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Contra Costa County Supervisors Discuss Workplace Safety

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Contra Costa County's Supervisors today began their Board meeting with a moment of silence to honor those who lost their lives in the tragedy in San Bernardino on December 2. Board of Supervisors Chair John Gioia shared information regarding the Relief Fund established on behalf of victims and their families. If you want to contribute, you'll find information on the Contra Costa County www.ContraCostaCA.gov.

Supervisor Gioia summed up the feelings of the Board, noting that the most of the victims were also county employees. "Contra Costa County sends our deepest sympathies to the victims and families affected by the mass shooting at the Inland Empire Regional Center," Gioia said.

"We feel a particular solidarity with our County colleagues in San Bernardino County, as that County's Environmental Health holiday party was the scene of the tragic crime. It's hard to find words to express our condolences. To all San Bernardino County employees, and everyone affected or touched by this horrific event— our thoughts and prayers are with you."

With the shooting in San Bernardino prompting questions about the safety of public agency facilities, the Board of Supervisors heard from key department leaders about plans and protocols in place to help prevent workplace violence. They also discussed available training to help county staff ensure the best possible safety practices.

The Board of Supervisors adjourned in memory of the victims of the San Bernardino shootings. County flags remain at half-staff in their honor.

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