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Honorable Xapuri B. Villapudua, Presiding Judge
San Joaquin County Superior Court
180 E. Weber Avenue, Suite 1306J
Stockton, CA 95202

CITY OF STOCKTON RESPONSE TO SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY GRAND JURY 2019-2020 CASE NO.0119 HOMELESSNESS IN SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY, BUILDING A FOUNDATION: COLLABORATION AND COMMUNICATION

The City of Stockton received the Grand Jury Report on August 20, 2020, regarding findings and recommendations related to Homelessness in San Joaquin County. In general, the City agrees with the findings and is providing additional information in the below responses to the findings and recommendations.

In accordance with Sections 933 and 933.05 of the California Penal Code, the City Council of the City of Stockton offers the following responses to the Grand Jury Report on the above-referenced case. As referenced under *Response Requirements*, the Stockton City Council is responding to the Findings and Recommendations F3.1, F3.5, F3.6, R3.1, R3.2, and R3.3.

Findings:

F3.1 *Although many residents are interested in how homelessness is being managed, only the City of Lodi has published accomplishments in plain language on its website. This lack of readily available information makes it difficult for residents to understand what is being done to address homelessness.*

RESPONSE:

The City agrees with this finding.

F3.5 *The leadership shown recently by the City of Stockton in working with San Joaquin County toward a shared goal of obtaining funds will streamline processes and result in improved efficiency.*

RESPONSE:

The City agrees with this finding.

F3.6 *Stockton's leadership efforts in securing a regional strategic plan speaks to the current spirit of collaboration and communication between Stockton, San Joaquin County, and the San Joaquin Continuum of Care.*

RESPONSE:

The City agrees with this finding.

Recommendations:

R3.1 *By December 30, 2020, the Cities of Stockton, Tracy, Manteca, Lathrop, Ripon, and Escalon post plain language information on their website that outlines the actions each city has taken to address homelessness.*

RESPONSE:

The City will post in plain language, information that outlines our programs and actions taken to address homelessness no later than December 30, 2020.

R3.2 *By December 30, 2020 the Cities of Tracy, Manteca, Lathrop, Ripon and Escalon adopt the San Joaquin Continuum of Care as the primary organization through which the County and cities work together to develop solutions to homelessness.*

RESPONSE:

The City will continue to participate and support the San Joaquin Continuum of Care as the primary organization through which the County and cities work together to develop solutions to homelessness.

R3.3 *By December 30, 2020 the Cities of Tracy, Manteca, Lathrop, Ripon and Escalon in open forum officially acknowledge and support the Program Administrator for Homeless Initiatives position as the homeless coordinator for San Joaquin County.*

RESPONSE:

The City will continue to participate and support the Program Administrator as the homeless coordinator for San Joaquin County.

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