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Ventura County Grand Jury Posts Responses to 2014-2015 Reports

The Ventura County Grand Jury has finalized its 2014-2015 year by posting responses received to the twelve reports it issued during the year. The Grand Jury is mandated by the California State Constitution and various laws to serve as a voice of the people and a conscience of the community – a “government watchdog.”

The Consolidated Final Report included the following individual reports: Elections and Polling Place Observations, Ventura County Green Procurement Policy, City of Oxnard and Its Adjoining Agricultural and Business Water Resources, Port Hueneme Police Department Public Records Request Process, County Responsibility for Sidewalks, Countywide Bicycle Safety, Detention Facilities and Related Law Enforcement Issues, Panhandling and Charity Soliciting in the City of Thousand Oaks, County Project Management – A Case Study, Foster Care and Adoption Process in Ventura County, Ventura County Electronic Health Record Implementation Risks, and Ventura County Hiring Processes.

The reports resulted primarily from complaints submitted by residents of the County. Each report contains recommendations for improvements in government operations. Certain government officials are required to respond to the recommendations and others are requested to respond. The above reports with their responses, as well as those of prior years, may be accessed on the Grand Jury website: <http://www.ventura.org/grand-jury>.

In addition, members of the Grand Jury Speakers Bureau are available to give talks/presentations to interested groups in the community. Foreperson, Janice Feingold, may be contacted at (805) 477-1600.

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