext. 1310 Para averiguar si es elegible para el programa e inscribirse hoy mismo.

## TUESDAY

**Senior lunch program** — The senior sack program gives out lunches to seniors every first and third Tuesday of the month at 11 a.m., sponsored by the Golden Gleaners. Griffith Avenue Baptist Church, 408 Griffith St., Wasco.

## THURSDAY

**Wasco Recreation & Park Board** — Meetings are on every 3rd Thursday of the month at 6 p.m. at the Hall at Barker Park, Wasco.

**Truth ministries** — Truth Ministries: A Faith Based 12-Step Program providing fellowship recovery will be held on Thursday nights from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Shafter Menonite Brethren Church, 400 Kern St. The program begins on Feb. 25. Call 661-746-4969 for more information.

## FRIDAY

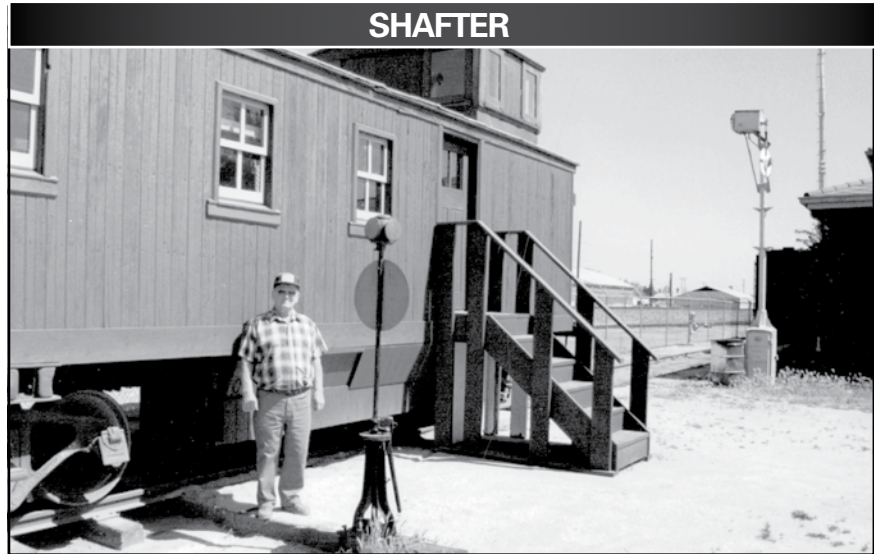
**Food giveaway** — The Impact Program is a weekly food giveaway provided to anyone in need, Fridays beginning at 7 a.m., first come, first serve. Griffith Avenue Baptist Church, 408 Griffith St., Wasco.

## SATURDAY

**Bulky waste drop off** — American Refuse is hosting a bulky waste drop-off event to help Keep Kern Beautiful on Saturday, March 6 at Barker Park, Wasco from 9 a.m. to noon. Drop off old furniture, home appliances, TVs, mattresses and water heaters. Not accepted include trash, green waste, hazardous materials, construction or remodeling scraps.

**Bulky waste drop off** — The Kern County Public Works is helping to Keep Kern Beautiful with a bulky waste drop off event on Saturday, March 20 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Richland School District, 300 N. Valley St., Shafter. Drop off old furniture, home appliances, TVs, mattresses and water heaters. Not accepted include trash, green waste, hazardous materials, construction or remodeling scraps.

## Mystery history



Here's this week's challenge, courtesy of the Shafter Historical Society. If you know the location, circumstances, exact or rough date and/or people in the photo, send your educated (or semieducated) guess to *The Press*, 406 Central Ave., Shafter 93263, or e-mail it to [mysteryphoto@TheShafterPress.com](mailto:mysteryphoto@TheShafterPress.com). Winners will be revealed here next week. **LAST WEEK:** The photo showed a snow day in Shafter in 1962.

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## ARREST REPORT

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As reported by the Shafter Police Department

#### FEB. 14

Pedro Moreno Garza, 53, of Shafter, was arrested on the 200 block of Rodriguez for obstruction public officer and possession of controlled substance.

#### FEB. 13

Luis Enrique Ortiz, 36, of Shafter, was arrested on the 28900 block of Riverside St. for evading a public officer, disregarding safety and possession of controlled substance.

#### FEB. 16

Dirk Barton Underwood, 50, of Shafter, was arrested on the 600 block of James St. on an outside felony warrant.

#### FEB. 17

Carlos Deleon, 42, of Shafter, was arrested on the 100 block of E. Lerdo for willful cruelty on a child and threatening to commit a crime with intent.

#### FEB. 18

Eladio Herrera, 23, of Shafter, was arrested on the corner of Hillman St. and Los

Angeles on a felony bench warrant.

Alejandra Yasenias As-torga, 26, of Shafter, was arrested on the 100 block of W. Orange for disorderly conduct: alcohol and possession of controlled substance paraphernalia.

Paul Cruz Gutierrez, 25, of Shafter, was arrested on E. Lerdo Hwy and Central Valley Hwy. for controlled paraphernalia, obstruction of a public officer, trespassing on railroad property and on a misdemeanor bench warrant.

Amanda Maria Soto, 36, of Shafter, was arrested on the 300 block of Arroyo Seco Ave. on an outside agency warrant.

#### FEB. 21

Santos Gutierrez III, 30, of Shafter, was for theft extortion of vehicle and possession of burglary tools.

### BUTTONWILLOW

As reported by the Kern County Sheriff's Office, Buttonwillow Substation

#### FEB. 15

Paulina Cota, 26, of Buttonwillow, was arrested at the

intersection of Buttonwillow Drive and Front Street in Buttonwillow for being in possession of a controlled substance, on a felony warrant and on a misdemeanor warrant.

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As reported by the Kern County Sheriff's Office, Wasco Substation

#### FEB. 15

Jesus Eduardo Miranda, 28, of Wasco, was arrested in the 600 block of North Maple Avenue on two felony warrants and three misdemeanor warrants. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Noemi Yolanda Salinas, 31, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1100 Poso Drive for misdemeanor driving without a license. She was cited and released at the scene.

#### FEB. 16

Ana Lopez, 48, of Wasco, was arrested in the 700 block of F Street on a misdemeanor warrant. She was cited and released at the scene.

Guadalupe Jose Ramos, 39, of Wasco, was arrested in the 700 block of G Street on two misdemeanor warrants, possession of drug paraphernalia, and possession of an open container of alcohol. He was cited and released at the scene.

#### FEB. 17

Joel Alberto Delval, 27, of Wasco, was arrested in the 1500 block of Shamrock Court for misdemeanor battery on a spouse. He was cited and released at the scene.

Anthony Ray Gracia, 26, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of Filburn Avenue and Palm Avenue for misdemeanor driving without a license. He was cited and released at the scene.

Melissa Gracia, 28, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of Gromer Avenue and Palm Avenue on a misdemeanor warrant. She was cited and released at the scene.

Garry Leon Owen, 32, of

Wasco, was arrested in the 400 block of North Central Avenue for misdemeanor shoplifting, disorderly conduct while under the influence of drugs, and use of public safety radio in the commission of a crime. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

Jesus Sepulveda, 36, of Wasco, was arrested in the 400 block of North Central Avenue on a felony warrant and misdemeanor shoplifting. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

#### FEB. 18

Jesus Eduardo Miranda, 28, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of Cabernet Drive and Bordeaux Drive for felony vandalism, vehicle theft, possession of a stolen vehicle, misdemeanor reckless driving, driving on a suspended license, possession of burglary tools, obstruction of an officer and aide or abet speed exhibition. He was

booked into the Kern County Jail.

