

Santa Clarita Valley Ethics Alliance

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Dear supports of SCV ethics,

Thank you for your interest in promoting a code of ethics for the City of Santa Clarita. There is much to do if we want to prevail in this important endeavor. TimBen Boydston was the only councilmember who was willing to immediately put forward the idea of looking at a code of ethics for the City. All the others attempted to delay or derail the effort, one way or another.

As I see it, the only way to convince the council that this is an issue who's time has come is to rally community support and keep coming before the council to show them that it is the will of the people. Would you be willing to help?

Please print out the following page and get as many people as you can to fill out the form and get them back to me. We are certainly looking for support from high-profile individuals, regardless of political party, but we also need big numbers. The bottom part of the form will give us valuable information regarding specific support for various components of a city code of ethics.

When we get a significant number of folks signed up, we'll put their names on scvEthics.com, and tally the support for each component listed on the form. We will certainly continue to let the council know as our numbers grow.

We also are looking for more people who are willing to help the cause, so please go to the website and fill out a membership/interest form if you'd like to help.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss furthering this noble cause, please feel free to give me a call at my home/office, 661.297.1999.

Bruce McFarland, founding organizer

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YES! I support a **Code of Ethics** for the City of Santa Clarita.

NAME _____ DATE _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

PHONES, DAY _____ EVE _____ CELL _____

EMAIL _____

Please check all that you think should be included during the process of adopting and implementing a Santa Clarita Code of Ethics program:

- Adopt policies and practices that support fair, ethical, transparent, and accountable government.
- Delineate appropriate and inappropriate behavior.
- Program details should be available to employees and the public on the City's website.
- Set up an independent method for evaluating and responding to complaints from employees or the public.
- Create measures that encourage and support agreement and compliance with the code.
- Provide protection for City employee whistleblowers.
- Implement regular surveys and reviews to determine effectiveness of Ethics program.
- Program should apply to all City officials, elected and appointed.
- Program should apply to all City employees.
- Program should apply to all City volunteers.
- Program should apply to all consultants and contractors hired, or paid for by the City.
- Program should include registration and rules regarding lobbyists doing business with the City.
- Program should include limits regarding City employees becoming lobbyists in the City.
- Other _____
- I would like to be kept informed by email of SCV Ethics Alliance activities, news and issues.

You may use my name publicly supporting a Code of Ethics for the City of Santa Clarita

SIGNED _____ DATE _____

Please mail to: Bruce McFarland, 24307 Magic Mtn Pkwy #330, Santa Clarita CA 91355-3402
or fax to: 661.296.6677