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August 22, 2013

Lake County Grand Jury
5250 Second Street
Kelseyville, CA 95451

Members of Grand Jury:

The city of Clearlake is pleased to respond to the 2012-2013 Final Report issued by your body on June 30, 2013. City staff has reviewed the comments specific to the city and submitted the report and response to the city council at its August 22, 2013 regular meeting.

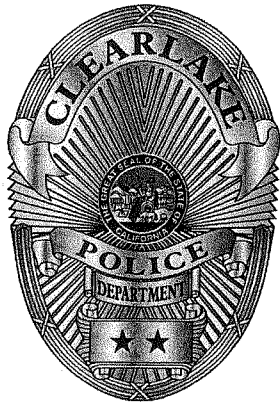
The city concurs with the findings and recommendations set forth in the report. We continue to work diligently toward establishing fiscal health for the city and to implement the goals that will enable achievement.

We look forward to the opportunity to meet with the 2012-2013 Grand Jury and share the progress that has been and will continue to be made to assure our success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joan L. Phillippe".

Joan L. Phillippe
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Grand Jury Response
July 31, 2013

1. The Grand Jury recommends for the Clearlake Police Department to “apply for any and all grants to assist in financing additional officers and/or equipment”.

We agree with the grand jury in the intention of obtaining any financial assistance we can. The Clearlake Police Department actively pursues any and all grants and other sources of financial assist we can. It is becoming increasingly difficult to secure grants as the entire nation is experiencing similar financial constraints as we are. Currently the Clearlake Police Department has special funding for PRCS (Post Release Community Supervision) enforcement actives. This funding was been provided by the state to local municipal agencies to assist in the enforcement and supervision of persons on PRCS. We also have been successful in receiving two grants from the ABC (Alcohol Beverage Control). These funds allow concentrated enforcement and education regarding alcohol related incidents. Lastly we are still in the application process for the Federal COPS grants. Our application has been submitted and accepted and we are still in the selection process. Additionally, during the 2012/2013 fiscal year we had a contract with Konocti Unified School District for a School Recourse Office and are currently in negotiations for same or similar services.

2. The Grand Jury recommends “The City of Clearlake authorize additional police officer positions due to the increase of population and crime rate within the city.”

The Clearlake Police Department agrees with the Grand Jury but also understands the financial constraints on the City of Clearlake to fund additional police officer positions.

3. The Grand Jury recommends the Clearlake Police Department “informs the community as to their representative patrol officers are.”

The Clearlake Police Department agrees with the Grand Jury. We currently have a Face Book page and this information is contained on this website. The City has also obtained and is under contract with a web designer. This and other information will be provided on the website once it is operational.