Oscar Antonio Santiago, 20, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of 4th Street and Griffith Avenue for misdemeanor driving under the influence of alcohol, driving without a license, driving under the influence of alcohol while under the age of 21. He was booked into the Kern County Jail.

#### FEB. 19

Tyler Steven Criner, 37, of Bakersfield, was arrested in the 700 block of F Street on a misdemeanor warrant. He was cited and released at the scene.

#### FEB. 21

Nathan Lopez, 23, of Wasco, was arrested at the intersection of Poso Drive and Palm Avenue on a misdemeanor warrant, exhibition of speed and driving without a license. He was cited and released at the scene.

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# Members of St. John's say goodbye to Father Sanchez-Flores

**TONI DEROSA**  
Wasco Tribune

Father Raul A. Sanchez-Flores has been relocated to St. Joseph's Church in Selma. Sanchez-Flores joined St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church six years ago as parish priest.

When asking Sanchez-Flores whether or not he had a choice in accepting a new assignment, he said when a parish priest is asked to change locations, the priest usually agrees to the move.

"On Tuesday Feb. 19, I received a phone call from Father Sal Gonzalez, Vicar General, who was calling on behalf of our bishop, Most Reverend Joseph V. Brennan, D.D," Sanchez-Flores said. "After a brief greeting, Father Sal told me: Bishop Joe wants you to take care of St. Joseph, Selma. I was in shock for a few seconds and I asked: 'Can I think about it?' However, I remembered that we owe obedience to our bishop and after a minute I said: 'How can I say no to our bishop. I feel honored he trusts me at St Joseph's in Selma.'"

Sanchez-Flores said that he was unable to tell anyone about his reassignment until he received a letter from Bishop Joseph V. Brennan to make it official.

"I want everybody to know that it was very sad for me to leave. My six and one-half years at St. John the Evangelist, Wasco was a great learning experience," he said. "On July 2014 Wasco began as an assignment but with time it became a family and my home."

Sanchez-Flores added that he often received compliments from both English and

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Spanish-speaking parishioners that he had done a lot; however, the way he sees it, everyone did it together.

"I had the vision to work for the spiritual and material benefit of the parish and people believed in it," he added. "My favorite places to go that last few years were to Home Depot and True Value. There were always projects to be done."

He feels at times that he didn't do enough because there were some big projects he couldn't do.

"A year ago I was planning to install an air conditioner system for the parish hall," he said. "It was a \$120,000 project. A mechanical engineer was already working with the blueprint of the hall to make a decision on how to install the system. I am glad we did not start the project during the pandemic."

Replacing Sanchez-Flores will be Father Guillermo Preciado.

"I don't doubt that he will do a great job as the new spiritual guide," he said.

Sanchez-Flores is familiar with the Selma area as his first assignment was as priest at St. Anthony of Padua, Reedley.

"During that time, I used to help Vigil Masses with Father Efrain Martinez, who was the pastor those days," he said.

He also said that he hopes to bring to St. Joseph's what he has learned from ministering the community of St. John's.

"My philosophy is that we can always improve ourselves. I was always proud and grateful of all volunteers sharing their time



**Father Raul A. Sanchez Flores**

and talent with the community," he said. "I know the St. Joseph community is hungry to work and fulfill a relationship with God through a sacramental life and work."

Sanchez-Flores also added that he will pray to his new patron St. Joseph, but also to his beloved St. John the Evangelist for their intercession.

"I am very grateful with residents of Wasco but also good friends from Shafter and Delano," he said.

In addition, Sanchez-Flores asked that everyone pray for Preciado and himself so both, with the help of the community, do their part working for the communities trusted to their care.

"Finally, I am very grateful with our emeritus Bishop Ochoa for trusting me with St John's, Wasco six and a one-half years and with our current Bishop Joe for this new mission at St Joseph Selma," he said.

St. John parishioner and Mayor Pro Tem

Gilberto Reyna said that Sanchez-Flores has been a great spiritual leader for the St. John parish.

"Shortly after arriving in our community, Father Raul attracted many more Catholic faithful to our church by celebrating a much-needed additional weekend Mass," Reyna said. "He provided opportunities for all parish groups to participate in the church and offered them spiritual guidance to help them grow in their faith. He made many improvements to the church building, moved a beautifully carved altar from the chapel to the nave and added a new tabernacle and wood paneling all around it."

Reyna also said that Sanchez-Flores installed window treatments and added the church's name to the steeple as well as new lighting to the building's exterior.

"He made our church more beautiful," he added. "Through the generous donation of a parishioner, he installed new church bells. He also remodeled the Parish Hall and the old Convent building and moved the church offices to the latter."

Reyna also said that Sanchez-Flores had all the creative ideas that made the church more parishioner-friendly and more beautiful and he was personally involved with all of the above undertakings, often making trips to get materials needed to complete the projects.

"Learning of Father Raul's departure from our parish saddens me," Reyna said. "I realize I'm not only saying goodbye to my spiritual pastor but my good friend. I wish him the best. I pray to God to guide Father Raul's steps in his new journey."

# Pizza Factory reopens under new owners

**TONI DEROSA**  
Wasco Tribune

Wasco residents are like everyone else, they love their pizza and wings and an occasional ice cold beer or soft drink. That's exactly what owner of Pizza Factory Russ Adkins was hoping for when he made a career move from teaching to owning a franchise.

Due to family illness, Adkins was forced to close Pizza Factory; however, CEO Mary Jane Riva and her husband, Bob, from Oakhurst decided to rescue the Wasco Pizza Factory. The restaurant reopened its doors Feb. 11.

"Russ did such an outstanding job relating to the community in Wasco," Riva said. "This was a store we knew needed to stay open."



**Riva is with birthday boy Christopher Padilla as he celebrates his 17th birthday.**

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Riva said that there are 105 stores in five states and a new model is being created currently in Texas.

Riva also said that there are currently 13 employees in Wasco with three drivers ready to deliver hot pizza to customers.

Prior to the pandemic, the restaurant was a favorite spot to hold meetings and end-of-season sporting celebrations.

Even though Kern County is still in the most restrictive tier, restaurants are able to provide take-out or delivery.

A large white outdoor dining tent sits outside the restaurant in the parking lot. Riva also said that the city did a lot to make Pizza Factory feel welcome again.

"The city asked us if we wanted outdoor dining available, and we said yes," Riva said. "Next thing I knew, there was a large tent in the parking lot."

Riva said that it's difficult to believe that the state has been going through the pandemic for almost an entire year.

Pizza Factory is currently part of an anti-bullying program and No Kid Hungry. Donations to No Kid Hungry will provide food to kids in America.

Pizza Factory offers appetizers such as twisted breakfast, garlic bread, meatballs and wings; salads and soup such as pasta salad, antipasto, Cesar and Greek salads and seasonal soup of the day; pasta such as lasagna, calzones and



**Some of the 13 employees working at Pizza Factory.**

lots of pizza choices. Gluten free and cauliflower crusts are also available.

Pizza Factory is continuing to hire and is open Monday-Thursday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Manager for the Wasco Pizza Factory will be Hugo Zubia who has worked in the McFarland store for the past 10 years.

"My first job was in 1990 opening the store in Murietta," Riva said. "Prior to that I owned a donut shop."

She added that her brother and sister had

a Pizza Factory.

