



CONTRA COSTA COUNTY CIVIL GRAND JURY REPORT NO. 1809

"Community Reentry from Jail"

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

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

- R7. The BOS should consider seeking funds, in time for the FY2019-2020 budget cycle, for additional social service workers in the Office of the Public Defender in support of reentry planning and implementation.**

Response: **This recommendation requires further analysis.** When directing County resources, the Board must consider, on a case-by-case basis in the context of all related factors, which needs will receive priority during the budget development process. The County Department of Employment and Human Services employs Social Workers that are available to assist in issues that might arise in the Public Defender's Office.

- R8. The BOS should consider seeking funds, in time for the FY2019-2020 budget cycle, for resources in the Office of the Public Defender to address the backlog of roughly 10,000 reclassification cases seeking to petition the court to clear their criminal record.**

Response: **This recommendation requires further analysis.** When directing County resources, the Board must consider, on a case-by-case basis in the context of all related factors, which needs will receive priority. The County budget process begins in January and concludes in May of each year. As part of that process, the Board must consider funding needs from across the County during the budget process. For this reason, we cannot formally commit to funding expenditure appropriations.