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What local community members are saying about Wal-Mart...

"Wal-Mart has provided a tremendous boost to our economy. Wal-Mart has provided needed jobs and has boosted local sales tax revenues. As I see it with the economy the way it is, Wal-Mart is starting to get the attention it deserves for its business plan."

City Councilmember Terry B. Henderson, City of La Quinta

"Wal-Mart is a positive presence in our community. Wal-Mart is a good corporate citizen, provides jobs and stable revenues for the city. Also, new businesses have succeeded since Wal-Mart opened."

Councilmember Luis J. Castro, City of Calexico

"We are glad to have Wal-Mart in our city. Wal-Mart's presence has stimulated other retailers to locate to Palmdale expanding our potential for increased revenues."

City Manager, Steve Williams, City of Palmdale

"The Sanger Wal-Mart has been a great community partner for the City of Sanger. Not only do they provide needed opportunity for the citizens of the area to buy goods and services, they have become involved with the community and the Sanger Chamber of Commerce as a community support partner. They have provided support for other Sanger business to encourage residents to shop in their home town. They are a great addition to Sanger."

Supervisor Judy Case, Fresno County

"Wal-Mart's presence in Brawley is already attracting additional development and sparking investment in our community. We anticipate the addition of Wal-Mart to our retail mix will jumpstart sales tax revenues in the city of Brawley."

Mayor John Benson, City of Brawley

Wal-Mart Press Release, 10.13.08

"The 300-plus jobs offered by the store will be an immediate boost to our economy, and the sales tax revenue it generates will help fund a variety of city services."

Joy Madison, Modesto Chamber of Commerce President

Modesto Bee, 11.7.08

In a recent story in the *San Francisco Chronicle*, American Canyon City Manager Richard Ramirez stated that his city has so far avoided the catastrophic (budget) cuts made by its neighbors due in part to the opening of a new Wal-Mart Supercenter. "A new Super Wal-Mart and a boom in wine storage warehouses have so far delivered American Canyon from the economic abyss, said City Manager Richard Ramirez. 'We're very blessed..., ' he said."

Richard Ramirez, American Canyon City Manager

San Francisco Chronicle, 11.19.08

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