Riva said that Pizza Factory is not like other franchises because they want to become a familiar face within each community in which a store is located.

Riva also mentioned that followers can sign up to be a follower online to receive special offers.

"Customers should register online to hear about updates and extra events that are happening," she said.

To place an order, call 661-240-5262.

# Bulky waste drop-off to take place in March

**JAMIE STEWART**  
The Shafter Press

There will be two bulky waste events held in March for the residents of Shafter and Wasco who need to dispose of items that don't normally fit in regular trash containers.

The event in Wasco will be held on Saturday, March 6, at Barker Park on Poso Avenue. It will be from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The Shafter event will be on Saturday, March 20 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the

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Richland School District.

During the pandemic, bulky waste drop-off events were not held and more items were dumped illegally, said Shafter Public Works Director Michael James.

The alleyways of Shafter can be popular dumping grounds for unwanted mattresses, chairs, tires, that residents don't want to haul to the landfill, James said.

When items are dumped illegally in the

alleys of a neighborhood, funds have to be taken out of the city's General Fund to cover the act of picking up the items and disposing of them properly.

"We don't have a crew that is designated to pick up illegally dumped items," said James. "We have been fortunate enough in the past to have American Refuse hold a couple of bulky waste events in Shafter that allows the residents to dispose of those items not considered regular trash, without a fee for the service. Unfortunately, a

couple of the bulky waste events that were originally scheduled for last year had to be canceled due to the coronavirus issue."

James said that the state is implementing a Bill that will stop the use of barrel cans in alley collection.

"Eventually, all residents will be given their own containers that they will be responsible for. We are hoping that this will help alleviate the issue of illegal dumping, with the absence of the big cans in the alleys," he said.

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# Vaccination center approved by district

**TONI DEROSA**  
Wasco Tribune

The Recreation and Parks District has voted to allow the state to open the veteran's hall as a vaccination center.

The board voted to approve the center at a special meeting on Feb. 19.

Juan Bernal also provided a report at the regular meeting on Thursday, Feb. 18 on the district's research into the costs of construction of a new salt water swimming pool. The district is close to finalizing the grant application for the pool.

"The final reviews can be submitted over the next week or two," said Vice Chair Kayla Castillo. "The authorizing resolution

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needs to be resigned."

Board member Erica Marin also mentioned to the board members that the city has a budget for the district of \$350,000 this year from Measure X funds as well as \$350,000 next year that could go toward the pool.

Board Chairman Sharon Sharp said since Wasco does not have a bowling alley, theater, or other activity outlets for residents, it's important that the district provide as much in activities as it can for all age groups. Sharp suggested a slogan for the district such as "Getting Moving Wasco."

The board members brainstormed on

being creative with different activities. Castillo emphasized that the parks are where social outlets are available for everyone and are big central locations in town.

Bernal then reported the current programs at the district are: Trailblazers (cross country) with 35 participants, girls' baseball, and a coach training program.

"The district is still working on getting coaches," he said.

Castillo added that she noticed a skate park was very popular at another park in the county and she said there were a lot of kids at the skate park. She said Wasco should consider a skate park.

At the conclusion of the activity discussion,

Sharp reported that the fire extinguishers had all been updated. Additionally, she mentioned that the park lighting is almost completed.

"We need to spend more time on irrigation," she said. "The district is looking into artificial turf."

Castillo then asked Chris to meet with the city to see if a joint venture could be reached between the Recreation and Parks District to share the cost of a part-time safety employee.

In other board business, Marin brought up changes that need to be made with the district manager job description. The board voted to change some of the wording of the description to read "Bachelor's degree preferred with a starting salary of \$80,000."

# Red Wagon Café reopens with new owners

**BY JOSHUA DEVORE**  
Special to the Shafter Press

In January, two brothers from Shafter with a close friend opened their first restaurant at 18800 Beach Ave., the corner of Beech Avenue (State 143) and Burbank.

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Due to the times we live in and covid-19 this has been what the industry calls a soft opening. Word of mouth is spreading and the iconic red train carriage with an indoor seating of 25 is open again from Tuesday through Saturday from 5 a.m. till 1 p.m. for takeout as well as breakfast and lunch dining. You might wish to call ahead for seating on Friday or Saturday. The Red Wagon Café can be reached at 661-630-2032.

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The new owners are Matt and J.J. Hernandez and Elliot Meacham. The brothers were the cooks on our two visits. Matt got his training in Bakersfield, working his way up from line cook to a stint at Frugatti's as a chef. Their training and experience bode well for the success of the Red Wagon Café. We were greeted with smiles on our arrival and the general feeling was one of friendly openness.

My wife and I went to breakfast on a Wednesday and we each ordered the "Let's Build It" breakfast starting at \$11. It starts with a choice of five meats and eggs, I had scrambled and my wife over easy, we chose bacon (four thick cut slices) hash browns or our choice of country fried potatoes, and a choice of toast or biscuit and gravy. The por-

tions are generous and the ingredients are freshly prepared that morning. For drinks I had coffee and my wife water. The coffee is a special blend from a local producer made just for the Red Wagon Café and can be purchased separately for home use. It is a good hearty blend with a nice aroma. Service was quick and the food worth the price.

Our lunch visit was on Friday, Feb. 19 and we arrived a little after 11 a.m. The café was full but we were seated right away. I had the lunch special, a hot beef sandwich served with mashed potatoes and gravy and beans. My wife had a burger and a cup of clam chowder. Other options included a tri tip sandwich. My wife said the burger was the best she had tasted in quite a while. She also appreciated the plate with lettuce, tomatoes, onions and pickle slices on the

side still fresh on delivery. There is also an option of several types of cheeses for the burgers. To drink I had iced tea and my wife water. As with breakfast the portions were generous and filled the plate. The pulled beef on an open toasted bun covered with the gravy from the mashed potatoes was delicious. My wife commented on the flavor of the chowder and the large portions of the clams. They serve the usual variety of soft drinks, coffee, tea and water.

We got to chat briefly with the brothers while there was a lull in the cooking about this venture and their plans. Both are Shafter born and raised and live here now. Each also has a full-time job as well as the restaurant so this is a labor of love. We wish them well, as another good restaurant in Shafter is a very good thing.

## Suspects sought in December homicide


**TONI DEROSA**  
Wasco Tribune

A Wasco man was killed after being shot multiple times Dec. 23 and deputies are looking for information.

Jamie Ringold, of Wasco, was found suffering from several gunshot wounds near the intersection of 16th and D Street by Kern County Sheriff's Office deputies. Ringold was pronounced deceased.

The suspects fled in a burgundy or brown-colored, older model, four door SUV or Crossover vehicle.

If anyone has information regarding the suspects or the vehicle, they are asked to call the Kern County Sheriff's Office at 661-861-3110, or the Secret Witness Hotline at 661-322-4040.



## Impasse over notice of pesticide spraying

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ment to more eco-friendly machines, improving the air quality as well."

Regarding the pesticide issue, Prout said that there had been a couple of plans submitted, but they didn't go far enough in notifying the public when spraying.

"There is a notification plan in place that has door knockers placed on homes in the area when certain pesticides are going to be sprayed," said Prout.

According to Fankhauser, the efforts the committee are making for being notified is unreasonable and he said that the information could also be used against the farmers by members of the committee who want to eliminate spraying altogether. Fankhauser said there are other motives in play other than protecting the residents and giving them adequate notice before spraying.

