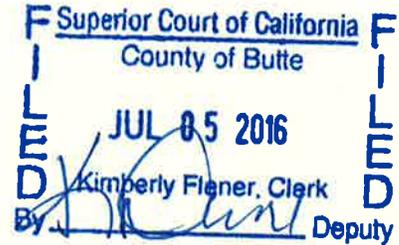




June 29, 2016



Honorable Robert A. Glusman, Presiding Judge
c/o Court Administration
Superior Court of California, County of Butte
One Court Street
Oroville CA 95965

RE: RESPONSE TO 2015-2016 GRAND JURY REPORT

Dear Judge Glusman:

I am in receipt of the portions of the 2015-2016 Grand Jury report requesting a response from the Butte County Sheriff's Office. I would like to thank the members of the Grand Jury for their dedicated service to the citizens of Butte County. I had the pleasure of meeting with members of the Grand Jury on two occasions. I was impressed with their desire to gain meaningful insight into the operation and management of the Butte County Jail and the issue of homelessness in Butte County. In accordance with Penal Code Sections 933 and 933.05, please accept this response to the findings and recommendations of those portions of the 2015-2016 Grand Jury report requesting a response from my office.

DUTY TO INQUIRE INTO THE CONDITION & MANAGEMENT OF THE JAIL

As you know, pursuant to California Penal Code Section 919(b), the Grand Jury has a duty to inquire into the conditions and management of the Butte County Jail. As noted in their report, the 2015-2016 Grand Jury toured the Butte County Jail and met with me and my staff. They asked numerous questions about jail operations, current conditions and our plans to address future challenges brought about by the changing landscape of the criminal justice system.

FINDINGS & RECOMMENDATIONS PERTAINING HOMELESSNESS

In the portion of their report pertaining to the issue of homelessness, the 2015-2016 Grand Jury requested a response from the Sheriff's Office to R3.

Grand Jury Recommendations:

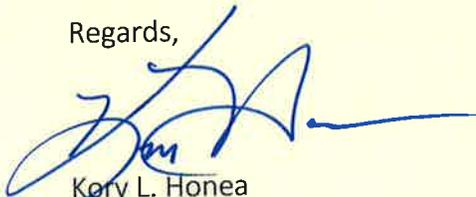
- R3 Local law enforcement agencies should explore more accurate ways to track dispatch calls involving homeless people, so the economic impact of the law enforcement effort can be determined.

This recommendation has been implemented. With our current records management system (RMS) and computer aided dispatch system (CAD) we are limited when it comes to tracking multiple data sets pertaining to the final disposition of a particular call. That has forced use to rely upon the key word search function of the program looking for information within the synopsis of a call which would indicate the call involved homeless people. In many cases, the fact that a person is homeless is not a relevant factor in the disposition of the call, so the synopsis may not contain any key words associated with an involved party being homeless.

We are currently in the process of searching for new RMS and CAD systems, with increased functionality across the board. As we move forward with that selection process, we will explore system capabilities to see if tracking data pertaining to the economic impact of homelessness on law enforcement services can be calculated with a greater degree of certainty.

This concludes my response to the 2015-2016 Grand Jury report. Once again, I appreciate efforts of the Grand Jury, and remain convinced that this type of citizen participation in the operations of government is crucial to our successful operation.

Regards,



Kory L. Honea
Sheriff-Coroner

cc: Board of Supervisors
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