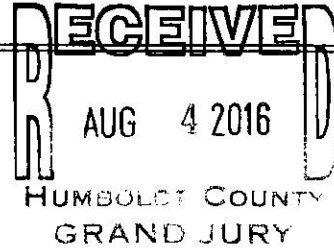




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Re: 2015-2016 Civil Grand Jury Report: Jails and Law Enforcement Facilities

On behalf of the Arcata Police Department, the City Council and the Police Chief provide the following responses to findings F1 and F11 as well as recommendations R1 and R11 of the 2015-2016 Civil Grand Jury report "Jails and Law Enforcement Facilities."

F1: Several County facilities are overwhelmed with stored paper files, boxes, and shelves containing paper records.

Respondent disagrees with this finding. The Arcata Police Department has no direct knowledge of the County facilities mentioned and is not in a position to agree or disagree with this finding. However, statutorily we are obligated to agree or disagree, wholly or in part.

F11: The Arcata Police Department has no Americans with Disabilities Act informational sign available next to the external phone indicating access assistance is available.

Respondent agrees with the finding.

R1: The Humboldt County Civil Grand Jury recommends that the County facilities, digitize records as a space saving, transparency, and a cost-saving measure. (F1)

Recommendation will not be implemented: The Arcata Police Department has no authority to digitize County records.

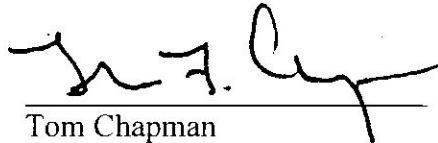
R11: The Humboldt County Civil Grand Jury recommends that the Arcata Police Department install an Americans with Disabilities Act accessibility sign next to the external phone. (F11)

Recommendation has not yet been implemented: A sign is in the process of being designed and ordered. Once the sign is received it will be promptly installed.

Respectfully submitted,



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