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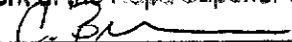
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By: 
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August 7, 2012

The Honorable Diane Price
Presiding Judge
Superior Court of California, County of Napa
825 Brown Street
Napa, CA 94559

Dear Judge Price:

As required by Penal Code Section 933(c), enclosed is the response to the 2011-2012 Final Reports on the Napa County Jail, Napa County Juvenile Hall and California Public Safety Realignment Act.

The Board acknowledges the members of the 2011-2012 Grand Jury for the time they have devoted in preparing their report.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Keith Caldwell in black ink.

Keith Caldwell, Chairman
Napa County Board of Supervisors

Enclosure

cc: Foreman, 2012-2013 Grand Jury
The Honorable Mark Boessenecker

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NAPA COUNTY
RESPONSE TO THE GRAND JURY FINAL REPORT ON
NAPA COUNTY JAIL, NAPA COUNTY JUVENILE HALL, and the CALIFORNIA
PUBLIC SAFETY REALIGNMENT ACT
FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012

Recommendation 1: County Criminal Justice Community report each year to the citizens on how the alternative programs are working, including current information on average jail population, alternative program statistics, and recidivism rate along with the annual crime rate report.

Response, Napa County Probation Department: This recommendation will be implemented. The County agrees that a Community Report each year to the citizens would be a beneficial exercise and will report on the performance of alternative programs on at least an annual basis.

Response, Napa County Department of Corrections: This recommendation will be implemented. The Director of Corrections concurs with the response and explanation of the Napa County Probation Department.

Recommendation 2: County Administration continue to reach out at public forums, and solicit community input regarding jail design and location, while looking at jail expansion alternatives.

Response, Napa County Executive Officer: The County Executive Officer will implement this recommendation. The County remains committed to including the public in the decision-making process for jail expansion alternatives.

Response, Napa County Board of Supervisors: This recommendation will be implemented. The Board of Supervisors concurs with the response and explanation of the County Executive Officer.

Recommendation 3: The County prepare to assume greater financial responsibility for Realignment, in the event State funding is not forthcoming.

Response, Napa County Executive Officer: The recommendation has been implemented. The County, through the work of the Community Corrections Partnership, has been conservative in developing targeted programming opportunities with a high cost-benefit ratio to ensure the allocation from the State for Realignment is adequate to maintain public safety in Napa County. The County's Strategic Financial Plan, approved by the Board of Supervisors on February 7, 2012, provides, among other things, that a priority for use of available General Fund resources is to provide funding, above the Realignment revenue provided by the State, that may be needed to implement the 2011 Public Safety Realignment.

Response, Napa County Board of Supervisors: This recommendation has been implemented. The Board of Supervisors concurs with the response and explanation of the County Executive Officer.

Recommendation 4: The County study alternative funding strategies, in the event State funding is not forthcoming.

Response, Napa County Executive Officer: The recommendation will not be implemented because it is not reasonable. The County's Criminal Justice agencies actively pursue State and Federal grant opportunities when appropriate and will continue to do so in light of the changes the Public Safety Realignment Act is having on Napa County. Additionally, as indicated with regard to Recommendation No. 3 above, dealing with the impact of Realignment has been identified in the County's Strategic Financial Plan as a priority for use of additional General Fund resources that may be available. However, given the County's other needs, it is not reasonable to expect the County to backfill a significant reduction in Realignment funding with local dollars.

Response, Napa County Board of Supervisors: This recommendation will not be implemented. The Board of Supervisors concurs with the response and explanation of the County Executive Officer.