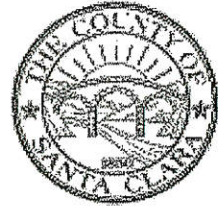


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Lynn Regadanz
Clerk of the Board

September 15, 2014

The Honorable Brian C. Walsh
Presiding Judge
Santa Clara County Superior Court
191 North First Street
San Jose, CA 95113

RE: Grand Jury Report: Victim Restitution - Promises Unfulfilled

Dear Judge Walsh:

At the September 9, 2014 meeting of the County of Santa Clara Board of Supervisors (Item No. 15), the Board adopted the response from the County Administration to the Final Grand Jury Report and recommendations relating to Victim Restitution - Promises Unfulfilled.

As directed by the Board of Supervisors and on behalf of the Board President, our office is forwarding to you the enclosed certified copy of the response to the Final Grand Jury Report. This response constitutes the response of the Board of Supervisors, consistent with provisions of California Penal Section 933(c).

If there are any questions concerning this issue, please contact our office at 299-5001 or by email at michele.holscher@cob.sccgov.org.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Michele Holscher".

Michele Holscher
Deputy Clerk, Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Clara

Enclosures

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DAVID H. YAMASAKI
Chief Executive Officer/Clerk
Superior Court of CA County of Santa Clara
BY BRITNEY HUELBIG DEPUTY



73355

DATE: September 9, 2014
TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Gary A. Graves, Chief Operating Officer
SUBJECT: Grand Jury Report : Victim Restitution - Promises Unfulfilled

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Consider recommendations relating to Final Grand Jury Report relating to Victim Restitution-Promises Unfulfilled. (Office of the County Executive)

Possible action:

- a. Adopt response from Administration to Final Grand Jury Report relating to Victim Restitution - Promises Unfulfilled.

AND

- b. Authorize the Board President and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to forward department response to Grand Jury report to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court with approval that responses constitute the response of the Board of Supervisors, consistent with provisions of California Penal Code Section 933 (c).

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no fiscal implications associated with these Board actions.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

Attached is the District Attorney, Department of Revenue, Probation Department, and Department of Correction responses to the Grand Jury's findings and recommendations enumerated in the Final Report, Victim Restitution –Promises Unfulfilled. The responses have been completed pursuant to California Penal Code, Section 933 (c) and 933.05 (a).

CHILD IMPACT

The recommended action will have no/neutral impact on children and youth.

SENIOR IMPACT

The recommended action will have no/neutral impact on seniors.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

The recommended action will have no/neutral sustainability implications.

BACKGROUND

The Santa Clara County Civil Grand Jury (Grand Jury) received a citizen complaint regarding victim restitution. After the Grand Jury investigated the system, interviewed victims and, all responsible County Departments/Agencies responsible for determining and collecting victim restitution, the Grand Jury final report attached identified 10 specific findings and 11 specific recommendations for improvement to the Office of the District Attorney, Probation Department, Department of Revenue, and Department of Correction. Attached are the responses to the findings and recommendations to the Civil Grand Jury Final Report.

CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

The County would not be in compliance with the law in responding to the Grand Jury's Final Report.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

Following approval of the response provided, forward all comments of the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors to the Honorable Brian C. Walsh, Presiding Judge, of Santa Clara County Superior Court on or before Thursday, September 18, 2014.

LINKS:

- Linked To: 73362 : 73362

ATTACHMENTS:

- Victim Restitution Promises Unfulfilled Final Report (PDF)
- District Attorney Response (PDF)
- Probation Response (PDF)
- Department of Revenue Response (PDF)
- Department of Correction Response (PDF)