

9:30 Pre-Conference Session: SBCTA 101 – An Introduction to San Bernardino County Transportation Authority and the Measure I Transactions and Use Tax for Transportation -
This will be a review of the role SBCTA plays, how Measure I (the ½ cent sales tax for transportation) works and the 10-year delivery plan for major transportation projects in San Bernardino County. This will be an opportunity to become more familiar with and ask questions about how SBCTA operates, how transportation dollars are allocated and to review the schedule of major transportation projects throughout the County.

11:00 Registration Opens

11:30 Conference Welcome and Lunch

12:00 Lunch Speaker – Todd Zimmerman, Principal in Charge, Zimmerman/Volk Associates on the “Changing Dynamics in Housing”

1:30 Session 1A: “Public Meetings: Business or Free for All?” – Not every public meeting runs smoothly. Sometimes public meetings can be stressful and emotionally charged with controversial topics. The role of elected officials is to maintain a civil environment to allow for meaningful debate and input while making sure that all rules and state laws are followed. This session will feature strategies for running effective meetings, dealing with disruptive individuals and best practices to help be more effective at the dais.

1:30 Session 1B: “Are You Preparing for the Housing of the Future – The Demand is Here Today” – The availability and affordability of quality new housing is a top concern as our population grows. Hear what industry leaders are envisioning for the future of housing that meets changing market demand and is transforming our communities.

2:30 Session 2A: “Smart Cities and Technology Tools” – As technology changes, counties and cities are facing challenges that necessitate looking for opportunities for innovation that can improve operations and service delivery. Learn how agencies are responding by improving efficiency, transparency, and responsiveness as well as enhancing public engagement.

2:30 Session 2B: “What Can We Do to Reduce Homelessness?” – Homelessness impacts every city and community in San Bernardino County and no government agency can adequately and appropriately respond on its own. Learn about model programs, partnerships and resources that can help your community reduce chronic homelessness.

3:30 Break – Drone Demonstration

- 4:00 **Session 3A:** “Is Anything Public Officials Write Private?” – In May 2017, the California Supreme Court ruled that writings of officials conducting the public’s business are presumed disclosable regardless of the technological platform used – private e-mail, texting, social media, etc. During this session, a panel of public records experts will share current and emerging trends in media requests and the things public officials should consider when communicating.
- 4:00 **Session 3B:** “The CalPERS System Dilemma – Problems & Solutions at the Macro Level” – Year after year cities, counties, school districts, and ultimately taxpayers are footing a much bigger CalPERS bill. Some experts project that public agencies will double their spending on pensions by 2030, hampering their efforts to fund public services. The time has come for agencies and labor groups to take a proactive approach to encourage CalPERS policy and/or State legislative changes. Join us for a lively discussion on options related to long-term pension reform.
- 5:00 **Networking Break**
- 6:00 **Dinner**
- 6:30 **Dinner Speaker – Scott Shafer, Senior Editor California Politics and Government Desk, KQED on the “Political Landscape in California and the Trends in Politics and Governance that can be Expected in 2018”**
- 7:30 **Networking Reception**

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7:30 **Breakfast**

8:00 **Local Government Update from the League of California Cities and California State Association of Counties:** This presentation by these two organizations will highlight the biggest local government issues being discussed in Sacramento as well as a look at the year ahead.

9:00 **Session 4A:** “Inland Empire Growth and Opportunity (IEGO)” – Learn about this effort by business, government, and academic leaders to develop a strategy for inclusive growth and opportunity. This session will examine the data collected by IEGO to define the strengths and vulnerabilities of our regional economy and suggest strategies that can be used to foster inclusive growth.

9:00 **Session 4B:** “Taking Back Our Communities Coalition and the Unintended Consequences of State Legislation on Public Safety” – Changes made to the criminal justice system through Prop. 47, Prop. 57, and AB 109 have had consequences for public safety in our communities. This session will review some of those consequences and discuss a statewide coalition that has formed to create a consistent message about these consequences and to advocate for State legislative changes to improve law enforcement’s ability to respond to crime.

10:00 **What’s Ahead for Our Economy – Robert Kleinhenz, Executive Director of Research, UC Riverside Center for Economic Forecasting and Development** – A look at local, regional, and national trends that are influencing the Inland Empire’s economy.

End of Day 2

The City-County Conference is a workshop for all elected officials and appointed leaders from local government across San Bernardino County that highlights issues that cross city limits, shares insight on ideas about best practices for addressing those issues, and showcases how to come together to find ways to cooperate and work together for the benefit of the region.