There have been efforts by third-party mediators to help with the impasse, but those too broke down.

Shafter High graduate and former state Sen. Dean Florez, who now serves on the California Air Resources Board, attempted to mediate a resolution between the two parties, but his efforts lasted one meeting, after which he backed off of the situation.

Florez has not provided a reason for why he is no longer involved in the effort to resolve the situation.

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## COUCH'S CORNER

# Spring

**DAVID COUCH**  
Kern County Supervisor 4th District

Spring is around the corner, and with it, spring cleanups. That's why I'm pleased to announce that this month the Board of Supervisors approved the bylaws and the formation of the Keep Kern Beautiful Committee, of which you can be a part.

With the official formation of this committee on Feb. 9, the county becomes an affiliate of Keep America Beautiful, the national organization, in its effort to increase awareness of the problem of litter and the need for beautification, but it also connects us and all of the communities of Kern County into this web of organizations working to make America, and Kern County, more beautiful.

In many cases, the volunteer networks and the public agencies are already doing the work of picking up litter, wiping out graffiti and planting trees, flowers and gardens. Schools and families might be already teaching on the need to take pride in one's community. But with affiliation, we harness the connectivity and the resources of each other and the national, state and county organizations dedicated to this purpose. And, with the formation of this committee, we get greater citizen participation in this effort.


In District 4, expect to see more collaborations immediately, starting this spring, that will reflect how this affiliation can help Kern County and our District 4 communities.

In Shafter, for instance, the AB 617 Steering Group identified as part of its efforts, the need to plant more trees. Through our affiliations and our collaborations, we have enlisted the Tree Foundation of Kern, along with our Keep Kern Beautiful partners, in particular Lynnda Martin from American Refuse, Shafter's waste and recycling hauler, to develop a plan to plant nearly \$100,000 of trees in the Shafter area, to clean up the air but also to beautify the city. Volunteers will be needed in this effort, when it's time to plant the trees, and KKB is positioned to engage the community to participate in this effort.

Throughout District 4, groups are already engaged in efforts to beautify their communities and enlist volunteers to support those efforts. Steve Kinsey in Delano, Mayor Olivia Trujillo in Arvin and Jose Gonzalez from Lamont, to name just a few, immediately come to mind. Their efforts preceded KKB, but with KKB, their efforts can be enhanced, in terms of increased awareness, increased community support, and resources that can be gathered. And by bringing awareness of each other's efforts, and by cheerleading those efforts, so to speak, momentum can be created that can generate more activity, and more pride, in one's community.

Our next steps are the creation of the committee. Two representatives from each supervisorial district will be selected, and they, along with any person with a passion for building this kind of beautification program, should contact their district offices to see how to get involved. While the committee will be a select "official" group, the people who can make a difference in our communities are limitless. There will also be room at the table for volunteers and people passionate about keeping Kern beautiful, about making Kern more beautiful.

Got any questions about this or any District 4 matter? Contact us at district4@kerncounty.com or at 661-868-3680. Have a beautiful week.



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# Garcia selected as mayor for second term

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public forums, making political speeches and holding impromptu gatherings in support of political ideas or candidates. Garcia is knowledgeable about the history in Wasco and is up to date on ordinances and resolutions the city has passed.

Garcia is also Wasco's youngest mayor. Former mayor Tilo Cortez said in an earlier interview that Garcia is passionate about Wasco and what he can do to keep making Wasco the best place to live.

In the November 2020 election, incumbent Garcia ran unopposed.

"It's an honor to serve, and it speaks volumes of the confidence my colleagues have in my leadership on this council and in the community," Garcia said.

He envisions his focus to the city committing to sustainably delivering services for residents such as providing clean drinking water, waste removal and road repairs in the midst of a pandemic.

"With that being said," he added, "City Hall must weigh the decrease in revenues versus ever-increasing costs for maintenance, services and safety. Despite the challenges ahead, I'm confident our city

can meet the moment of the current health crisis."

Garcia is currently co-hosting weekly collaborative safety meetings due to a number of factors such as state prison realignment, covid-19, law enforcement policy to limit contact, overcrowding in our county jails, and the dissolving of the sheriff's gang unit.

"Depending on how you see it, having a city with little big-box retailers impacted by the volatility of 2020 we have seen less than projected shortfalls in the city budget," Garcia said. "Innovatively operating local government is our top priority."

Garcia feels that in order to rally residents around public safety and other neighborhood programs, the city must begin with an opportunity for them to voice concerns and ideas.

"It's paramount that residents feel heard in order to expect families to take ownership of this issue and the 'Moms' group," Garcia said. "Once we get organized, we can streamline the feedback local leaders receive regarding the kind of community we envision for the future of Southgate.



2021 Mayor Alex Garcia.

That includes advocating for pedestrian lighting, recreation opportunities, training deputies on bike/foot patrols, and even reprogramming county dollars for gang preven-

tion."

Garcia also added that he can't do this alone. This began with the Mayor and Moms meetings that all residents are welcome to participate. He suggested that residents consider this something like his previous Mondays with the Mayor 2.0.4.

"Now after swearing my second oath-of-office, I feel like I've been around the block a few times. I am certain now with my unopposed re-election and re-appointment as city mayor I have been given an unmistakable mandate to lead. In my first four-years, residents witnessed what I can deliver when I hit the ground running," he said. "Armed with a renewed sense of urgency and passion for service, I'm ready to put the 'pedal to the metal' this year as mayor."

Garcia also plans to focus on industrial growth in the area and he continues to stay involved with discussions regarding the High Speed Rail.

"Since it is happening and going to come through Wasco, I want to make the best of it and reap the biggest reward for our residents as possible," he said.

## Kern County nears red tier

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District have been occurring, first with Wasco High vs. Bakersfield Christian and also Garces.

"We don't have an update yet on WUHS sports," Superintendent Rob Cobb said on Monday.

In Shafter, the high school has to wait on word from the Kern High School District.

With Kern County still in the purple tier, the only sport that is ac-

ceptable for schools to participate in, according to the CIF, is cross country. Recently the Kern High School District Board decided that they would not OK schools to begin their cross country seasons, saying that the number of cases in the district are still too high to feel comfortable competing in a sports season.

That makes it unlikely that Kern High Schools will have any sports this year, unless Kern County does make

it into the red tier. With a newly positioned place in the red tier, it would take Kern County schools at least two weeks to prepare for the seasons, giving the schools a narrow window in which to hold their seasons.

This past week, Wasco's number of positive covid-19 tests was up 45 cases for a total of 5,234 cases since the pandemic began.

In Shafter, total positive cases were up by 53 cases to a total of 3,398 cases.

## Center to open late 2021

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agement, safety, security, finance, and information technology. The company offers up to 20 weeks of maternal and parental paid leave and innovative benefits such as Leave Share and Ramp Back, which give new parents flexibility with their growing families.

According to Business Development Director Bob Meadows, the fiber optic network that the city has, which is the only one of its kind in all of Kern County, is a major draw, as well as its desirable location and its rail facilities.

"Shafter has a lot of assets that these companies are looking for, making us a great destination for those in need of perfect pipeline from the major cities to the

north and the south," he said.

The plots in the Wonderful Industrial Park are built as "shells." These shells are starting points for prospective businesses who want an existing building to modify the inside and not build from scratch.

Mayor Cathy Prout said that Shafter has remained competitive and in a strong position for major companies.

