



Contra  
Costa  
County

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: David Twa, County Administrator  
Date: August 16, 2016

Subject: RESPONSE TO CIVIL GRAND JURY REPORT NO. 1609, "Human Trafficking"

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**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

1. APPROVE response to Civil Grand Jury Report No. 1609, entitled "Human Trafficking", and
2. DIRECT the Clerk of the Board to forward the response to the Superior Court immediately following Board action.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

No fiscal impact. This is an informational report.

**BACKGROUND:**

On June 14, 2016 the 2015/16 Civil Grand Jury filed the above-referenced report regarding human trafficking in Contra Costa County.

The Report was referred to the County Administrator by the Board of Supervisors on July 12th for response. The County Administrator has prepared a response for consideration by the Board of Supervisors, which clearly specifies:

- Whether a finding or recommendation is accepted or will be implemented;

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APPROVE
  OTHER  
 RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR
  RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

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Action of Board On: 08/16/2016  APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED  OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

- AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor  
 Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor  
 Mary N. Piepho, District III Supervisor  
 Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor  
 Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: August 16, 2016

David J. Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: Stephannie Mello, Deputy

Contact: Timothy Ewell, (925)  
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cc:

**BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)**

If a recommendation is accepted, a statement as to who will be responsible for implementation and by what definite target date;

- A delineation of the constraints if a recommendation is accepted but cannot be implemented within a six-month period; and
- The reason for not accepting or adopting a finding or recommendation.

**CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**

In order to comply with statutory requirements, the Board of Supervisors must provide a response to the Superior Court within ninety days of submission of the report.

**CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:**

No impact.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Grand Jury Report No. 1609

Response to Grand Jury Report No. 1609



**CONTRA COSTA COUNTY CIVIL GRAND JURY REPORT NO. 1609  
"HUMAN TRAFFICKING"**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' RESPONSE**

**FINDINGS** – *California Penal Code Section 933.5(a) requires a response to the designated findings of the Grand Jury.*

**11. Public awareness is a critical factor in identifying potential human trafficking activity.**

*Response: Agree.*

**12. The County's efforts to build a broad public awareness of human trafficking has primarily been a poster campaign beginning in 2015.**

*Response: Agree.*

**13. The Zero Tolerance for Human Trafficking Coalition is developing operating guidelines for case review and coordination to be completed in December 2016.**

*Response: Agree.*

**14. A comprehensive approach to dealing with human trafficking includes robust community engagement; training law enforcement in responding to human trafficking incidents; vigorous prosecution of perpetrators; education of an advocacy to policy makers; and wrap-around services for victims/survivors.**

*Response: Agree.*

**RECOMMENDATIONS** - *California Penal Code Section 933.05(b) requires a response to the designated recommendations of the Grand Jury.*

**4. The County Board of Supervisors should consider identifying funds to assign the Zero Tolerance Coalition to take a leadership role in developing report formats, collecting and reporting on comprehensive data about adult and child trafficking in Contra Costa County.**

*Response:* The recommendation has been implemented. The Coalition will continue to improve its efforts in collecting and reporting on comprehensive data by seeking additional funding through grants and other resources as well as identify opportunities to leverage existing approaches among agencies responding to human trafficking.

**5. The County Board of Supervisors should consider directing the Zero Tolerance Coalition to develop a multi-disciplinary approach in dealing with human trafficking, after identifying funds to do so.**

*Response:* The recommendation has been implemented. The Zero Tolerance Coalition is implementing a multi-disciplinary approach in dealing with human trafficking and will continue to seek additional funding through grants and other sources to strengthen this existing approach.

**6. The County Board of Supervisors should consider directing the Zero Tolerance Coalition to develop and implement a systematic plan for building community awareness of human trafficking, after identifying funds to do so.**

*Response:* The recommendation has been implemented. The Zero Tolerance for Human Trafficking Coalition will continue to implement existing community awareness strategies and seek additional funds including grants to expand these efforts.