

POLICE DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS

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CITY OF STOCKTON RESPONSE TO 2023-24 SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY CIVIL GRAND JURY REPORT "SECOND LOOK - 2018-2019 SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY CIVIL GRAND JURY REPORT ON COLD CASES IN SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY: ON THE BACK BURNER" CASE # 0318

The City does not have record of receiving notification of this report from the Grand Jury, and only became aware of its obligation to respond on August 5, 2024. In accordance with Sections 933 and 933.05 of the California Penal Code, specific responses to all findings and recommendations contained in the report are to be submitted to the Presiding Judge of the San Joaquin County Superior Court within 90 days of receipt of the report. As such, the City of Stockton Police Department offers the following responses to the 2023-2024 Civil Grand Jury's second look into the 2018-2019 report titled "Cold Cases in San Joaquin County: On the Back Burner" Case # 0318.

The Stockton Police Department (SPD) recommends that the City of Stockton, and the Stockton City Council accept the 2023-24 San Joaquin County Civil Grand Jury Report titled "Second Look: Cold Cases in San Joaquin County: On the Back Burner" Case # 0318 and acknowledge Finding F1.0 contained within.

The City of Stockton Police Department offers the following responses to the Grand Jury recommendations. These responses will be presented to the Council for consideration and approval during its public meeting on August 20, 2024. If approved, the City Manager will submit SPD's responses to Case No. 0519 to the Grand Jury as part of the City's overall responses to the Grand Jury's full and final 2023-24 report.

Recommendations & Responses:

R1.0 By October 1, 2024, all Law Enforcement Agencies review and implement the recommendations from the 2018-2019 Civil Grand Jury Report "Cold Cases in San Joaquin County: On the Back Burner" Case #0318. (These recommendations can be found in the original Civil Grand Jury report and on pages 2 and 3 of this report).

CITY RESPONSE:

The Stockton Police Department acknowledges recommendation R1.0 issued by the 2023-24 Grand Jury, which also incorporates recommendations R1, R2, R5, R8, and R10 from the 2018-19 Grand Jury Report.

All recommendations and responses previously submitted are under review within the SPD, in collaboration with the County and other partner agencies. A follow-up response from the SPD will be provided to the Grand Jury in October of 2024, in compliance with 2023-24 recommendation R1.0.

R1.2 By October 1, 2024, the task force should be formed and implemented with the San Joaquin County Sheriff's office as the lead agency.

CITY RESPONSE:

The SPD will review and consider joining any new regional task force, within our available capacity and resources. The SPD believes this type of task force is most effectively used for those cases which cross jurisdictional boundaries.

Respectfully,

STANLEY MCFADDEN CHIEF OF POLICE