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### The Museum of Riverside Seeks to Form Advisory Team For Exhibition about Immigration

**Riverside, CA** – In anticipation of reopening the main downtown museum after the construction period that will begin this winter, the Museum of Riverside has begun planning the exhibitions that will inaugurate the new galleries. As we undergo our extensive transformation over the next couple of years, we're planning one of these exhibitions to center on how immigration has defined and shaped Riverside.

The Museum seeks to form a community advisory team comprised of thoughtful individuals with personal experience of immigration history and immigration issues in Riverside in order to bring broader perspectives to the planning process. The Museum invites interested individuals to contact Museum Director Robyn G. Peterson (<u>rpeterson@riversideca.gov</u>) with an expression of interest. Interviews will be held to select the five individuals who will comprise the team. Individuals with no previous relationship with the Museum, whether as staff or volunteers, are preferred. Members of the community advisory team will be modestly compensated for participating in what is expected to be a two-year planning process. This initiative is sponsored by the Riverside Museum Associates.

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ABOUT THE MUSEUM OF RIVERSIDE

The Museum of Riverside, a department of the city of Riverside, holds a large multi-disciplinary collection relevant to the history, culture, and natural science of the region. The Museum has a proud history of exhibitions, programs, and publications foregrounding local and regional achievement. Sites include the downtown Riverside main museum, Heritage House, Harada House, and the Harada House Interpretive Center (forthcoming). All sites except Heritage House are temporarily closed for renovation or rehabilitation. Heritage House is open Friday-Sunday for guided tours; pre-registration for tours is required via Eventbrite.

The mission of the Riverside Museum Associates is to help preserve Riverside's past and present for future generations by creating community interest in, use of, and support for the Museum of Riverside. The RMA promotes increased knowledge and understanding of the Museum's purposes, services and needs, and supports the activities and growth of the Museum through gifts, memorials and bequests, and through volunteering, fundraising, and support of special projects and programs, events, exhibits, and improvement projects



