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The Honorable Francisca P. Tisher
The Honorable Raymond A. Guadagni
Presiding Judges
Superior Court of the State of California
County of Napa
825 Brown Street
Napa, CA 94559

Dear Judges Tisher and Guadagni,

The City of Calistoga appreciates the work of the Grand Jury and the time and effort that went into the making of this report. We herein submit our response as requested to Grand Jury Report Alcohol and Drug Prevention and Treatment Programs for Napa County Youth.

Recommendation 1:

The County of Napa, through NCHHS, NCOE, NVUSD and other agencies and programs involved in developing the strategic plans commit to cooperate in fully implementing these plans.

The Calistoga Police Department has participated in and is committed to working with other agencies to implement the strategic plan for prevention and treatment programs for Napa County's youth. As a law enforcement agency the Calistoga Police Department has conducted enforcement activities aimed at reducing youth's access to alcohol. The department has supplemented these activities with in school presentations and public meetings aimed at teaching prevention and raising awareness of drug and alcohol prevention programs. The Department has been achieving this through participating in the Catalyst Coalition and the Rural Enforcement of Underage Drinking Laws (REUDL) grant.

Recommendation 2:

Local governmental agencies and other relevant districts commit to assure sufficient funding is available to fully implement the strategic plans for prevention and treatment.

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The police department has dedicated funds to operate an in house diversion program and contracts with the Boys and Girls Club of Saint Helena and Calistoga to provide a juvenile diversion officer to head the program. This arrangement has been in place for approximately ten years. This officer now works with the student assistance program at the local schools to help identify kids at risk.

Recommendation 3:

All publicly funded youth AOD prevention and treatment expenditures be separately itemized in each local government's budget by each category, youth AOD prevention and youth AOD treatment, so it is clear how much is being spent by each agency for each category.

The funding for the diversion program and the REUDL grant are itemized in the department's budget.

Sincerely,



Jonathan Mills
Chief of Police