"During unprecedented times, cities nationwide are dealing with economic growth or the negative impacts these challenging times bring," she said. "For Shafter, this is not the case. We remain competitive and continue to welcome new businesses, such as Amazon, who are eager to pursue success and bring new jobs to Shafter."

## OBITUARIES

**Harold "Hoot" Gibson**  
Oct. 3, 1947 –  
Feb. 23, 2021

Harold Dean Gibson, known by many as "Hoot" was born in Wasco on Oct. 3, 1947, to parents, J Harold and Marie Gibson.

He attended local schools and graduated from Wasco High before attending college classes at B.C. Hoot then completed his bachelor's degree at UNLV, which he attended on a football scholarship. After college he married Dru Cantrell, and during their 30 plus years of marriage the couple were blessed with two daughters, Erica and Julie.

In 2002 Hoot married Chris (Kuhn) Gibson, and the couple enjoyed the last 19 years together. He worked in agriculture for



33 years and retired as an inspector for the USDA in 2010. Hoot loved to work on old cars and play golf in his free time; he also enjoyed traveling the world and seeing the sights.

Hoot was preceded in death by his parents, J Harold and Marie; as well as a grandson, Braeden. He is survived by his wife, Chris;

his two daughters, Erica and husband Brooks Pearson, and Julie Hardwick; his step-sons, Robert Adamak and fiancé Edna, and Brian Adamak and wife Becky; one sister, Joyce and husband Bill Andrews; and his brother, James Gibson and wife Debbie.

Hoot passed away, surrounded by family, at his residence in Wasco, on Feb. 23, 2021. A viewing will be held at Peters Funeral Home in Wasco, Friday, Feb. 26, from 10 a.m. to noon. Graveside services will follow at Wasco Memorial Park at 1 p.m. where Pastor Jonathan Rhoades and Pastor Dave Bocker will officiate. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Wasco High Athletic Department.

**Jesus "Moose" Torres**  
Jan. 19, 1970 –  
Feb. 5, 2021

Jesus "Moose" Torres, 51, passed away on Feb. 5, 2021 at his home in Wasco.

Jesus was born on Jan. 19, 1970 in Nuevo Chupicuaro, Guanajuato, Mexico, to Nicolas and Maria Torres. Jesus grew up in Shafter, where he attended Shafter High School, Class of '88.

More recently, Jesus was continuing his education by attending Bakersfield College where he was set to graduate with honors and receive his associates degree in industrial technology. Moose worked for the Housing Authority of Kern County, where he was a beloved maintenance worker who brought joy to the lives



of everyone he encountered. Moose had many passions, but his greatest love was that which he held for his family. He was everyone's favorite uncle. Jesus would often be found surrounded by his many nieces and nephews whom he would celebrate as often as possible, especially his godson.

Nikkolai, his "Baby Shark." Jesus is survived by his two daughters, Jesenia and Izabela; his two sons, Dario and Jesus Jr.; his mother, Maria; his siblings, Nick Torres, Sonia Saldana, Rigo Torres and Wendy Alberto; and countless nieces, nephews and cousins. Jesus was set to be a grandfather later this year. Jesus was reunited in eternal life with his father, Nicolas Torres Sr., and his brother Ivan Torres, whom we miss dearly every day. A celebration of life was held at Basham and Lara Funeral Care in Shafter on Feb. 18. Mass was held at St. Therese Catholic Church in Shafter on Feb. 19, followed by a burial service at the Shafter Cemetery.

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

## PUBLIC NOTICE

## Notice of Petition to Administer Estate of:

**Maria D. Rodriguez, aka Maria De Jesus Rodriguez**

**CASE NUMBER: BPB-21-002118**

1. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Maria D. Rodriguez, aka Maria De Jesus Rodriguez

2. A Petition for Probate has been filed by: Francisco Rodriguez, III in the Superior Court of California, County of: Kern

3. The Petition for Probate requests that: Francisco Rodriguez, III be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

4. The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

5. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.)

The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

6. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

a. Date: 3/25/2021 Time: 10:30A.M. Dept.: DIV. "P"

b. Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Kern, 1215 Truxtun Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93301, Metropolitan Division

7. If you object to the granting of the petition you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

8. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

9. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

10. Attorney for petitioner: Nancy L. Oehler, Esq.

Klein, Denatale, Goldner, et al. 4550 California Avenue, 2nd Floor Bakersfield, CA 93309 (661) 395-1000

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

## Notice of Petition to Administer Estate of:

**Dana Wenell Isaac, aka Dana W. Isaac, aka Dana Isaac**

**Case Number: BPB-18-002806**

1. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Dana Wenell Isaac, aka Dana W. Isaac, aka Dana Isaac

2. A Petition for Probate has been filed by: Jeremy Haworth in the Superior Court of California, County of: Kern

3. The Petition for Probate requests that: Jeremy Haworth be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

5. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.)

The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

6. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

a. Date: March 12, 2021 Time: 8:30 a.m. Dept.: P

b. Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Kern, 1215 Truxtun Ave, Bakersfield, 93301, Metro Justice Building

This matter is submitted as "Proper Cause" to Be Submitted on the Pleadings (PSP)." All matters approved as PSP will be granted unless you appear at the hearing and object when the PSP calendar is called.

7. If you object to the granting of the petition you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

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10. Attorney for petitioner: Joshua G. Wilson, Esq.

Darling & Wilson PC 1626 19th Street, Suite 23/ PO Box 2411 Bakersfield, CA 93303 (661) 325-5075

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

## CITY OF SHAFTER

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 9, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., the Shafter Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing to consider the following:

General Plan Amendment No. 21-35; Zone Change No. 21-69: A request to change the land use designation under the City of Shafter General Plan from MDR (Medium Density Residential) to C/PO (Commercial/Professional Office) and to change the zoning under Title 17 of the Shafter Municipal Code from R-2 (Medium Density Residential) to GC (General Commercial) on an approximate 7,500 square foot residential lot (APN 026-113-06) located on the north side of W. Lerdo Highway, approximately 250 feet west of N. Shafter Avenue, adjacent to Taco Bell. The proposal is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 15061(b)(3).

Said hearing is open to the public and all persons interested are invited to attend and be heard. Copies of the above documents are on file in the office of the Planning Department at City Hall, 336 Pacific Avenue, Shafter, California, and are available for public review. Any person wishing to be heard, or wishing to present evidence either for or against the approval of said project, is hereby notified and directed to either appear at the time and place aforesaid or send written comments to the Suzanne Forrest, Senior Planner ((661) 746-5002) at City Hall, 336 Pacific Avenue, Shafter, California 93263 or by e-mail at [sforrest@shafter.com](mailto:sforrest@shafter.com). Anyone challenging any proposed development entitlement listed in this notice in court may be limited to raising those issues addressed at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the City Clerk at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Consistent with Executive Order N-29-20, in person participation by the public will not be permitted and no physical location from which the public may observe the meeting will be available. You are strongly encouraged to observe the Planning Commission meetings live via YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/user/CityofShafter/>. If you wish to make a comment on a specific agenda item or public comment, please submit your comment via email by 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 to the City Clerk at [CityClerk@shafter.com](mailto:CityClerk@shafter.com). If you wish to make a written comment to the City Clerk, 336 Pacific Avenue, Shafter, CA 93263. If you wish to make a comment during the live meeting, callers must first register with the City Clerk at 661-746-5012 before the meeting begins to receive instructions and the call-in number and code. Please call by 5:00 pm on the Monday prior to the Planning Commission meeting to allow ample time for sign up. You will need to provide your name, phone number and the item number you wish to address. All public comments are provided to the Planning Commission and applicable Staff, for review and consideration by the Commission prior to taking action on any matters listed on the agenda and are incorporated into the official record of the Planning Commission meeting.

