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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

NOTICE

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE, RECOVERY & EMPOWERMENT ACT (CARE ACT)

On September 14, 2022, Governor Newsom signed [SB 1338](#) enacting the Community Assistance, Recovery & Empowerment Act (CARE Act). The CARE Act creates a new pathway to deliver mental health and substance use disorder services to the most severely impaired Californians who too often suffer in homelessness or incarceration without treatment. The CARE Act is being implemented statewide and will start with a phased-in approach. Riverside County is in the first group of counties to implement the CARE Act, along with the counties of Glenn, Orange, San Diego, Stanislaus, Tuolumne and San Francisco.

Effective October 2, 2023, the Riverside County Superior Court will begin accepting Petitions to Commence CARE Act Proceedings. To make it easier to participate in CARE Act proceedings, petitions may be filed at any of the Riverside County Court [locations](#). Petitions may also be electronically filed via the court's [eSubmit](#) system.

The Riverside County Superior Court will be offering [self-help services](#) to assist CARE Act petitioners, respondents and families as they navigate the CARE Act process, and will also help connect individuals to other available resources in Riverside County.

The CARE proceedings will be heard in Department 12 of the Riverside Historic Courthouse, located at 4050 Main Street, Riverside, California, with remote appearance available, Monday through Friday at 1:30 p.m. It should be noted that CARE proceedings are confidential and not open to the public.

Should you have any questions, please contact the court at (951) 777-3147 or email probatewebassistance@riverside.courts.ca.gov.

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