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Jeff Brilltz  
City Manager  
119 Fox Street  
Lemoore, CA 93245

Dear City Manager Jeff Brilltz,

You are cordially invited to attend a series of dinner meetings for San Joaquin elected officials, city managers and county administrative officers hosted by the Local Government Commission (LGC). The forums will discuss opportunities and challenges related to creating an environment in San Joaquin Valley communities that improves the health, security and quality of life for children and families. The first dinner will be held on **Thursday, April 24, 2008 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. at The Vintage Press in Visalia.**

The dinner meetings will highlight information on creating healthy communities and provide opportunities for follow up discussion with your peers. The first meeting will feature Paul Zykofsky, Director of Transportation and Land Use for LGC and Alex Kelter, MD, former Chief of Epidemiology & Prevention of Injury Control for the California Department of Health Services, who will talk about the latest research, best practices and resources to support your work to create healthier communities. Central California Regional Obesity Prevention Program Coordinator Genoveva Islas-Hooker will provide a local perspective. City of Visalia Council Member Greg Collins will serve as host at the first dinner.

A total of 9 dinner meetings will be held monthly on Thursdays and are sponsored by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Leadership for Healthy Communities initiative. Thanks to their generous support, there is no charge for the forums, which will include dinner. Participation is limited to a first-come, first-serve basis, so please **RSVP for this complimentary dinner event by contacting Nancy Mathison at 916-448-1198, x330 or [nmathison@lgc.org](mailto:nmathison@lgc.org)**. Please RSVP by April 16 and indicate if you need a vegetarian meal. You will receive a confirmation message with additional details.

We hope to see you on April 24.

Sincerely,

Mayor Jesús Gamboa  
City of Visalia