Dated: February 18, 2021 Yazmina Pallares, City Clerk Publish *Shafter* Press February 25, 2021

## PUBLIC NOTICE

## Fictitious Business Name Statement

## Big Stop Market

## 2021-B0096

127 S Shafter Ave

Shafter, CA 93263

County:Kern

Mailing address of business:

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State of Incorporation or Organization: CA

The business is conducted by: Corporation

Date the business commenced: NA

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/s/Lovedeep Joshan, President Date Statement Filed: 01/11/2021 Date Statement Expires: 01/11/2026

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By: /s/M Hernandez

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

## Fictitious Business Name Statement

## Ocampo BNS

## 2021-B0031

1209 E Street

Wasco, CA 93280

County:Kern

Mailing address of business:

975 Redwood Ave

Wasco, CA 93280

Rosa I. Ocampo

975 Redwood Ave

Wasco, CA 93280

Ernesto Ocampo

975 Redwood Ave

Wasco, CA 93280

The business is conducted by: Married Couple

Date the business commenced: 12/21/2020

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/s/Rosa I. Ocampo Date Statement Filed: 01/16/2021 Date Statement Expires: 01/16/2026

Mary B. Bedard, CPA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

By: /s/N Franco Publish *Shafter* Press February 4, 11, 18, 25, 2021

## PUBLIC NOTICE

## Fictitious Business Name Statement

## Brian Hicks Real Estate Group

## 2021-B0248

10111 Rosedale Hwy., Suite 100

Bakersfield, CA 93312

County: Kern

Mailing address of business:

10111 Rosedale Hwy., Suite 100

Bakersfield, CA Kern

Hicks Holding Corporation

14334 Searspoint

Bakersfield, CA 93312

State of Incorporation or Organization: CA

The business is conducted by: Corporation

Date the business commenced: 12/04/2000

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/s/Brian Hicks, President Date Statement Filed: 01/20/2021 Date Statement Expires: 01/20/2026

Mary B. Bedard, CPA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

By: /s/M Hernandez Publish *Shafter* Press February 4, 11, 18, 25, 2021

## PUBLIC NOTICE

## Fictitious Business Name Statement

## Brimhall Pediatrics

## 2021-B0327

9840 Brimhall Road

Bakersfield, CA 93312

County:Kern

Mailing address of business:

9840 Brimhall Road

Bakersfield, CA 93312

Lyndon & Belinda Senar MD's Inc.

9840 Brimhall Road

Bakersfield, CA 93312

State of Incorporation or Organization: CA

The business is conducted by: Cor-

poration

Date the business commenced: 01/13/2009

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/s/Lyndon A. Senar, President Date Statement Filed: 01/26/2021 Date Statement Expires: 01/26/2026

Mary B. Bedard, CPA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

By: /s/M Hernandez Publish *Shafter* Press February 4, 11, 18, 25, 2021

## PUBLIC NOTICE

## Fictitious Business Name Statement

## MCM Cart Collections and Maintenance

## 2021-B0355

694 Acacia Ave

Shafter, CA 93263

County:Kern

Mailing address of business:

694 Acacia Ave

Shafter, CA 93263

Matthew Cain Maldonado

694 Acacia Ave

Shafter, CA 93263

The business is conducted by: Individual

Date the business commenced: N/A

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/s/Matthew Maldonado Date Statement Filed: 01/27/2021 Date Statement Expires: 01/27/2026

Mary B. Bedard, CPA, Auditor-Controller-County Clerk

By: /s/M Hernandez Publish *Shafter* Press February 11, 18, 25, March 4, 2021

## PUBLIC NOTICE

## Fictitious Business Name Statement

## Kern ENT Clinic

## 2021-B0485

2701 16th St Suite A

Bakersfield, CA 93301

County: Kern

Mailing address of business:

2701 16th St Suite A

Bakersfield, CA 93301

Victor V. Kitt MD

7601 Calle Cerca

Bakersfield, CA 93309

The business is conducted by: Individual

Date the business commenced: N/A

A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)

/s/Victor V. Kitt MD Date Statement Filed: 02/02/2021 Date Statement Expires: 02/02/2026

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

## Fictitious Business Name Statement

## Yard Art By B

## 2021-B0403

419 Santa Maria Way

Shafter, CA 93263

## SHAFTER PLANNING COMMISSION

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 9, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., the Shafter Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing to consider the following:

**Draft Environmental Health and Justice Program (General Plan Amendment No. 21-36) pursuant to SB 1000:** The City of Shafter is proposing a draft Environmental Health and Justice Program (General Plan Amendment No. 21-36) to set forth goals, objectives, and policies related to maintaining a healthy community in compliance with the provisions of SB 1000. Such healthy community goals include avoiding or minimizing exposure to air pollution, the promotion of public facilities, promoting healthy food access, safe and sanitary homes, physical activity, and community engagement. Because poverty, unemployment, and linguistic isolation are among the defining characteristics of a disadvantaged community, the Shafter Environmental Health and Justice Program addresses measures to alleviate poverty, unemployment, and linguistic isolation within the community. As required by state law, the Shafter Environmental Health and Justice Program will become an integral part of the City of Shafter General Plan with the same force and effect as all other portions of the General Plan. Thus, zoning, subdivisions, public works, specific plans, and other approvals and actions that must be consistent with the General Plan must also be consistent with the Shafter Environmental Health and Justice Program. An Addendum to the Certified Final Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the City of Shafter 2005 General Plan Update and related actions, June 21, 2005 (State Clearinghouse [SCH] No. 2004101029) has been prepared for the project.

Said hearing is open to the public and all persons interested are invited to attend and be heard. Copies of the above documents are on file in the office of the Planning Department at City Hall, 336 Pacific Avenue, Shafter, California, and are available for public review. Any person wishing to be heard, or wishing to present evidence either for or against the approval of said project, is hereby notified and directed to either appear at the time and place aforesaid or send written comments to Wayne Clausen, Planning Director (661-746-5002) at City Hall, 336 Pacific Avenue, Shafter, California 93263 or by e-mail at [wclausen@shafter.com](mailto:wclausen@shafter.com). Anyone challenging the proposal listed in this notice in court may be limited to raising those issues addressed at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the City Clerk at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Consistent with Executive Order N-29-20, in person participation by the public will not be permitted and no physical location from which the public may observe the meeting will be available. You are strongly encouraged to observe the Planning Commission meetings live via YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/user/CityofShafter/>. If you wish to make a comment on a specific agenda item or public comment, please submit your comment via email by 5:00 P.M. on a Tuesday, March 9, 2021 to the City Clerk at [CityClerk@shafter.com](mailto:CityClerk@shafter.com). If you wish to submit written comments, mail to City Clerk, 336 Pacific Avenue, Shafter, CA 93263. If you wish to make a comment during the live meeting, callers must first register with the City Clerk at 661-746-5012 before the meeting begins to receive instructions and the call-in number and code. Please call by 5:00 pm on the Monday prior to the Planning Commission meeting to allow ample time for sign up. You will need to provide your name, phone number and the item number you wish to address. All public comments are provided to the Planning Commission and applicable Staff, for review and consideration by the Commission prior to taking action on any matters listed on the agenda and are incorporated into the official record of the Planning Commission meeting.

