NOTICE OF CHANGES TO COMMUNITY EVENT AND TEMPORARY FOOD FACILITY FEES

On May 20, 2014, the Ventura County Board of Supervisors adopted rates and fees for the upcoming fiscal year that starts July 1, 2014. Based on this action, the following changes to the Environmental Health Division permit fees will be applied to all Community Event and Temporary Food Facility (TFF) applications submitted after July 1, 2014:

A. The full fee waiver for Community Event Organizers will continue to be provided after July 1, 2014 if all of the following criteria are met:
   1. A non-profit charitable organization is operating exclusively as a Community Event Organizer.
   2. At least one member of the non-profit organization maintains an active Temporary Food Facility/Community Event Certificate of Training issued by the Environmental Health Division; and this member is available at the event.
   3. The application for the Community Event is received by the Environmental Health Division at least 30 days prior to the operation of any food facility at the event that is the subject of the application.

B. The full fee waiver for the operation of a non-profit charitable Temporary Food Facility (TFF) will continue to be provided after July 1, 2014 if all of the following criteria are met:
   1. A member of the non-profit charitable organization is operating the TFF; this member maintains an active TFF/Community Event Certificate of Training issued by the Environmental Health Division; and this member is available at the event.
   2. A non-profit charitable TFF may operate up to four times annually. These four times shall not exceed 72 hours each.
   3. The application for the TFF must be included with the Community Event Organizer event application and submitted to the Environmental Health Division at least 30 days prior to the operation of the TFF at the Community Event.

C. The 50% fee reduction for a for-profit Community Event Organizer or TFF Operator will no longer be available.

D. The fee for each TFF-2 that only handles prepackaged, non-potentially hazardous foods will be $62 per event.

A non-profit charitable organization, as defined in the California Health and Safety Code Section 113841, means either of the following:

(a) A corporation incorporated pursuant to the Nonprofit Corporation Law (Division 2 (commencing with Section 5000) of Title 1 of the Corporation Code), that is exempt from taxation pursuant to paragraphs (1) to (10), inclusive, and paragraph (19) of Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code and Section 23701d of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

(b) An organization that was organized and is in operation for charitable purposes and meets the requirements of Section 214 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

Annually permitted Mobile Food Facilities and registered or permitted Cottage Food Operations do not require a Temporary Food Facility Permit to Operate at a Community Event.