

EDITORIAL: Thumbs up, thumbs down

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Thumbs down to **Covered California**. The state's enrollment vehicle for Obamacare has been plagued by low enrollment of Latinos, website outages, long wait times on the phone for consumers, faulty notices sent to applicants and an error-filled physicians' directory. In fact, the directory was so inaccurate that Covered California pulled it this month. However, we are willing to help more Californians get health insurance. The deadline to enroll is March 15 for coverage starting on April 1.

Go to www.coveredca.com

Thumbs up to **Focus Forward** and **Susan Anderson, Keri Bennett, Kathy Eide Casas, Catherine Curry** and **Joachim Schirmacher**, for their second edition of "U Turns Allowed" magazine, benefiting youth at the Fresno County Juvenile Justice Campus. This edition featured success stories of former foster youth and other adults who have made complete U turns for the better. Impressive stories all around. Thumbs up, too, to **Nancy Pressley**, who is retiring as Focus Forward's CEO.

Thumbs up to **Fresno City Council Member Lee Brand** for his Asset Management Act proposal. Brand wants to save money and add revenue by selling unused property and possibly moving employees in other locations into empty offices at City Hall. But first city officials have to get a handle on what it owns, what it leases and how heavily city assets are mortgaged. Brand's act would do all of that. It also calls for the city to hire a private real estate management firm to get things in order and keep things running smoothly.

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