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Benoit, YMCA gathering cell phones for seniors

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Riverside County Supervisor John Benoit and the local YMCA offices are collecting cell phones for seniors.

The donation drive is part of the Riverside County Office on Aging's 9-1-1 Emergency Cell Phone Program.

They will be delivered to senior residents who live alone or with caregivers and have difficulty reaching a stationary phone.

Donations will be accepted through March 1 and should include the manufacturer's battery and a charger.

Donations can be dropped off at Benoit's Palm Desert office, 73-710 Fred Waring Drive Suite 222, or at his Mecca office, 91-261 Avenue 66 Suite 114

Donations are also accepted at the YMCA's offices: 43-930 San Pablo Avenue in Palm Desert, 3601 E. Mesquite Avenue in Palm Springs or 71-251 Mirage Road in Rancho Mirage.