

**2001-02 GRAND JURY FINAL REPORT**  
**Lack of Facilities and Programs for Juvenile 601 Offenders in**  
**Ventura County**

**Respondent: Board of Supervisors**

**Recommendation R-5:** Institute a protocol program like VIDA countywide so all at-risk youth have the same type of program available.

**Response:** The Board agrees that this recommendation might have merit; however, due to funding constraints, it does not appear fiscally feasible at this time to implement a countywide program like VIDA, which would increase net cost, without corresponding net cost reductions in existing County programs. It should be noted that the Board has approved funding for a variety of programs to address a whole range of needs within the juvenile justice system, and other youth services areas.