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Court to Reallocate the Availability of Traffic Clerk Windows

SAN JOSÉ, Calif. (February 3, 2023): Beginning February 6, 2023, the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara's Traffic Clerk Offices will be reassigned to the South County Courthouse (301 Diana Drive, Morgan Hill, CA 95037) and the Family Justice Center Courthouse (201 N. First Street, San José, CA 95113). Traffic Court handles cases that usually begin when a citation or ticket is written by a law enforcement officer. Tickets can be issued for violations of traffic laws and other non-traffic offenses.

"The Court is confident that by moving traffic court calendars to the South County Courthouse from the Hall of Justice and by ensuring a staff comprised of employees with bilingual skillsets, residents will attest to an improved user experience," stated Hon. Beth McGowen, Presiding Judge. "Much thought and consideration was taken into account for the Traffic Division's primary location, which is adjacent to a transit hub, inclusive of CalTrain and Valley Transit Authority services, along with convenient and free parking."

Beginning February 6, traffic public service will open at these two locations. Beginning February 14, traffic hearings will no longer be held at the Hall of Justice, they will exclusively take place at the South County Courthouse and the Family Justice Center Courthouse. Law Enforcement Agencies within Santa Clara County will distribute notices with updated court addresses beginning February 6.

"The Family Justice Center Courthouse is located in the heart of Downtown San Jose, which means parking can be difficult. The Court highly encourages the use of the <u>Valley Transportation Authority's Light Rail and Bus Routes</u>, as well as public parking lots in the area," suggests Alicia Vojnik, the Santa Clara Court's Chief Officer of Operations. "We sincerely encourage court visitors to explore their travel options beforehand so that parking encumbrances are not incurred while attempting to solve a traffic related matter."

Many Traffic matters can be resolved online without speaking to a clerk on the phone or coming to a courthouse. Online services relating to Traffic matters such as paying a fine, filing an Ability to Pay Petition, establish a payment plan or request an extension can be done online. For more information, visit: https://www.scscourt.org/court_divisions/traffic/traffic_home.shtml

Guests can show proof of correction, request traffic school, set up payments, pay in full, check-in for arraignment or obtain general information regarding your traffic matter. Excluding court holidays, the Traffic Public Counter hours of operation will be from:

South County Courthouse - 8:30 am - 3:00 pm Mon. - Th. 8:30 am - 12:00 pm Fri. Family Justice Center - 8:30 am - 3:00 pm Mon. - Th. 8:30 am - 12:00 pm Fri.

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