Dated: February 19, 2021 Yazmina Pallares City Clerk Publish *Shafter* Press February 25, 2021

County: Kern

Mailing address of business:

419 Santa Maria Way

Shafter, CA 93263

Brenda Rocio Silva-Ramos

419 Santa Maria Way

Shafter, CA 93263

State of Incorporation or Organization: CA

The business is conducted by: Individual

Date the business commenced: 12/14/2020

A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the

## PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION ON March 15, 2021 to

March 17, 2021 OF TAX DEFAULTED PROPERTY FOR DELINQUENT TAXES

On November 10, 2020, Kern County Treasurer-Tax Collector, Jordan Kaufman, was directed by Kern County Board of Supervisors' Resolution #2020-312 to conduct a public auction sale in accordance with the provisions of Division 1, Part 6, Chapter 7 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code. The tax-defaulted properties listed below are subject to the Treasurer-Tax Collector's power of sale.

This is a public notice that I will sell the properties beginning at 8:00 A.M. P.S.T. on March 15, 2021 at [www.kcttc.co.kern.ca.us](http://www.kcttc.co.kern.ca.us).

The sale will be conducted as a public auction to the highest bidder for cash in lawful money of the United States or negotiable paper, for not less than the minimum bid as shown in this notice. Bidders must submit a refundable deposit of \$5,000.00 electronically to [www.kcttc.co.kern.ca.us](http://www.kcttc.co.kern.ca.us) no later than 5:00 P.M. P.S.T. on Friday March 05, 2021. The deposit will be applied to the successful bidder's purchase price. Any parcel remaining unsold at the conclusion of the auction may be resold within a 90-day period. If necessary, the subsequent sale will begin at 8:00 A.M. P.S.T. on May 24, 2021 at [www.kcttc.co.kern.ca.us](http://www.kcttc.co.kern.ca.us).

Properties that are redeemed (paid) in full by 5:00 P.M. P.S.T., Friday March 12, 2021, will not be sold. The right of redemption will cease at that time. Properties not redeemed will be sold.

If the properties are sold, parties of interest (as defined in California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 4675) have a right to file a claim with the county for any excess proceeds from the sale. Excess proceeds are the amount of the highest bid in excess of the liens and costs of the sale that are paid from the sale price. Notice will be given to parties of interest, pursuant to law, if excess proceeds result from the sale.

The following is a partial list; a complete list may be obtained by calling our internet advertiser, Grant Street Group toll-free at 1-877-274-9320 or by viewing the list at [www.kcttc.co.kern.ca.us](http://www.kcttc.co.kern.ca.us). You may access public computers at all Kern County Libraries.

The Assessor's parcel number, when used to describe the property in this list, refers to the Assessor's map book, the map page, the block on the map (if applicable) and the individual parcel on the map page or in the block. The Assessor's maps and further explanation of the parcel numbering system are available in the Assessor's office.



## DEATH NOTICES

**Linda Kay Foster**, 76, of Shafter, passed away Feb. 9. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

**Gary Spear McDowell**, 80, of Bakersfield, passed away Feb. 9 in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

**James McNew**, 72, of Bakersfield, passed away Feb. 9 in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

**Joe Luis Hinojosa**, 70, of Wasco, passed away Feb. 13 in. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

**Michelle Hernandez Flores**, 25, of

Wasco, passed away Feb. 12 in Wasco. Peters Funeral Home, Wasco.

**Emilio Figueroa**, 84, of Bakersfield, passed away Feb. 15 in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Arvin.

**James Edward Snyder**, 65, of Shafter, passed away Feb. 17. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

**Roger Alfred Weaver**, 78, of Shafter, passed away Feb. 17. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

**Andres Cuevas Camarillo**, 66, of Los Angeles, passed away Feb. 18 in Delano.

Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

**Veronica Lorraine Zaccaria**, 75, of Bakersfield, passed away Feb. 15 in Bakersfield. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

**Felipe de Jesus Luna**, 60, of Lancaster, passed away Jan. 10 in Lancaster. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

**Shirley Ann Merchant**, 80, of Bakersfield, passed away Feb. 16 in Bakersfield. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

**Jose Luis Arce Rivera**, 61, of Ivanhoe, passed away Feb. 4 in Visalia. Basham &

Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

**Joseph Rodriguez Soto**, 88, of Shafter, passed away Feb. 18 in Shafter. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

**Graciela Carranza Mariscal**, 71, of Shafter, passed away Feb. 18 in Shafter. Basham & Lara Funeral Care, Shafter.

**Teresa Ruth Ybarra**, 47, of Shafter, passed away Feb. 21 in Duarte. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

**Elisa "Licha" Torres**, 76, of Wasco, passed away Feb. 20 in Bakersfield. Peters Funeral Home, Shafter.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Gutierrez House Cleaning 2021-B0493

18478 Poplar Ave  
Shafter, CA 93263  
County: Kern

Mailing address of business:  
18478 Poplar Ave  
Shafter, CA 93263  
Elida Romero De Gutierrez  
18478 Poplar Ave  
Shafter, CA 93263  
The business is conducted by: Individual

Date the business commenced: N/A  
A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
s/Elida Romero De Gutierrez  
Date Statement Filed: 02/02/2021  
Date Statement Expires: 02/02/2026  
Mary B. Bedard, CPA,

Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: s/N Franco  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Leticia's Hair & Nails 2021-B0696

219 Central Ave

Shafter, CA 93263

County: Kern

Mailing address of business:

219 Central Ave

Shafter, CA 93263

Leticia Salinas

212 Justin Ct

Shafter, CA 93263

The business is conducted by: Individual

Date the business commenced:

3-24-91

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mon law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
s/Leticia Salinas  
Date Statement Filed: 02/12/2021  
Date Statement Expires: 02/12/2026  
Mary B. Bedard, CPA,  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: s/M Hernandez  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF SHAFTER

**NOTICE OF ORDINANCE SUMMARY**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 16, 2021, the Shafter City Council adopted Ordinance No. 725. The following is the official summary of the adopted ordinance:  
Summary of Ordinance No. 725: An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Shafter Adopting the Addendum to the Negative Declaration Adopted For Tentative Tract No. 6713 And Adopting Development Agreement No. 19-17 As Set Forth In Exhibit "1" Of This Ordinance.  
A printed certified copy of Ordinance No. 725 is available for inspection by any person at the office of the

Shafter City Clerk, City Hall, 336 Pacific Avenue, Shafter, California. The ordinance was passed by the City Council on February 16, 2021, with the following vote:  
AYES: Alvarado, Espinoza, Givens, and Prout.  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Lopez  
ABSTAINING: None  
Dated: February 18, 2021  
Yazmina Pallares, City Clerk  
Publish *Shafter* Press February 25, 2021

### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement First Place Engraving 2021-B0314 Diana Marie Notary Services 2021-B0315

9404 Windcreek Court  
Bakersfield, CA 93312  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
9404 Windcreek Court  
Bakersfield, CA 93312  
Diana M Staib  
9404 Windcreek Court

Bakersfield, CA 93312  
The business is conducted by: Individual  
Date the business commenced: 1-1-2021  
A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
s/Diana M Staib  
Date Statement Filed: 01/25/2021  
Date Statement Expires: 01/25/2026  
Mary B. Bedard, CPA,  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: s/M Hernandez  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Business Name Statement Dollar Mart 2021-B0616

226 Central Ave #B  
Shafter, CA 93263

County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
226 Central Ave #B  
Shafter, CA 93263  
Motaher M Ahmed  
654 Vasquez Ave  
Shafter, CA 93263  
State of Incorporation or Organization: CA  
The business is conducted by: Individual  
Date the business commenced: N/A  
A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
s/Motaher M Ahmed  
Date Statement Filed: 2/9/2021  
Date Statement Expires: 2/9/2026  
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By: s/N Franco  
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**San Joaquin Valley**  
AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT  
AB 617 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & PROTECTION

## OBITUARIES

**Janice M. McCormick**  
May 10, 1947 - Feb. 12, 2021

Janice McCormick loved having her family around her. She loved her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She loved Jesus with all her heart and shared His love with everyone she came into contact with. She loved going on "girl" trips to the beach and mountains. She loved to shop -- she could outshop anyone half her age. It was her hobby and sport.

But most important was her love for God and the relationship she had with

Him. She was the family matriarch, spiritual advisor and best friend.

Janice was preceded in death by her parents, Martha and Newton Mc-

Whorter; siblings Darriel McWhorter and Ellen Sullivan; and great grandson Weston Kittle.

Janice is survived by her loving husband, Kenneth McCormick; her children, Tina Hill (Shayne), Kenny McCormick (Sherri) and Gayla Swope (Ken); 11 grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren; and countless nieces and nephews who called her "auntie."

Visitation is Tuesday, Feb. 16, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., with a funeral service starting at 12:30 p.m. at Westside Family Fellowship, Wasco

**Julia G. Escalante**  
Feb. 21, 2021

Julia G. Escalante, 92, of Shafter, died Feb. 21, in Bakersfield. Viewing will

be held at Peters Funeral Home on Tuesday, March 2, from 4 to 8 p.m. with Recitation of the Rosary beginning at 6 p.m. Graveside

service to be held Wednesday, March 3, beginning at 10 a.m. at Shafter Memorial Park.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION ON**  
**March 15, 2021 to March 17, 2021**  
**OF TAX DEFAULTED PROPERTY FOR**  
**DELINQUENT TAXES**

On November 10, 2020, Kern County Treasurer-Tax Collector, Jordan Kaufman, was directed by Kern County Board of Supervisors' Resolution #2020-312 to conduct a public auction sale in accordance with the provisions of Division 1, Part 6, Chapter 7 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code. The tax-defaulted properties listed below are subject to the Treasurer-Tax Collector's power of sale.

This is a public notice that I will sell the properties beginning at 8:00 A.M. P.S.T. on March 15, 2021 at [www.kcttc.co.kern.ca.us](http://www.kcttc.co.kern.ca.us).

The sale will be conducted as a public auction to the highest bidder for cash in lawful money of the United States or negotiable paper, for not less than the minimum bid as shown in this notice. Bidders must submit a refundable deposit of \$5,000.00 electronically to [www.kcttc.co.kern.ca.us](http://www.kcttc.co.kern.ca.us) no later than 5:00 P.M. P.S.T. on Friday March 05, 2021. The deposit will be applied to the successful bidder's purchase price. Any parcel remaining unsold at the conclusion of the auction may be resold within a 90-day period. If necessary, the subsequent sale will begin at 8:00 A.M. P.S.T. on May 24, 2021 at [www.kcttc.co.kern.ca.us](http://www.kcttc.co.kern.ca.us).

Properties that are redeemed (paid) in full by 5:00 P.M. P.S.T., Friday March 12, 2021, will not be sold. The right of redemption will cease at that time. Properties not redeemed will be sold. If the properties are sold, parties of interest (as defined in California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 4675) have a right to file a claim with the county for any excess proceeds from the sale. Excess proceeds are the amount of the highest bid in excess of the liens and costs of the sale that are paid from the sale price. Notice will be given to parties of interest, pursuant to law, if excess proceeds result from the sale.

The following is a partial list; a complete list may be obtained by calling our internet advertiser, Grant Street Group toll-free at 1-877-274-9320 or by viewing the list at [www.kcttc.co.kern.ca.us](http://www.kcttc.co.kern.ca.us). You may access public

computers at all Kern County Libraries.

The Assessor's parcel number, when used to describe the property in this list, refers to the Assessor's map book, the map page, the block on the map (if applicable) and the individual parcel on the map page or in the block. The Assessor's maps and further explanation of the parcel numbering system are available in the Assessor's office.

I declare under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct.

Jordan Kaufman  
Kern County Treasurer-Tax Collector  
Executed at Bakersfield, Kern County on February 05, 2021.

The properties that are the subject of this notice are situated in Kern County, California and are described as follows:

058-300-04-00-0 \$900.00  
MULLIKIN KEVIN  
487-115-08-00-0 \$1,400.00  
GARCIA ROBERT  
487-132-06-00-9 \$800.00  
PIERCE LINDA L  
058-321-09-01-7 \$1,700.00  
SIMMONDS ALYCE W  
487-122-17-00-8 \$800.00  
PIERCE LINDA L  
490-123-15-00-3 \$1,600.00  
CHILDRESS JIMMIE D & EVELYN S  
CENTRAL AV WASCO  
490-121-24-00-5 \$1,600.00  
CHILDRESS JIMMIE D & EVELYN S  
CENTRAL AV WASCO  
487-122-35-00-0 \$1,400.00  
SHIVOK MICHAEL P & PRISCILLA A  
WILDWOOD RD WASCO  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Fictitious Business**  
**Name Statement**  
**Garcia Towing and Transport**  
**2021-B0379**

620 Central Avenue Apt. A  
Wasco, CA 93280  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
620 Central Avenue Apt. A  
Wasco, CA 93280  
Luis Garcia  
620 Central Avenue Apt. A  
Wasco, CA 93280  
State of Incorporation or Organization: CA  
Ariana Arambula  
620 Central Avenue Apt. A

Wasco, CA 93280  
State of Incorporation or Organization: CA  
The business is conducted by: Married Couple  
Date the business commenced: NA  
A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
/s/Luis Garcia  
Date Statement Filed: 01/28/2021  
Date Statement Expires: 01/28/2026  
Mary B. Bedard, CPA,  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: /s/N Franco  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Fictitious Business**  
**Name Statement**  
**Fix It All**  
**2021-B0532**

411 Goldspire Ct  
Wasco, CA 93280  
County: Kern  
Mailing address of business:  
411 Goldspire Ct  
Wasco, CA 93280  
Oscar Gonzalez  
411 Goldspire Ct  
Wasco, CA 93280  
State of Incorporation or Organization: CA  
The business is conducted by: Individual  
Date the business commenced: N/A  
A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., business and professions code.)  
/s/Oscar Gonzalez  
Date Statement Filed: 02/04/2021  
Date Statement Expires: 02/4/2026  
Mary B. Bedard, CPA,  
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk  
By: /s/M Hernandez  
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**FACE COVERINGS ARE REQUIRED!**

## Bulky Waste Collection Event

**Saturday, March 6, 2021**  
**8:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

**Barker Park**  
**1280 Poplar Avenue**  
**Wasco, CA 93280**

**FREE!**

**Drive-in and drop off your unwanted household items:**

- Home appliances
- Mattresses
- Furniture
- Water Heaters
- TV's & E-Waste

**NOT Accepted:** Hazardous Waste • Household Trash • Tires  
Construction & Remodeling Waste • Green Waste

**Residential Waste Only - No Business Waste!**

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